

TGIF

Opening Week @ Big Picture



Ken-Ton Big Picture began its 8th year with a week full of fun activities, new faces and excitement! We welcomed 22 new students to the Program this September including 15 new 8th graders! We are so excited to start the year with so many students in the Program!

We also welcomed two new Advisors to the Program this year. We are thrilled to have Jennifer MacDonald join us as our 001 Advisor and Science teacher. Jen comes to us with over 20 years of teaching experience and a passion for working with students to make learning engaging and fun! We are also elated to have Matthew LaVigne choose to work with us as one of

Students worked on coloring ceramic tiles that will be put together as a collage. This work was inspired by the Ken-Ton Art Department mural proudly displayed at Oishei Children's Hospital.

our new Internship Coordinators and Social Studies teacher. Matt has been teaching for over 5 years and brings his gift of being a life-long learner to the Program to share with the students.

We are also excited that we have some new part-time teachers working with us - Joel Maerten comes to us as our Technology teacher, Mary Rish is our new Librarian, James Rustowicz is our new Computers teacher, Mary Taravella is our Spanish teacher, and Kim Zuccari is our new Consultant Teacher! It is so wonderful to have all of these dedicated professionals surround and support our students to help them achieve all of their goals.

We look forward to a great year and want you to be a part of it all! Feel free to contact us at school at (716) 874-8403 anytime you need one of us. Also, visit our website for information about the Program anytime at www.ktufsd.org/bp.



We learn best when we care about what we are doing, when we have choices. We learn best when the work has meaning to us, when it matters. We learn best when we are using our hands and our minds. We learn best when the work we are doing is real and relevant.

**-DENNIS LITTKY
BIG PICTURE LEARNING**

