

# News from Srta. Helgerson

## November 2 –November 6, 2009

Monday 11/2	Tuesday 11/3	Wednesday 11/4	Thursday 11/5	Friday 11/6
<b>PE</b>  <b>And Library</b>  <b>Story:</b> <i>El pastel de Erizo</i> <b>Genre:</b> Realistic fiction  <b>Writing:</b> Personal narrative 	<b>Music</b>  <b>Fluency slips due for <i>El Sr. Putter y Tabby vuelan el avión</i></b>  <b>Math: Unit 2 - Addition and Subtraction Facts. Progress Check Today.</b>	<b>Music</b>  <b>Math: Begin Unit 3 - Place Value, Money, and Time</b> <b>IB Unit of Inquiry: Air and Weather</b>  <b>Central Idea:</b> Weather affects people's lives and the environment. <b>IB Concepts:</b> Causation and Connection This is our last week in our weather unit. We will be moving on to Mapamania next week!	<b>PE</b>  <b>Grammar:</b> Imperative sentences and exclamations  <b>Vocabulary:</b> Grumosa (lumpy), rebanada (slice), hornear (bake), receta (recipe), mantequilla (butter), tazón (bowl).	<b>Movement</b>  <b>Spelling Tests</b> <b>Homework packet due and the next one goes home.</b> <b>**Fluency slips and book will go home today. Return by next Tuesday!</b> <b>PTO Family Night!</b> <b>Dia de los muertos</b> 

IB Learner Profile for October: **Risk Takers** approach unfamiliar situations and uncertainty with courage and forethought. They explore new roles, ideas and strategies. "Audaces"

--Looking Ahead--

November 6 - PTO family night

November 10 - ISLA Board Meeting

**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](mailto:ehelgerson@islacad.org). Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions/comments/concerns!

!Hola padres!

We had a very exciting week this week! We took the NWEA MAP tests on computers on Tuesday and Wednesday, which was a lot of fun for the kids. We also took a very informative field trip to the Brooklyn Park recycling center on Wednesday. It was stinky but we learned a lot of interesting information about the impact of recycling. We do five good things when we recycle: we produce less waste, we save natural resources, we create jobs in Minnesota, we save energy, and we save money. We got to talk about some very big numbers!

On the point of recycling, I wanted to let you know that if you have recyclable products at your home that the recycling truck won't take (such as number 5 plastic and batteries), you can bring them in to school and one of the ISLA teachers will take them in. If you have any questions about recycling, please send them with your child to school. We can continue the discussion about recycling all year.

I will be sending information home next week about an opportunity to learn about different places in the world. If you know someone that is going out of town, please have them think about sending a postcard to our class. This is just a teaser to get you thinking.

### **Reminders:**

**Halloween:** The party is tomorrow, October 30. If you don't want your child to participate, please let me know. Your child may come in costume as long as it is based on a storybook character. The character should be one that originated in a book, not a movie or comic book that was made into a book later, please. The costume doesn't need to be elaborate. Brown pants and a green shirt and you could be The Giving Tree. A nametag that says the intended character's name could be helpful. The other options for the day are to wear orange, black, and/or purple or to wear the school uniform. Thank you.

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

Saludos cordiales,

Emily Helgerson

