



Noticias de la Semana

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1er
grado

FYI...

- April 6th-10th- Spring Break
- April 13th - PTO Meeting, 7pm
- April 21st - McDonald's Night, 4-7

I am in the process of planning a fieldtrip for the 1st graders. If you would be interested in chaperoning please let me know what days of the week you would be able to attend. Most places require *at least* 1 adult to every 10 kids, but it would be great to have more!

IB/PYP

We wrapped up our unit on *Technology* with the first graders inventing things in groups. Be sure to ask them what they invented!

After break we will begin our new unit of inquiry: *Insects*. The unit will focus on the life cycles of various insects. The class will get to observe mealworms, butterflies and several other creatures as they change. The insects will be cared for in our classroom, yikes! ☺

Math

This week we...

- Explored pattern blocks to develop readiness for fractions.
- Continued to work on addition facts.
- Played "what's my rule?"
- Learned about quarters.
- Introduced digital clocks

After break we will...

- Introduce the math reference book.
- Learn about data landmarks (range and middle value).
- Complete the progress check for Unit 6.

Also in First Grade...

- This week we talked and wrote about what it means to be good communicators.
- We read a book that demonstrated effective ways to communicate. The book used dark colors and empty space to convey sadness. We talked about strategies to communicate our feelings in positive ways.
- The Friday after we return from break will be a sharing day. Your child may bring something to school that demonstrates that they are communicators. Things that may be include are: art, stories, etc. I'm sure they'll think of some great examples and as always, I'm open to creativity☺
- **REMEMBER to sign up for Summer Camp!** It will be a FUN opportunity for your child to keep up on his/her Spanish over vacation.

Ask a First Grader:

- What can you do to be a better communicator?
- In what ways are you a good communicator?
- What sounds do these syllables make?
 - Gue (gay)
 - Güe (gway)

Palabras de la Pared

dormir (to sleep)

reir (to laugh)

pasar (to pass the time)

dar (to give)

porque (because)