HISTORICAL, THEORETICAL, PRACTICAL AND METHODICAL ASPECTS OF TEACHING VISUAL ARTS

PAPERCRAFT – MASTERPIECES FROM PAPER

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Paper plastic at the present stage of development of decorative art is becoming more and more popular. Because of its accessibility and amazing properties, paper plastic is popular with both adults and children. The main and most important property in creating paper products is "shape memorization". Thanks to this, you can get interesting and original products. And the ability to perform bending, twisting and cutting allows you to open up spaces for creative thinking when creating unique products.

Working with paper allows you to combine various techniques, and the combination of techniques makes it possible to create new ones and develop existing ones such as: modular paper folding, quilling, papier-mache, papercraft, origami, etc.

To study and analyze the possibilities of transformation of forms when folding paper, to consider the creative activities of children from 6 to 8 years.

Material and methods. The research material was children's works made of paper, paper sculptures of masters. Research methods: observation, comparison, descriptive.

Findings and their discussion. Amazing stories and works of masters in the papercraft technique inspired the use of paper folding in working with children. In the classroom at the early learning center "Yula" with the children studied the different techniques of paper folding. The most interesting was modular folding and papercraft. The students enjoyed using various paper transformation techniques. Papercraft can be called "living paper".

Papercraft (eng. Craft paper) – creation of geometric shapes, animals or objects from paper or cardboard.

Performing creative work, it is necessary to tell students the rules by which folding is performed, and in the future, gluing of models. Let's conditionally divide at the stage:

Stage 1 – cutting out parts. There are three types of lines according to which blanks are cut. Solid line-cut off part of the paper with scissors. Dotted line-on models without textures, it bends inwards, and with textures-outwards. The dash–dotted – output without textures, with textures inside.

Stage 2 – preparation of bends. To bend the part in the correct position, you must first go through all the lines of the "dots". Bend the workpiece along the dotted lines, then additionally press down with a ruler. There is no need to be afraid to bend strongly, when gluing everything will "fall" into place.

In the Vitebsk Center for the Development of Children "Yula", widely uses the method of paper plastics to improve fine motor skills of the hands, precise finger movements. It promotes the development of tactile sensations, warmth, and the development of creative thinking in children.

The use of colored paper makes products brighter, more recognizable and beautiful. Such products are used to decorate the office for thematic classes. For example, making a gnome or a bear using the papercraft technique amazed guests, parents and the children themselves (Figure 1).

Children aged 6-8 years old cope quite well with simple ready-made sweeps, and the teacher's task is to correctly identify the lines and number the details. This technique can be used for children from 6 years old and is constantly being improved. In an older age, it is possible to create large volumetric products, the so-called paper sculptures.



Figure 1. Works of children of the center "Yula"

Conclusion. The imagination and creativity in working with paper can be shown very well due to the properties of paper. The products are effective and interesting. The use of paper plastic in working with children contributes to the development of children. Allows you to grow them with a developed artistic and aesthetic taste.

^{1.} Papercraft, polygonal shapes with your own hands! [[Electronic resource], access Mode: https://pikabu.ru/story/paperkraft _poligonalnyie_figuri_svoimi_rukami_5593304. Access date: 01.11.2020

^{2.} How to assemble a papercraft sweep: manual for dummies. [Electronic resource], access Mode: https://mypapercraft.ru/kak-sobirat-paperkraft-razvertki-posobie-dlja-chajnikov/. Access date: 31.10.2020