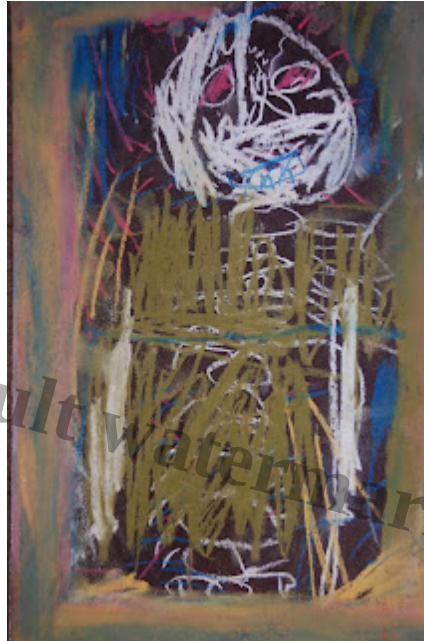


LA Private Elementary School Moms: What We LOVE About Our Kids™ Schools!

Description



My 2nd Grade Son's Willows School Art Project

“They don't miss a thing, this school really knows each child.”
— Jenny, John Thomas Dye

“Our family is happy with so many things at Wildwood School. The sense of community and understanding for all types of differences creates such a wonderful environment in which to learn and grow. The teachers and other staff are truly interested in understanding each child as an individual and strive to help them learn in a way that is meaningful to them. Questions are encouraged, differences in opinion are welcomed as a way to stimulate deeper discussion of a topic, and alternative answers are readily accepted. While it is sometimes difficult for everyone to see the benefit of a more progressive type of education, the collaborative approach of project based learning will help prepare our children to be successful in whatever path they choose. Teaching children how to think critically, work as a team, and present their ideas is what will set them apart as they begin college and later enter the workforce.”
—Amy, Wildwood Elementary School

“I love that the teachers have such great attitudes and greet the kids every morning with enthusiasm! I also love that the school uses humor. It has just the right mix of being focused, thoughtful and academic while fostering a sense of enthusiasm, joy and love. My kids amaze me not only with what they are learning, but the complexity of their understanding of the material.”
—Gretchen, The Willows Community School

“What I love most about Campbell Hall is its down-to-earth culture. There's an extremely strong sense of community, and I think that comes from the school's philosophy of focusing on the whole child, not just the academic

aspect. I like the notion that itâ€™s just as important to be a kind person as it is to be a smart person.â€•
-Lauren, Campbell Hall

â€œWhat I love about PS#1 is the fact that all the teachers know my kids, even though my kids have not had all of the teachers. I like the fact that there is a community among the students. When my son was in kindergarten he knew and played with 5th and 6th graders who adored him and took care of him. Now that he is in 3rd grade, he has friends who are in 1st grade and friends who are in 6th grade. I love that my naturally super organized daughter has the structure she needs to learn the way she learns best and the support she needs to stand up in front of the whole school, make announcements and be comfortable doing it. I love the fact that the kids who come from PS#1 know how to ask forâ€• and get guidance fromâ€•teachers, other adults and peers to help them learnâ€•.to me this the most valuable life skill ever!â€• I love PS#1 because it is truly a community of parents who are different, unique, open and caring.â€•
â€•Kim Hamer, PS#1 Elementary

â€œWhat I like most about Mirman is that it has very high, but not unreasonable, expectations in terms of academics and behavior. My child simply thrives in this environment.â€•
-Jenny Heitz, Mirman School

â€œI like St. James because itâ€™s diverse, the academics are good, and the kids are a little more innocent there as compared to the kids at some other schools.â€•
-Alison, St. James Episcopal School

â€œI love the fact that Crossroads Elementary School has the mantra, â€œIs it True, is it Kind, is it Necessary?â€• These words are evident in the childrenâ€™s attitudes towards others. The children are warm and welcoming, and I have yet to hear from my daughter (who is new to the fourth grade this year) of any type of social strife between the girls.â€•
â€•Carole, Crossroads Elementary School

â€œThe Willows Community School continues to amaze me with its integrated curriculum and the big picture approach to teaching. The art program is truly spectacular. Cathy the librarian, is always there to help my kids select books, give them ideas about what they can read next and instill in them a love of reading. The modern, urban campus is also one of my favorite things about the school.â€•
-Christina Simon, The Willows Community School

***Added on 3/23/11**

I love Brentwood School because it defies labels, and that seemed very rare to me as I evaluated the options. If youâ€™re looking for a nurturing, challenging, thoughtful and spirited community, Brentwood wonâ€™t let you down. For my children who are very different from one another, I love Brentwood because the teachers who have taught them both, have understood them and delivered unique, relevant and highly personal experiences for both, all on the same beautiful campus. In addition to the exceptional caliber of personnel, the selection of children to accompany my kids on this journey, has been superb. I guess I love Brentwood School because as I said, it defies labels, and attracts both staff and families which embrace the idea that sometimes making a difference has to be a foundation of the school, if it is to be a foundation of the character of its students.
-Adrienne, Brentwood Lower School

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