



# PARENT NEWSLETTER

MARCH 12, 2009

¡Hola a todos! We are getting close to the end of our first IB unit, and therefore, have some exciting projects coming up. Students will be making their own brochures about water conservation and will also design their own t-shirts with a message about conservation. In order to do this project, each student will need to bring in a t-shirt that they will design and decorate, and wear on our closing celebration on March 20<sup>th</sup>. **Please send a plain t-shirt (no logos or text, in your child's size) to school by March 18<sup>th</sup>.** If you have any questions about this project, please let me know.

In addition, students will take their second science test, based on the experiments we have been doing about the various forms of water (solid, liquid, gas) and how water changes (i.e. through evaporation, condensation [water cycle], freezing, melting, etc.). We will complete a study guide together this Friday, as we did on the human body, and students will then take the test next week. In this Thursday's folder is another Home/School Connection sheet from our science materials. This is **not** homework, but rather explains extension activities that can be done at home, to further support students' learning and understanding of the important science concepts.

In math, we are studying decimals and fractions, and will have our unit 5 test tomorrow. Students should look through their math journal to study and complete unfinished pages in unit 5.

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## Reminders:

Please send a plain t-shirt (in your child's size) to school by March 18<sup>th</sup>, for our project.

Scholastic order forms are due by **Friday, March 20**. This is a great opportunity to expand your Spanish library, by taking a look at the Club Leo books! Below are some books I've suggested:

\***Club Leo:** #25, 45, 8, 29, 33, 50, 34, 12, 31 \***Kids' Picks:** #12, 33, 76, 53, 75, 20, 26, 39, 47, 7, 65, 4, 59, 56

\***Star-Spangled History:** (We will study ancient civilizations in our next IB unit, and there are some great resources in this order form, to explore at home or donate!) #32, 63, 74, 2, 37, 43, 82, 9, 1, 69, 11, 35

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## Upcoming Events:

**March 17:** McDonald's Night

**March 26-27:** NO SCHOOL (Conference Comp Days)