



Attributes of the learner profile are

Integrity & Open-minded

Attitudes are respect, appreciation, & tolerance

Dear Fourth Grade Families,

1. IB Central Idea – Currency is an organized system of exchange in the world.

– Inquiry Question of the Week

How do I ask questions? Last Friday John Barell visited our classroom and asked the students a lot of questions about systems and our business. He specializes in prompting students to inquire and to think about the answers. As a result of this I have added some statements to our wonder wall in our classroom that came from his book *Why Are School Buses Always Yellow?* I would like to share that with you so you can also use them at home. Have fun with this and ask your child, “I wonder what you learned today?”

Here are the phrases we are practicing at school that you can use with your child.

There's a part I wanted to know... Hay un parte que queria preguntar...

I'm trying to figure out... Estoy tratando de entender...

This is what I don't get... Eso es lo que no entiendo...

I thought it was... Pensé que fue/era/había sido...

I wonder ... Me pregunto...

Maybe... Tal vez...

Perhaps... Quizas ...

2. Fashion Show on Family Night Feb. 26th

The 4th grade has been practicing for the fabulous fashion show for Family Night on Feb. 26th. Sra. Tejada has done a great job organizing and working with the class for this event. Please join us at 6:00pm to see some super models!

3. Student Led Conferences

I would like to thank all the students and parents for coming to the Student Led Conferences. The students have been working hard and making great progress. Please remember to fill out the reflection sheet from conference night and return it to school. Any feed back regarding conferences would be greatly appreciated. Thanks!

4. Math Triangles

Students need to practice their math factors (multiplication and division) every night for 5 minutes. I am also giving them time first thing in the morning when they come to school to practice as well. We will be starting double digit multiplication and long division next week.

5. Ordway and Minneapolis Public Library Fieldtrip

Our field trip today was quite a success. The DanceBrazil performance was very exciting and exposed the students to a new form of art, culture and language. Afterwards, we visited Rice Park and took a break before going to the library. The

class had a great opportunity to tour the Minneapolis Public Library and see all the different forms of resources available to them such as magazines, DVDs, microfilms, maps, pictures, computers, books in Braille and other languages, government documents and much more. It is a great place to bring your family and enjoy the beautiful world of literature.

6. La Reina y El Rey

The new royalty of the week is Shannon Lundin as the queen and Pierce Hoagland as the king. Congratulations!

7. Up Coming Events

Feb. 23rd is PTO meeting at 7pm. Feb. 26th is PTO Family Night. March 9th is ISLA Board Meeting. March 16th is McDonald's Night. March 18th-19th there is no school. March 23rd is PTO Meeting. March 25th report cards are sent home. March 29th – April 2nd is Spring Break.

*The best teachers do two things:
They set high standards and they connect learning to life.*