



# Noticias de la Semana

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grado

## FYI...

- Feb. 9, 11 and 16<sup>th</sup> - Conferences
- Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - No School (President's Day)
- Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> - 100<sup>th</sup> day/Valentine's Fiesta and Late start (2 hours).
- Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> - PTO Meeting, 7pm
- Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> - Family Night

If you would like to meet with Sr. Ruiz for conferences, he will be available in the gym on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-6:30.

Sr. Gonzalez will be in the music room on all conference days from 4-7.

## Reading/Writing

- The books of the week continue to get more advanced. Please make sure your child is practicing every night so that they don't fall behind. I am seeing a lot of growth in fluency, it's very exciting!!!
- The 1<sup>st</sup> graders are writing very well. They are thinking about what they want to write before starting their work, and forming beautiful letters! Keep up the excellent work! We are very proud of the effort the kids are putting forth at school☺

### Ask a First Grader:

- What does it mean to be open-minded (de mentalidad abierta)?
- What does "principled" (integro) mean?
- What did you learn about inventions?
- Are you nice to *all* other kids at school?

## Math

This week we...

- Were introduced to the addition of 2-digit numbers
- Practiced writing and solving *more than* and *less than* number stories
- Learned about number stories that involve finding differences
- Practiced making up and solving a variety of number stories involving relations, addition and subtraction

Next week we will...

- Continue adding numbers (with dice)
- Introduce the turn-around rule for addition
- Practice some easily mastered addition facts
- Introduce the "What's My Rule?" routine.

The week after next, we will complete another progress check. More details next week☺

## IB/PYP

- The profiles we are studying this month are: **open-minded (mentalidad abierta)** and **principled (integro)**.
- Next week inquiry expert John Barell will be visiting ISLA. He will be teaching an inquiry lesson in each grade level. In our class he will "kick-off" our new unit "A bailar, amiguitos!" (Let's Dance, Friends!). We are very lucky to have him. Thanks to the PTO for funding this endeavor! Visit [www.morecuriousminds.com](http://www.morecuriousminds.com) for more information on inquiry and John Barell.
- Some issues have arisen recently regarding kids being kind to one another. Please inquire with your family on the following:
  - How does it feel when someone tells you that you can't play with them? Would you want someone to feel that way?
  - What is a good friend? Do you have to be friends with everybody?
  - How do you want other kids to treat you? How do you want to treat other kids?
  - If my friends are being mean to another person, what should I do?