

Tell Me About Your Art!

Dear Second Grade Parents:

Today we considered

LINES FOR INTERIORS and A SERIES OF VIEWS.

Looking: We looked at a *Drawing* by M.C. Escher, and *City Lane* by Armin Landek and/or *the Five Orders of Architecture*. We looked for places where the artist used lines and details to describe what they saw, much like how writers use words.

Talking: We talked about the way the artist/architect used **exterior contour lines** to create the basic shape and **interior lines** to give us more information about what is seen. We talked about ways to observe and record information about interior spaces by keeping our eyes on the objects and spaces and trusting our eyes to tell us what we need to know to draw.

Making: We selected a specific interior classroom space to draw in our sketchbook. We used exterior contour lines and lines for interior **details**. Then on following days, we continued to change our **point of view** by moving throughout the classroom, and recorded a variety of viewpoints of the same space. We reflected on our sketches as a group by recalling and describing the details that we observed and recorded in sketches.

Art at Home

Together:

You could select one room in your home, and then each choose a different place to sit while you draw. Compare your drawings and the way you visually described what you saw.

Questions to ask:

What shapes did you create with exterior contour lines?
What kinds of lines did you use to describe the interior details of objects?

Recording exterior contour and interior details describes specific objects and spaces.