

Noticias de Segundo Grado
2 de abril de 2009



Mapping Unit:

Thank you to all who sent out a request for postcards. We have now received postcards from all continents! Yes, we have even received an electronic postcard from someone working in Antarctica (Thank you, Laura Hillman for that)! The students wrote a list of questions they had about Antarctica and we sent an email to our contact there. Hopefully we get a reply soon. We are so thrilled to be adding to our collection and marking on the map each place from which we have received mail! It has been fun to learn all about new places!

Video Conference with ATID in Mexico City:

On Wednesday we watched the 3rd grade students from ATID School in Mexico City (An IB World School) give proposals on which animals they think should be saved from extinction. We watched live as they presented and then our students rated each presentation. Our students were also on a web cam so that the students at ATID could see what we look like. Our students did a wonderful job of listening and making lists of vocabulary words they heard! We hope to set up a time soon where the students can do a secure chat online in order to practice their Spanish and their typing, while getting to know these students better.

Amantes de Ciencia at the Science Museum:

Saturday, April 25, 2009, 1-4 p.m.

Amantes de la Ciencia (Lovers of Science) introduces visitors to science and education professionals from the Twin Cities' Latino/a and Hispanic communities. Last year's activities included making milagritos, building geodetic domes out of marshmallows and toothpicks, and learning about human DNA. Come see what exciting science activities and demonstrations are happening this year at the Science Museum of Minnesota's Amantes de la Ciencia. Free with Science Museum admission. Website: <http://www.smm.org/sciencefusion/amantes/>

Websites:

Here are some good websites for Spanish practice:

<http://www.kokone.com.mx/> Tons of vocabulary builders in Spanish--Mexican website--mostly for young kids

http://elbalero.gob.mx/index_esp.html México para niños

<http://www.zoomadrid.com> Zoo de Madrid

<http://www.uebersetzung.at/twister/es.htm> Tongue twisters in Spanish

<http://www.emporia.edu/biosci/span/voc5bdrl.htm> Verb drills for older kids

Coming Up:

- April 6th-10th – Spring Break – Enjoy!
- April 13th – PTO Meeting
- April 21st – McDonalds Night