## **All About Feathers**

What makes a bird a bird? Feathers, of course! Learning about this distinctive body feature is a key element of our bird study. First Graders have a chance to observe, feel and read about many different types of feathers. Sometimes we even find them on our birdwatching walks.....but we never pick them up! The Bird Migratory Act of 1918 protects birds from being hunted for their feathers and prohibits collecting any feathers of migratory birds from the wild. Luckily we have a few feathers (for educational purposes) and students took a close look with hands lenses and used sharpie and colored pencils to create a portrait of a feather.















