



UNAS NOTICIAS DE LA CLASE DE ESPAÑOL

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Since the last Spanish newsletter in December, the fourth graders have had Spanish class only seventeen times as Mondays have been the typical “no school” day of the week. Yet, they have been developing their Spanish vocabulary throughout the past months. From talking about the calendar and weather to writing sentences using various sight words, the students are becoming Spanish speakers.

The two-minute timings have continued into the second trimester; I am amazed at the number of flashcards some students are able to identify in only two minutes! *¡Qué inteligente!* As the students recently studied various sight words (commonly used Spanish vocabulary in writing and conversation), this seemed to be a challenge for some of them. Just a reminder: each student is encouraged to practice their vocabulary cards daily for ten minutes in order to strengthen their knowledge of Spanish. Perhaps a student might review the flashcards on the ride to or from school each day. ☺ Also, the Spanish assignments are posted on PowerSchool; if ever needed, please check the website to clarify an assignment.

Currently, the children are beginning a unit study on clothing. Yesterday, I spoke to the students about the need of donated articles of clothing and accessories for a class activity; the specific items are listed in sections one and two on the student’s vocabulary list. I am asking for larger-sized clothing as students need to be able to put on the clothing over their own clothes. If you have various clothing items that you no longer wear, please send them to school next week; the items may be dropped off in the office or the Spanish classroom (between Mrs. Buck’s and Mrs. Binford’s rooms). Thank you so much for your help!

Tomorrow, the school calendar shows the end of the second trimester. I am very proud of the fourth graders; their commitment and excitement make it a joy for me to be their Spanish teacher. *Muchas gracias* for all you do to encourage your child to do his/her best! ☺

¡Vaya con Dios!

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