

the Academy News

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Come visit us in the Academy! It is full of aluminum art. The students did an amazing job of creating unusual and interesting sculptures. While students are "playing" with materials such as a main group metal, aluminum, or a material made with a metalloid, the silicon in silly putty, they are learning about the properties of these materials.

There are also some outstanding written assignments from students at various grade levels on the bulletin board outside of the Academy door. These are being showcased to motivate students to take pride in their work, give an opportunity for others to learn from what we are doing, and inspire Academy students to always do their best. If you have a chance to read them and you know the student who wrote the piece, please take some time to encourage them.



I am working on getting more video footage uploaded and linked to the Academy website. Lately I've put on a video on our electrolysis of water experiment and a video from last year's LEGO robotics unit. I hope you enjoy these videos with your children. They are all on the Academy website at www.cogitating.org.

In November the students in the Academy will be hosting a chemistry show for their school. Lena students will present this on Monday, November 21st from 1:10-2:00 and West Park students will present this on Tuesday, November 22nd from 12:30-1:15. Please join us as we celebrate chemistry!

Look forward to information on our up-coming competitions in the November newsletter.

