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THE TISA GAZETTE

Director's Message:

Hello TISA Families!

We are in the final stretch of the school year and many great things are happening. As you will see from the rest of the newsletter, great things are happening in our classrooms. Come and visit if you get a chance.



I have two announcements:

Come join us, and bring your family and friends to the 1st Annual TISA Spring Festival of Learning. It will be held at the Convention Center in the Don Fernando Hall on April 30th from 4:00 pm – 7:00pm. There will be exhibits of our students' learning as well as performances from several of the classes. Mark your Calendar and Join the Fun!

It is budget time for the public schools in New Mexico and one piece of that process is a Parent Informational night regarding the school budget. We will be having that meeting on Thursday, April 14th at 5:30 in the upper building. Myself and our Business Manager, Deanna Gomez will be providing information about our proposed budget and asking for input. Please join us!

SCHOOL PICTURES!

By now you should have received proofs your child's school photo. Orders are due back no later than Monday, April 11th.

Please deliver your proofs, order, and payment to Connie's office. If paying by check or money order, please make payable to Laura Evelyn.

If your child was absent on picture day, you may contact Laura at 770-3316 to schedule a makeup.

All profits from these photos are being donated to TISA.

Thank you, Laura!

4/5th Grade Stick Bridge Engineering Challenge!

Mr. Kelly's class is coordinating a stick bridge engineering competition!

Bridges are constructed of only popsicle sticks and wood glue. They must cross a span of 18 inches and must have an unobstructed deck width of 3.5 inches. The bridges will be tested for strength.

The competition will be held at the school on Friday, April 22nd beginning at 10:30. An invitation Taos Charter School will also be participating.

Mr. Kelly needs volunteer judges! If you are interested in being a judge, please contact him.



1st GRADE NEEDS EMPTY TISSUE BOXES!

I know with all the juniper wafting through the air, there are LOADS of empty boxes somewhere!





THANK YOU! THANK YOU!!

The 1st grade would like to thank Juniper and Magnolia (3rd grade students) for showing them how to finger knit!

To Shawna Williams (3rd grade parent) for her help in the classroom!

The Kindergarten class would like to thank all the parents who have helped to keep the classroom germ-free!

Special thanks to Linda Carvalho for donating homeopathic products!

To our own Linda Seto (3rd grade teacher) for making the

<u>Movement Workshop</u>
happen last weekend!

Watch for upcoming workshop opportunities!



FROM 1ST GRADE

The first grade has been dissecting the story of Beauty and the Beast and all its parts. "When did the story take place?" "The spring." "How do you know?" "Because the roses are blooming. They are all around the castle, that is why it's called the Castle of the Rose." This conversation between Liam and Taylor acted as inspiration for further investigation of the rose and spring.



Each child was given a rose. What are the different parts? What does a flower need to grow? What does a rose look like on the inside and outside? Thus, each child investigated the rose, drew and labeled its parts both inside and out.

CALENDAR REMINDERS!!

PTO Meeting

Tuesday, April 12th at 5:30 Fundraising Committee meets at 5:00

TISA Lottery Draw for 2011/2012 Tuesday, April 5th , 10:00am

TISA Budget Meeting – Open meeting to the public to discuss and approve the 2011/2012 budget. Thursday, April 14th, 5:30.

Governing Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 20th at 6:00

State Testing

For Grades 3-4-5. Dates for this month are April 5 and 6.

Pizza Day!

Friday, April 15th! Pepperoni or cheese. \$1.50 per slice. Orders due by April 14th.

Spring Festival of Learning! April 30th 4:00-7:00

Don Fernando Hall on Civic Plaza Drive

