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Important dates to remember:

May 18th -McDonald's Night, 4-7pm

May 20th- Field trip to the Underwater World.

May 21st- Kindergarten Music concert at 2:30 PM

May 25th - 2 hours Late Start and PTO meeting, 7pm (does not affect Kinder PM)

MUCHAS GRACIAS!! :))

Teacher Appreciation Week

Thank you to all of our wonderful ISLA families for all you did for the staff during Teacher Appreciation Week. We are all thankful and proud to be a part of this school!

PTO Fiesta

Thank you so much to all the parents that were able to come to the Spring Fiesta. We had a really good time and our PTO was able to gather more funds to bring more TA's next year.

Kindergarten Picnic

Thank you to Lisa Firth and Danielle Carr for all the hard work they put into organizing the Kindergarten Picnic. Srta. Giovanna shared with me that she was overwhelmed with all the love and support she has received from all the K-parents. I feel the same! I shed a couple of tears, too when we read the nice comments the families said about us.

I love my classroom picture! I am very fortunate to have families like you in my classroom.

Please continue helping the children to read their books in a bag daily. They need to read 23 to have a pajama party on June 2nd.

They are also working on a movie for the same day through great behavior and participation!

Queridas familias

We are having a great time with our animal unit ! Last week we welcomed our new members of the classroom (meal worms, crawlers, ants and mini spiders)

I was amazed to see how much information the children remembered from past units. One of our new friends is called "El gusano" meal worm. All the children said : " Parece un gusano de seda", (it looks like a silk worm). They were clearly transferring knowledge from our textile unit! Some of our "audaces" students were not so sure about holding our slimy friends :) but after learning about these amazing creatures for few minutes everyone was up to the challenge. One of the parents shared that her daughter even wanted to have some worms in her room! Something her brother was not too excited about! :)

The children also had the opportunity to complete their animal bingo cards and we are ready to play! Our guiding questions also took us to Chile to speak about Penguins and wonder why they can't fly but they are excellent swimmers! All the kindergarteners agreed that the penguins are "oviparous".

We also checked on our "mamíferos" friends, the polar bears and we settled the discussion about bears only living in the north pole not in the south pole. We took an imaginary trip to Chile to check on the penguins, and some countries in Africa and Asia where we found the elephants and we continued inquiring about the differences between their ears. We also had the chance to talk about how important it is to take care of them. A few comments were made about some poachers hunting elephants and taking their horns. The children knew that was very wrong and they said that it was important to take care and respect all the animals.

This coming week we will be working on fish and we will have a small aquarium visiting us from the other Kinder classroom. All in preparation for the field trip to Underwater World. We will also practice our instruments, songs and readings for the upcoming concert on Friday the 21st of May. The month is flying by!

Tabla curricular de la clase de Kinder a traves de IB

Lenguaje:

Books:

- Un beso en mi mano/The kissing hand by Audrey Penn.
- TPRS Story telling through animals (improve fluency)
- Rhyming through songs.
- Inquiry journal and letter of the day.

Matemáticas:

- Time telling
- Number recognition
- Estimation
- Addition
- Ones/tenths/hundredths

Ciencias Naturales

Books:

Los animals (Foss Unit)
Mamíferos y oviparos
Meal worms and crawlers

Ciencias Sociales

Animals in the world: Where do they live?