

A visit from a potter

How lucky students were recently to have Craig, parent of Eva (1/2C) bring along his pottery wheel to some art classes. Craig shared his skills, demonstrated throwing on the wheel and some students were able to have a go.

In addition students did some handbuilding to construct some 'pinch' pots. Thank you to Gilmore College for firing these pots in their kiln.

Asha from grade 5 has provided her thoughts below.

'I've seen them in movies and TV shows but never in real life. But now, not only have I seen one, I've actually used one. I'm talking about a pottery wheel. It feels so smooth, so weird, so amazing. You should try it for yourself. A Kingsville dad came to the art room and taught us how to use a pottery wheel. The main thing you need to have and use is concentration. You use your hands to carefully shape your pot into shape. The other thing we did was pushing clay into a plastic bowl which is going to be cooked in a special oven. I have no choice but to say that it was one of the best experiences I've ever had and I really want to do it again!'

by Asha, 5B

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