



Today your child participated in an Art Appreciation lesson!

Today we presented "Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte" by Georges Seurat. It is commonly known as "Sunday in the Park." Georges Seurat was born in Paris in 1859 and spent his lifetime studying color. He used a method of painting called "pointillism" in which dots of paint are used to create an image. If you look at his paintings up close, all you see are dots. But when you move back, your eyes form the dots into a picture. When two colors are right next to each other, your eye mixes them in a process called "optical mixing." "Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte" is a very large painting that is about 7 feet tall and 10 feet wide. It took Georges Seurat over two years to complete the painting and it contains over 3 million dots! You can check out his most famous painting in person at the Art Institute of Chicago!

After we discussed Georges Seurat and "Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte," we used Q-tips to paint a picture of what we like to do on a beautiful Sunday afternoon. We had fun, and we hope the students did too!

Thank you,