



Noticias Semanales de Kinder

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Lectura / Reading ~



- It's exciting to see the class decoding words a little faster now when we practice our sight words before reading our stories!
- A packet of these same High Frequency words was sent home Friday this week. Please continue to practice them either on the page or as flash cards. It really does make a difference in students' fluency and their ability to read a complete sentence and comprehend it a little better. Remember, it's not so important that students understand what each word means right now; the goal is to read the words "on sight" instead of having to decode them. The meaning will come later as students see them used in different contexts in spoken and written language.



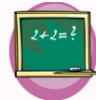
Recuerdan / Remember ~

- **Report cards** for 2nd Trimester will be coming home with your child on **Wednesday, March 25th**.
- Thank you for checking your child's daily folder and looking at the items that need to be taken out. I know it may be empty some days, but the practice of taking folders home and returning them to my in-basket begins the process of morning routines and student responsibility.
- Please make an effort to not send Pokemon or Star Wars trading cards to school with students. Although they may seem harmless on the surface, they can cause problems as they can get misplaced or stolen, and their true owner becomes hard to find. They also can cause distractions from our daily routines as students become more concerned with looking at them and talking about them than following directions or going places we need to be. Thank you for your help in this matter. ☺



Arte / Art

- As part of our IB curriculum goals, students have been working very hard this week on their autoretratos (self-portraits), in the style of Frida Kahlo. They painted their own head and shoulders with tempera paints, then decorated the surroundings with items that they like. The self-portraits are part of our All About Me I.B. unit. They all turned out great!



Matemáticas / Math

- We created two cool number charts Thursday that use die-cut hands we decorated as counters to show how we count by fives to fifty in Spanish. The charts turned out great!
- We also played a counting by fives game in our circle and in groups of three students, to get more practice with this skill. We even colored a hundreds chart with triangles to show which numbers count by fives and colored the whole box to show the numbers that count by tens.