TCGIS Summer Art Challenge- August!

These challenges are designed to keep the creative part of your brain playing over the summer. They might be fun for a rainy day or a family outing. Some may require adult supervision or help. (Parents, feel free to modify the activities for younger students.) Your mission, if you choose to accept it, is to complete one, many, or all of the challenges listed below.

A different set of art challenges has been issued each month in the summer Elternbrief letters from TCGIS. A few challenges are more involved and are geared more towards our middle school students. Documentation is important- all challenges should be recorded with things such as a photograph, a computer print out or an actual artwork. Keep your completed art challenges in a folder, and bring your folder to Frau Lenburg the first week of school. All work will be returned, and all students who participate will receive a small prize. Everyone who completes 10 or more challenges will be entered into a drawing for a gift card from Blick Art Materials!

Have a creative summer!

--Frau Lenburg

August 2014 Art Challenges:

- Draw your backyard
- Draw something strange you saw today
- Draw some things that smell
- Draw some things that fly
- Draw what you see outside your window
- Draw a form of transportation
- Art Outing: Visit an art museum while on vacation or in the Twin Cities (The Walker, the Minneapolis Institute of Art, the Minnesota Museum of American Art...). Documentation possibilities: a photograph of you at the art museum, a postcard from the gift shop or a sketch you drew of a favorite artwork.
- Recycled Art: Find discarded objects around the house (old junk mail, pieces of wood scraps, random toys or old stickers you don't want anymore) and create a new inspiring collage or sculpture.
- Georges Seurat painted "The Seine Seen From La Grande Jatte" in the pointillist style using little dots of color. Make your own "dotty" painting!
- Watch the YouTube video called "The Art Assignment #4: Never Seen, Never Will-David Brooks" and tackle this project with a friend or family member, or by yourself. For further inspiration and examples, also watch "Never Seen, Never Will: Highlights 4." Documenting this challenge might involve photos, video, drawing or writing about your experience.