
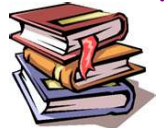





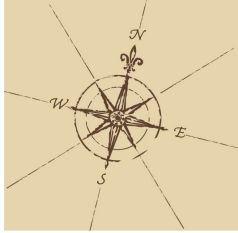





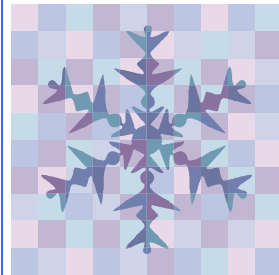


News from Srta. Helgerson

January 11 – January 15, 2010

Monday 1/11	Tuesday 12/15	Wednesday 12/16	Thursday 12/17	Friday 12/18
<p>PE</p>  <p>And Library</p>   <p>Story: <i>La paciencia del emperador</i></p>  <p>Wrap up Unit 5 in math.</p>	<p>Music</p>  <p>Fluency slips due for <i>La fresca de Ali</i></p> <p>Math: Starting Unit 6 - Addition of 3 or more numbers. Continued practice of basic facts will help your child be successful.</p> 	<p>Music</p>  <p>IB Unit of Inquiry: <i>Mapamania</i></p>  <p>Central Idea: Weather affects people's lives and the environment.</p> <p>IB Concepts: Function: how are maps and diagrams used? Perspective: What are the different ways we can look at maps? How might people from different places view the world differently?</p>	<p>PE</p>  <p>And Art</p>  <p>Writing: Author's Purpose, Idea</p>  <p>Grammar: Synonyms</p> 	<p>Movement</p>  <p>Spelling Tests</p> <p>Homework packet due and the next one goes home.</p> <p>**Fluency slips and book will go home today. Return by next Tuesday!</p> 

IB Learner Profile for December: **Caring:** caring learners show empathy, compassion and respect. They strive to make a positive difference to the lives of others and to the environment. "*Solidarios*"

--Looking Ahead--

January 18 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day: No school

January 19 – Late Start

QUESTIONS? I will send a weekly note home to let you know what we are doing in school. You can also find it on the website - 2nd Grade- Helgerson. I can be reached by phone at 952.746.6020 ext. 209
Email at ehelgerson@islacad.org. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions/comments/concerns!

Bom dia, pais,

It's great to be back at ISLA! I love seeing each student's smiling face every day. Thank you for all that you do. I can tell that students had a fun, relaxing break that was also intellectually stimulating.

Our shape museum is a thing of beauty. We have it organized into different galleries for spheres, rectangular prisms, cylinders, and more. We have quite a few examples of basic three dimensional shapes, but if you and your child happen across something particularly interesting, please send it in. Today in our exploration of polygons we went off the beaten path and created an enormous polygon with many sides. This was student initiated in an innovative interpretation of one of the directions and many students collaborated to make it happen. It was impressive and led to a wonderful discussion about the nature of polygons. This is just one example of the joy of the classroom that we share every day.

Outdoor clothes: Please make sure that your child has outdoor clothes every day, even if it looks unlikely that we'll go outside. You never know if it will warm up in time for recess. It's better to be prepared.

Food drive: I am very impressed by how much food we raised as a class and as a school. We are all very fortunate and this was a nice way to give back to the community. A big thank you to Carmen Higueros for organizing the drive.

Supplies: We're about halfway through the year and a number of students are starting to run out of basic supplies such as pencils and paper. Please ask your student if they are in need of more supplies.

Chairs: Using an exercise ball in place of the normal classroom chair is always open as an option. If you and your child decide that it would be a good option, you can bring it in any time. Please do make sure that it is at a sitting height for your child so that they will be able to work comfortably at their desk.

Thank you so much for your support. Let me know if there's anything I can do to help you.

Saludos cordiales,

Emily Helgerson

