



Attribute of the learner profile is: Reflective

Attitude is: Commitment

Dear Fourth Grade Families,

IB Central Idea – Structures of Life

We are now investing structures of life. This IB unit focuses on the rights and responsibilities to share finite resources with other people and with other living things while at the same time observing its community and the relationship within and between others. We have started to investigate seeds and its properties. Is a tomato a fruit or a vegetable? How do you know? Ask your child to find out the answer.

1. Friday Dress up Days

Last week the students didn't earn enough points to have a non-uniform day tomorrow, May 21st, so students will wear their regular uniform. We are just 5 points away from earning the next non-uniform which is dressing up as a crayon. Student may wear clothes of the color of their choice. If we earn the next dress up day it will be on Thursday, May 27th instead of Friday, May 28th because we will be on a class field trip so the students should wear their "Se habla español" t-shirts instead.

2. Class Fieldtrip Friday May 28th

We will have a class fieldtrip on Friday, May 28th for the entire day. Students must bring a beverage, a bag lunch and wear their "Se habla español". This fieldtrip connects to our IB unit on "where we live influences who we are and what we value." We have been studying the history of MN so it will be nice to actually see some of the things that we have been learning. We will leave at 9:00am sharp to go to the Mill City Museum in Minneapolis. We will eat lunch there, take a walk to the Stone Arch Bridge and then head to St. Paul to visit the James J. Hill House. If you would like to come on the fieldtrip please let me know. I will send the permission slip home next week.

3. Lunch and Recess

We are changing the order of when we have lunch and recess. That means we will go to recess first at 12:00pm until 12:20pm, then we will have lunch from 12:25pm to 12:55pm. We will follow this schedule until the end of the school year. If you have any further questions please speak to Sra. Rayo.

4. Arrive on Time

ISLA is encouraging that all students arrive on time so we are able to start our first lesson at 9:00am. We had 95% arrive on time this week. Let's aim for 100% for next week!

5. Athletic Day

Tuesday, June 1st is our annual ISLA Athletic Day where all students will participate in different athletic events. Students may wear non-uniform clothes such as shorts or other comfortable clothes for Athletic Day. If you would like to volunteer please contact Juan Carlos at jcruiz@islacad.org.

6. News from Srta. Rawson

This week I have taught several math lessons. The students are learning about fractions and decimals. The students enjoyed playing fraction bingo. In the afternoon I taught prefixes and suffixes during English class. The students are finishing up their final Minnesota project by creating a state brochure. Next week I will teach full-time into the middle of the week. I am excited to spend these last few school days with your child.

7. Parent/Guardian each your Skill Day

I would like to thank Scott Nagel for coming to our classroom and sharing his travels around the world with the class. He brought his photo albums, money and little treasures from the countries he visited. He told the students many stories and the students were able to see life from a different perspective. Thank you! We are looking forward to the parents who are coming next week! If you haven't scheduled a time yet please contact me with your availability.

8. Reminder to Sign up for Summer Camp! Spaces are still open!!!

FUN AND FITNESS June 14 - June 18

Join us for a week filled with yoga, playing sports, making and eating healthy snacks and many other creative ways to take care your mind, body and soul.

MYTHS AND LEGENDS June 21 - June 25

This week will include a performance, making costumes like fairies, dragons and monsters, drawing creative backdrops for our own production, and at the end performing a play.

GETTIN' DIRTY June 28 - July 2

Creating a sculpture garden and diggin' in the dirt, become an artist and design a plaster mask, get crazy with hands on science experiments and many more dirty surprises.

LET'S BUILD IT July 12 - July 16

Come practice being a risk-taker and learning some construction skills. Learn how to make books, kites, foam creatures, stamps, balloon figures, a garden, masks and origami! Bring your creative minds and helpful hands!

ON THE WILD SIDE July 19 - July 23

Take a walk on the Wild Side and explore the nature around you! Play wild water games, make "stained glass" animal designs, learn about animals around the world, make wild tie-dye designs, make animal snacks, and go animal watching. You'll even have the chance to dissect owl pellets and make your own fossils!

CAMP ISLA'S GOT TALENT July 26-July 30

This week will include a performance. Come show-off your talent at Camp ISLA! Participate in a puppet show, building your own puppets, creating a stage and background and learning new songs and dances! Also flex your muscles in our Mini-Olympics!

9. La Reina y El Rey

The new Spanish royalty of the week is Christiana Thayer as the queen and Jasper Johnson as the king. Congratulations!

10. Up Coming Events

**May 25th is Late Start and PTO meeting, May 28th is our class fieldtrip, May 31st we have NO school!
June 1st is Athletic Day, June 4th is 6th grade Graduation at 10:00am and is the Last Day of School!**