



PARENT NEWSLETTER

APRIL 30, 2009

¡Hola a todos! We have completed all of the MCA tests for third grade! Students did a great job focusing on the test and being respectful of their fellow classmates who were still working - great job Third Graders! We will not receive the results of these tests until this summer.

April Book Reports were due today (the last day of the month), which we have been talking about in class over the last week. Several students turned in fabulous projects, however, many students seemed to forget to do them this month. If your child has not completed this project, please help him/her remember to bring it by Monday. The next book report will be due on May 29 (a Friday), so students should continue reading throughout the month and keep the report in mind. They can turn it in anytime before the end of the month, if it is ready. Students need to choose a different project each month, and should not repeat the same project, so as to practice different skills and activities. Please let me know if you have questions about the project.

We are continuing our inquiry into ancient civilizations, as well as the solar system, both of which seem to be fascinating topics for students. If you have anything you would like to share with the class on these topics, either by sending an artifact or visiting our class, please let me know!

We are one handful away from filling our marble jar in class! We have been working hard for many weeks to fill this for good behavior and work toward a class prize. We have decided that the prize this time will be to get a class fish and have a pajama day. Since we only have one handful left, we will likely have our celebration early next week, so watch for an update!

The Festival of Nations is taking place this weekend from May 1st-3rd at the St. Paul River Center. This is an annual event aimed at celebrating cultures through food, music and dance. **Our own Sr. Gonzalez will be playing Saturday May 2 at 1:00 PM and Sunday May 3 at 12:00, 1:30 & 3:00 PM.** Stop by to hear him play and check out all of the other fabulous groups, displays and foods!

Also, every Friday in May will be a School Spirit Day, with a theme chosen by a different grade level. The dates and themes are enclosed in the Thursday envelope on a separate paper.

Reminders:

Remember to sign up for ISLA summer camp!

Upcoming Events:

May 2: Fiesta de la Primavera (for parents and ISLA staff)

May 14: Spring Music Program at 7:00pm