



PARENT'S LETTER NOVEMBER 6TH 2008 ISSUE 8

DEAR FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE PARENTS:

IB Profile is thinkers & Attitudes are creativity and enthusiasm

1. La Reina de la semana

The new royalty of the week has been awarded to Rachel Anderson. Rachel went to Mexico in October and made a power point presentation about her trip in Spanish. This was not an assignment but she went the extra mile and did a great report. ¡Felicidades Rachel!

2. Caleb's Story

Our current read aloud is *Caleb's Story* by Patricia MacLachlan. The class is working on their final draft of their sequel to the first book we read *Sarah, Plain and Tall*. I am so proud of the class and their progress in writing. We have worked on voice (who is telling the story), conventions (grammar), word choice (is it interesting) and idea (is the message of my story clear). They are becoming real authors and illustrators.

3. IB Unit *Where We Are in Time and Place*

Each student has an explorer and will be doing research on him/her. As part of the research they will need to go to the library or use the internet to look up information about it. If computer access is a problem the library provides them and free internet.

4. Fiesta Fund

Last year the teachers asked the parents to contribute \$6.00 for the fiestas we had throughout the school year. So at this time I kindly ask you to send \$6.00 to school in an envelope with Fiesta Fund written on it. If you write a check please make it out to Sra. Boeser since I will be the one responsible for buying the materials. Thank you very much.

5. Sra. Boeser out on November 6th

I will not be at school on Thursday November 6th, 2008 because I am attending a professional development seminar for spelling and word skills. I am really excited. I love learning new techniques!

6. Toy Chest Drive

We will be collecting toys for the Toy Chest Drive at ISLA now until December 12th. Please see the flier for more details. Thanks!

7. Target Grant

Last week I completed an application for a field trip grant from Target. We have an opportunity to have a guided tour of the Twin Cities and learn more about our exciting Minnesota history. We will be notified about the outcome in January.

8. Up Coming Events

Nov. 10th is PTO meeting. Nov 11th is ISLA Board meeting. Nov. 15th is Barnes & Noble PTO Fundraiser. Nov. 18th is late start. Nov. 26th-28th is no school. Nov. 20th is Dia de Los Muertos PTO fundraiser & Family Night.

Con cariño,

Sra. Boeser

“If you want to do something and you don’t think you can do it, say, “Just put your mind to it.” – Haley Kirchner, 4th grade student at ISLA.