



# Noticias de la Semana

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## FYI...

- April 22<sup>nd</sup> - Earth Day
- April 23<sup>th</sup> - día del Libro (Book Day)
- April 27<sup>th</sup> - McDonald's Night, 4-7
- April 29<sup>th</sup> - Spring Music Program

\*\*\*On Friday April 30<sup>th</sup> Faith Church will be holding a fundraiser at the church during the lunch hours. Due to this event, **we are unable to provide any lunch service.** Please pack a bag lunch for your student that includes a beverage because milk will not be available for purchase\*\*\*

## IB/PYP

This week we began our new unit of inquiry: *Un mundo pequeñito (A Small World)*. 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!



This week we expressed our wonderings about various insects and cut out pictures of insects from magazines. Thank you to the Brendalen family for donating an insect habitat to the class!

## Math

This week we...

- Explored 3-D figures.
- Completed the Unit 7 Assessment
- Began Unit 8: Mental Arithmetic, Money, and Fractions

Next week we will...

- Introduce dollars
- Extend place-value concepts to hundreds
- Practice solving number stories that involve addition and subtraction
- Learn about making change.

## Also in First Grade...

- This week we talked and wrote about what it means to be good communicators.
- We will read books that demonstrate effective ways to communicate. We will talk about strategies to communicate our feelings in positive ways.
- What can you do at home to reinforce/practice being good communicators?
- We will be teaching the class about sign language as a means of communication.
- **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.
- The attitude for the month of April is "integrity." What does that mean???

## 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)

**pasear** (to pass the time)

**dar** (to give)

**porque** (because)