



PARENT'S LETTER SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2008 ISSUE 4

DEAR FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE PARENTS:

1. Curriculum Night

It was great to see all of you at curriculum night. This is going to be a fabulous year and the students are already learning a lot. If you have any questions, concerns or wonder why I am doing something please feel free to contact me.

2. Picture Day

September 29th is school picture day. **Students may dress up on this day.**

3. Math

We are reviewing geometry and the properties of shapes in math. Ask your child what the difference is between a quadrilateral and a triangle? What shape is a parallelogram? And why?

4. español

Here is a list of vocabulary words that we will be practicing in Spanish for our game show: **oprima el botón** (press the button) **aplauda** (clap) **¡Bienvenidos a nuestro concurso!** Welcome to our game show! **público** (audience) **presentador/a** (game host) and **concursante** (contestant) and **comercial** (commercial).

5. Writing

We finished reading *Sarah, Plain and Tall* by Patricia MacLachlan and we will be writing the sequel to it before we read the "real one". We are focusing on the trait IDEA. The questions you can ask your child at home to guide him/her while writing are: What is your message? Is your message clear? Did you try hard to make it interesting? Do you have enough information?

6. IB

Today we talked about what it means to be a risk taker and the students gave examples of when they took a risk. Ask your child why he/she is a risk taker? Share with him/her why you are one too.

7. Up Coming Events

Sept. 27th the Hopkins Library is having a "Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month" There will be a dance group performing an authentic Aztec ceremonial dance and explaining its significance in English and Spanish. Starts at 2pm. Sept. 29th is Picture Day.

Con cariño,

Sra. Boeser

“When you call on hard work, hard work calls on you.” Anisah Clark ISLA 5th grader