



# FAMILY NEWSLETTER

APRIL 29, 2010

¡Hola a todos! We finished our Human Body Unit with some great presentations from students! I also received some fabulous information from a parent about action steps her child has taken, as a result of studying the human body and water. Please let me know what action steps you have noticed in your children! *Ask a third grader: What did you enjoy most, during the Human Body Unit? What questions do you still have? How could you find answers to those questions?*

## **Important Lunch Note**

This Friday, April 30, due to a church fundraiser, ISLA is unable to provide any lunch service. Please pack a bag lunch for your student that includes a beverage. We apologize for this inconvenience.

## **“Tell Us a Story”**

We are beginning our next IB Unit, “Tell Us a Story” which will focus on types of folklore. Students will compare and contrast fairy tales, fables, and myths, as well as compare classic stories told from different cultures (ex: Cinderella stories around the world). We will examine what folklore stories reflect about different cultures, beliefs and social expectations. I am excited to begin this unit with students and explore what stories can tell us about our own and other cultures! We will perform folklore plays later in May, so watch for a date in upcoming newsletters!

## **Math**

We continue to work on fractions in math. Students are learning about types of fractions, equivalent fractions, and comparing fractions. **We will have our Unit 8 test next Tuesday, May 4.** Students should complete **pages 191-198** in their math journal.

## **Señora Donaldson**

Our class has been meeting and working with Señora Donaldson, our new social worker. We are discussing problems of bullying in the school and how we can combat this problem. We have developed a list of class rules, which include some of the following rules/sayings: “Peace,” “Think before you sink,” “Treat others how you want to be treated,” “Bubble B,” and being respectful, honest and responsible, among others. Ask your child what these rules and sayings mean in our class!

**(over for School Spirit Fridays information)**

### **School Spirit Fridays**

During these last weeks of school, ISLA students will be working towards earning School Spirit Fridays. **Themes are: No Uniform Day (May 7), Crazy Hair/Hat Day (May 14), 100-Years-Old Day (May 21), Pajama Day (May 28), No Uniform Day (June 4).** Students and families will be notified a week prior, whether we reached our goal for that designated Friday. **Third graders did NOT earn SSF on May 7.** Let's try for the 14<sup>th</sup>!

### **Upcoming Events**

**May 8: Fiesta de Primavera**

**May 11: Board Meeting – 6:30pm**

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