



October 2023 Newsletter

Hello Peaceful Families,

My sincere appreciation to our families who volunteered their time and those who donated materials for Spruce Up Day on September 16th. The morning was such a huge success! Many tasks were accomplished because of you!! Thank you to Paula Garcia and Monica Padilla - Stem-melen for doing a wonderful job coordinating the event. Didn't make it to our Fall Spruce Up Day? No worries, our Spring Spruce Up is planned for March 2024!

I hope you enjoyed Parent Night! It was wonderful to see you in our classrooms! Our staff worked hard to prepare for the evening, which hopefully you found helpful and informative.

As we inch closer to cold & flu season, I am grateful to our families for keeping their sick children at home. Please remember to contact the office at 520 299-8908 or email: admin@internationalschoolforpeace.com when keeping your child home for any reason. I am mandated by Arizona Department of Health and Safety to post information on communicable diseases and keep track of illnesses. Those posting can be found in the glass case above the sign in tables. Families will be notified via email of confirmed Covid cases among staff or students. For more information, please refer to our 2023/2024 Family Handbook and Health Action Response Plan on our website. I am always here to answer your questions. I'll be submitting my annual immuniza-

tion report to Pima County Health Department on November 1. Please be sure that the preschool office has a copy of your child's most correct immunization record including COVID19, or exemption form by October 31. Thank you.

October will be a busy month! Our class themes will include Fall and pumpkins, bats, owls and spiders, farm animals and farm production, and best practices in sharing! We will begin outdoor gardening while always looking to increase our outdoor play time.

SAVE THE DATE! ISP Fall Festival is back! Saturday, October 7, 3-6PM. Tickets are available for purchase in the preschool office. More information can be found in this newsletter.

Photographer and ISP friend Ellen Duperret will be on campus October 26 and 27 in the morning for our annual School Picture Days. Individual student pictures and class pictures will be taken on both Thursday and Friday. Order forms will be sent home with your child. Please return your order form and payment to the office by Friday, October 23. A portion of the proceeds will go to ISP Fundraising Fund. Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you for being a part of ISP!

Cathy

As soon as I saw you, I knew an adventure was going to happen.

- Pooh

Mission Statement

International School for Peace promotes peace within the individual, the community, and the world by immersing children in languages and multicultural experiences through play-based, anti-bias curriculum that celebrates diversity.

Tuition is due on the first of the month

There is a 5 day grace period. If the 5th falls on a Saturday or Sunday, tuition is due on the Friday before. You may pay through our [website](#), mail a check to 4625 E River Road, or drop off exact cash / check at the office door.

Fall Festival

Saturday, October 7th

3:00-6:00 PM



Join us for...

Games and Prizes!



Food Trucks!

Amazing Music!



Face Painting!

Bouncy House!



...And Much More!

Interested in volunteering,
donating, or sponsoring?

Please contact

Meredith @

504-444-3134

Tickets on Sale

NOW at the
preschool office,

Tickets must be purchased in advance.
We will not be selling them on October 7th, thank you!

ELLEN DUPERRET
photography

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will be on campus
October 26 & 27
to take individual and class pictures.

Link to Order Form Here: [ORDER NOW](#)

Link to Ellen's Website Here: [Ellen](#)

Cash or Check only—made out to Ellen Duperret

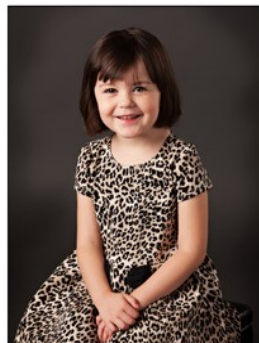


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photography



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Costumes & ISP

Halloween is in the air, however, wearing costumes to school presents many issues such as costumes being lost, damaged, or forgotten at school. Most importantly, many costumes present safety hazards as well as distractions for our students.



For the safety of the children, we ask that costumes, props, and candy be left at home.

Thank You

Wish List



- Gourds
- Families to buy tickets to the fall festival!
- Organic garden soil
- Ground coffee
- Scrap Paper

Thank You!

IMPORTANT Note:

We have a new allergy alert. One of our dear students tested positive for an allergy to Coconut so you'll notice that all the door signs have been updated to indicate that we do not allow the following on campus:

- ⇒ Peanuts
- ⇒ Tree Nuts
- ⇒ Sesame Seeds
- ⇒ Coconut

Please do not send anything to school containing these ingredients. Thank you so much for your cooperation in protecting our friends!



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SUNDAY BRUNCH 11am-2:30pm East off of 1st Ave
520.792.0630

www.govindasoftucson.com

[More Info Here!](#)

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Global Flavors of Fall Festival

Sunday October 1, 2023
Tucson Village Farm
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Thank you ISP Room Parents!

- ♦ Mandi Gilman
- ♦ Shanleigh Sullivan
- ♦ Regina Salaz
- ♦ Shalese Mays
- ♦ November Prentiss
- ♦ Melissa Gerkin
- ♦ Carrie Rollman
- ♦ Cora-Lee Behling
- ♦ Mead Mier
- ♦ Cady Mier



Interested in Spanish home resources?

Check out the following link:

<https://cedarhillkids.com/>

October

Cultural Holidays:

- Mehregan: October 2
- Navaratri: October 15-24
- Sukkot: September 29- October 6
- World Mental Health Day: October 10
- Canadian Thanksgiving: October 9
- National Coming out Day: October 11
- National Indigenous Peoples Day: October 11
- Halloween Day: October 31

Welcome New Students:

(Please add to your Community Directory)

Mia Tufts—Ms. Siria's class

Mom: Emily Tufts—

emiller02932@gmail.com (520)971-8386

Dad: Travis Tufts—ttufts5@gmail.com

(520)991-8182

Emilia Nagore—Ms. Zulma's class

Mom: Luisa Nagore—(520)342-9770

Welcome, we are so happy to have you!

ISP Board Members:

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Cathy DeMers	Director	520-299-8909	cathy@internationalschoolforpeace.com

Thank you so much!

- Ms. Lydia for bringing in treats for the staff!
- Moawya Yagob for his landscaping efforts!
- Laura Aldag for her monetary donation!
- Meredith Keller for bringing in treats for the staff and donating a pan for the mud kitchen!
- The Landau family for taking out the recycling!
- Sophia Wintzer for bringing in treats for the staff!
- Hallie Cooke for her artistic creation and library service!
- Shanleigh Sullivan for her library time!
- Meredith & Serenity for their efforts with the Fall Festival!
- Natalie Nunez for the play cube!
- Lilibet Sanders for shopping at Costco for us!
- The Lopez family for the apple peeler, treats for staff, and peat pots!
- The Birmelin family for their donation of girls' pants!
- Hannah Martin for helping haul tables around!
- Gramma Debbie Kornmiller for playground ball and fire trucks!
- Hamed Isar for cleaning up our garden!
- The Colin Campbell Family for sunscreen.
- The Radovic Family for the cozy coupe!
- Monica Padilla Stemmelen for treats.
- The Thomas family for landscaping.
- Grandma Darlene Showalter for sewing a damaged play apron back together.
- Dan Landau for installing a new gate alarm system.



Special Thanks for Fall Spruce Up Helpers!

The following volunteers were able to come together on September 16th and do an absolutely awesome job at 'Sprucing Up' the preschool. We so appreciate your efforts!

- * Cathy DeMers
- * Dale Prentiss
- * Lily Sanders
- * Daniel Landau
- * Kelsey Moran
- * Kinsley Makielski
- * Troy Matthews
- * Serenity Wu
- * Hamed Isar
- * Paula Garcia
- * Alicia Enciso Litschi
- * Paul Swanson
- * Monica Padilla-Stemmelen
- * Mike Garskof-Langford
- * Ludmila Clarke
- * Aaron Larson

Those who Donated Supplies—also much appreciated!

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

- * Viviana Steele
- * Noah Nelson
- * Jennifer Maldonado
- * Alicia Enciso Litschi
- * Regina Salaz
- * Juliana Sacoman
- * Elizabeth Toscano
- * Mary Pankratz
- * Melanie Radovic
- * Darren Cusanovich
- * Jessica Grey
- * Dale Prentiss
- * Jessica Grey
- * Ashley Van Winkle
- * Monica Padilla-Stemmelen
- * The Shiver family

Special Thanks to our coordinators:

- Monica Padilla-Stemmelen
- Paula Garcia



Special Thanks to
Melissa Miller and
PaperPie Learning Book Fair and
all of the friends and parents
who participated in our fall
book fair fundraiser!
Thank you so much!



International School for Peace's Peace Survey Results:

On the ISP Peace Survey, we asked the following questions of ISP Families:

1. 'What techniques do you employ in your family to help bring, keep, or refresh peace in your home? Please share a technique that you think works well.'
2. "How important is peace to your family?"
3. "Are your mornings peaceful?"
4. "Does your family schedule dinner time together around a table?"
5. "Peace is something we think and talk about every day."
6. "The word I would use to describe my family is: (multiple choices were given but opportunity to add your own word was available)"

We really enjoyed reading the responses to these questions and creating a report. Thank you so much for your participation. There was too much information to put into the newsletter, so here's a link to the full report: [ISP Peace Survey Results](#)

Out of the 23 responses to Question 1, here's one of our favorites: *"If we have a conflict with another person in the family, let them know how we are feeling. Sometimes we tell them we need some space before we know what we are feeling and can tell them. We have a flipchart with different emotions that can help us find the ways we are feeling. After we say what we are feeling, we may have a request of the person we have the conflict with. "I feel sad. I'm asking you not to laugh at me. It hurts my feelings."*

This answer is so powerful—the importance of children learning how to identify and explain their feelings can not be overstated. If we don't develop these skills as children, we have difficulty coping as adults. This technique is one that doesn't only cultivate peace in the moment, but throughout a child's lifetime. Thank you, ISP families and friends, for choosing peace in your lives!

For more information on creating more peace and presence to your family life, please check out this article:

[How to Bring More Peace and Presence to Family Life](#)



Precare

Dear Families,

Our journey has begun as September turns into October in what seems like a blink of an eye! This month we will have lots of fun with different themes such as Fall, Sharing, Spiders, Bats and Owls.

During Precare there's always plenty of activities to include art, prewriting tasks, story time, building and dramatic play.

One of the first tasks at arrival is to wash our hands. Children have moved into that routine and are hand-washing properly.

Thank you for your support and feel free to contact me with any questions concerning the precare program: siriaesq@gmail.com.

Muchas Gracias!

Ms Siria and Ms Lulu



Aftercare

Hello ISP aftercare families!

We made it through our first FULL month and we had such a blast doing it! The children are becoming good friends and adjusting to aftercare so well. Some of the kiddos who seemed so quiet at first have really blossomed into little social butterflies! Everyone is always so excited to participate in daily activities and have gotten used to the routine. It is such a terrific group of children!

This month, we will be focusing on our themes of pumpkins, Día de los Muertos, farm life, bats, and spiders. We will focus on our themes through our reading and weekly art experiences.

As always, I'd like to thank all of our parents and guardians for the support you show every day. We appreciate you so much.

Your aftercare teachers,

Ms Vivian &

Ms Tiffany

Young 2's Partial Spanish Immersion

Queridas Familias,

We had so much fun in September. Thank you to those parents who attended Fall Spruce Up Day and Parent Night. We are now excited to welcome the new month of October. We are officially in the season of all things fall!

Our first theme for the month is going to be Pumpkins. We will be exploring the different parts of a pumpkin, a pumpkin's life cycle, and different sizes and colors that they can be.

Reminders:

- * Label everything that comes to school
- * Send a fresh water bottle every day

Our second theme will be Spiders. We will learn about where they live, how many legs they have, and we will look at pictures of different kinds of spiders.

Our third theme will be Farms. We will be talking about some of the animals that live on a farm, what kind of sounds they make, and what kind of food they eat.

Our last theme will be extra special because we will be learning all about friendship and how beautiful it can be! This will include learning to work together as a team through group activities. We will also be reading some books about this topic.

We will also be turning our dramatic area into a chef's kitchen, and we will make Pumpkin Pie together.

This month's activities include:

- ⇒ Sorting pumpkins by color and size
- ⇒ Painting a wooden pumpkin with a small paintbrush
- ⇒ Types of Spiders Matching Cards
- ⇒ Matching Cards with Farm Animals
- ⇒ Making our Friendship Flower

Save the date: Saturday, Oct 7th 3:00-6:00 Fall Festival.
Tickets are on sale now in the preschool office.

Thank you so much and I hope you all have a wonderful October!

Ms. Vanessa & Ms. Tiffany



Vocabulary

- * Fall- Otoño
- * Cow-Vaca
- * Pumpkin-Calabaza
- * Sheep-Oveja
- * Horse-Caballo
- * Orange - Naranja

Songs of the month:

- * "La Arana Pequeñita"
- * "B-I-N-G-O"
- * "Tengo 3 ovejas"

Wishlist:

- ◇ Pumpkins of all sizes

Older 2's Partial Spanish Immersion

Dear Parents:

Fall is upon us, even if it still feels like summer! We are feeling days getting shorter and the nights getting longer. It is at this time of year that we have begun to really settle into our daily routines in our classroom. We will continue to review classroom rules and procedures throughout the year.

Our first theme is Fall. Your child will learn during this theme about autumn, trees, pumpkins, and leaves. We will explore different kinds of leaves, paint leaves using different utensils, and read books on the topic.

The second week's theme is sharing. We will talk about why sharing is important. We will do group activities and encourage sharing in a fun way. Of course, we will read books to reinforce the topic.

The third week theme is spiders, bats, and owls. We will use magnifying glass to explore spiders and your child will learn fun facts about owls and bats. We will create art of these spooky friends.

The four-week theme is Farm. Your child will learn about different farm animals such as cows, pigs, and horses, their sounds, and facts. We will read books about farm production and why farming is so important. We will have lots of fun while singing and dancing along with Old McDonald songs. Please expect lots of art coming home!

I'll keep sending the Daily report every day for each child, I will use it to communicate supply needs such as extra clothes, diapers etc. as well as sharing the happenings of the day.

Please remember to include a spoon or fork in their lunch boxes, if needed.

I would like to ask to keep working at home on potty time. The boys and girls are doing a fantastic job going potty at school. I appreciate all your support with this task.

Please send a small pumpkin next week. Your child will have the opportunity to decorate it. Also, I'm looking for a parent to donate a large pumpkin and carve it during our outside time. Please let me know if you are interested in helping with this fun activity in late October.

Muchas Gracias!!

Ms Siria siriaesq@gmail.com



Vocabulary

- * Fall- Otoño
- * Cow-Vaca
- * Leaves—Hojas
- * Pumpkin-Calabaza
- * Sheep-Oveja
- * Horse-Caballo
- * Trees—Árboles
- * Spider—Araña
- * Bat—Murciélago
- * Owl—Búho
- * Farm—Granja
- * Pig—Cerdo
- * Farmer—Granjero
- * Hay—Paja

Songs of the month:

- * "Mary had a little lamb"
- * "Old McDonald"
- * "La Araña pequeña"

Colors of the month:

- * Brown—Cafe
- * Red—Rojo
- * Yellow—Amarillo

3's Partial Spanish Immersion

Dear Families,

September was a great success! Thank you to those parents who attended Spruce up Day and Parent Night. I appreciate you!

The children have done a great job adjusting to our daily routines. We will continue to review classroom rules and procedures as well as distinguishing between an indoor and outdoor voice.

The temperature will get cooler which will make it a perfect time to take our gardening program outside. Children will explore and learn to take care of our plants and watch them grow.

Themes in October will include Otoño (Fall), Farm (Granja), Pumpkins (Calabazas), Spiders (Aranas), Bats (Murciélagos) and Friendship (Amistad).

I'm excited to increase more Spanish vocabulary words to our program.

We will learn three new songs "La Araña Pequeñita", "Five Little Pumpkins" and "Diez Amigos."

Special Thanks to Melanie Radovic for donating seeds to plant in our garden Gracias!

We have welcomed back our Hebrew teacher Ms. Jodi! We are very excited to start a new school year with Hebrew classes each Wednesday that beautiful traditions and delicious recipes. Also Ms. Farzana - Bienvenida! She will visit our classroom for Farsi each Thursday. Our enrichment lesson plans are posted to the classroom window.

Kind Reminder: Please have two labeled full sets of clothing inside your child's cubby. Please labeled morning and aftercare snacks, lunch, water bottle and lunch boxes and a spoon or fork as needed.

Due to safety and health concerns please have your child enjoy their Halloween costumes, props, and candy at home- thank you!

Ms. Zulma's Wish List:

Please provide a small pumpkin to decorate the last week of October.

Thank You!

Until next time,
Ms. Zulma



October Vocabulary

- * Fall-Otoño
- * Farm-Granja
- * Pumpkin-Calabaza
- * Spider-Arana
- * Bat-Murciélagos
- * Friendship- Amistad



3's Full Spanish Immersion

Feliz Octubre a todos!

Thank you to those who attended Fall Spruce Up Day and Parent Night. Both events were such a success!

We are thrilled to have Ms. Farzana our Farsi teacher and Ms. Jodi our Hebrew teacher begin their programs. Students are enjoying these two classes and demonstrating a high level of engagement and participation during these times.

During this month we will be exploring pumpkins, bats, spiders, and owls, farm animals and production, and Sharing.

Special Thank You to:

- Familia Smith for their donation of books.
- Melissa Gerkin for volunteering to be our room parent and donating green apples.

Our themes will be reinforced through hands on activities, arts, books, songs, and discussions. Temperatures permitting, we will begin gardening outdoor activities this month.

We will be creating art with pumpkin seeds, and tasting seeds too. If you prefer that your child not taste pumpkin seeds, please let me know! **I am asking each child to bring in a small pumpkin no later than October 23.**

I am also looking for a donation of 4 additional small pumpkins and 3 big pumpkins for parents to carve. If you would like to help our class carve a big pumpkin, please let me know. We would love to have your help for this outdoor activity.

For our farm theme, students will name farm animals, sounds associated with the animals, and their habits. We will have discussions and explore books to learn how animals contribute to farm life. We will also learn about farm production and how farms impact communities.

Children will continue to learn our classroom routines as well as focus on cooperation, taking turns, negotiating, sharing, and acceptance when things do not happen to go our way. Sharing is a huge topic in our classroom which teaches us to compromise. Sharing is a key part of getting along with others.

Please feel free to contact me at damarisnallelyr@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Thank you for your trust and support!

Con cariño,
Ms. Damaris



October

Spanish Vocabulary:

- ⇒ Spider - Araña
- ⇒ Owl - Buho
- ⇒ Bat - Murciélago
- ⇒ Fall - Otoño
- ⇒ October - Octubre
- ⇒ Pumpkin - Calabaza
- ⇒ Farm - Granja
- ⇒ Sharing - Compartir

Wish List:

- Big bags of Organic Garden Soil
- Big Pumpkins for Carving & Parents to Help Carve

Kind Reminders:

- Please provide two full sets of labeled clothing in a bag inside the cubby to be kept at school for accidents.
- Please send food in easy to open containers. The children are so proud when they can do it all "on their own."

3's/4's Partial Spanish Immersion

Hello Dear Families / Queridos Padres y Familia,

October is here!!! During this month, we will explore the themes: Pumpkins, bats/spiders, farm, and the concept of sharing – compartir.

We will explore these topics through books, songs, open-ended art and more!

We will continue focusing on self help skills such as hand washing, using tissues as needed, unpacking and packing up our food, independence with toileting and participating in clean up time in our efforts to continue to adjust to school life. Our students are working hard on learning and really doing so well.

Throughout October, I will reinforce sharing, taking turns, and trading toys or activities as a friendly way of working and playing together.

Farm life will be a big theme this month! We will learn about farm animals, the importance of farm production, and the interesting life cycle of chickens. We will be investigating pumpkins and ask that all students bring in a small pumpkin no later than October 14th. To start gardening, we planted pumpkin seeds in a container with potting soil. And we also will be looking after and taking care of Rosie, our sweet potato plant, inside our classroom.

We are going to keep counting, categorizing, and learning fun facts about spiders, bats, and Owls. In the mornings, we will sing new songs “la Araña Pequeñita,” and “Mariposa,” and continue to add more colors to our daily song “Los Colores” and “Months of the Year.” For those children who show interest in pre-emerging reading and writing skills, we will offer new letters through different activities that reinforce letter recognition and their associated sounds. We will learn to identify the letters C, D and E and their corresponding sounds. We will also continue recognizing our first name in print and spelling the letters aloud, and then move on to our last name.

Finally, the kids love to jump, run, and climb so thank you for supporting their gross motor development by having them wear socks and sport shoes. Feel free to check out ISP “Shoe Swap” located in the purple box outside the preschool office.

One last request is to please keep your child's Halloween costume and props at home! We will be acknowledging the day in other ways.

I want to thank all the parents and families who participated in Spruce up Day. Our classroom is sparkling clean! Thank you for coming to Parent Night. I really enjoyed talking to you, sharing student portfolios, and showing you a typical day in our classroom. A special thanks to Ariana and Anahi's Family for donating aprons for our classroom, Cecelia and Isabel's Moms for donating disinfecting wipes and Ziplock bags.

Please feel free to contact me at lseldner@hotmail.com if you have any questions. Thanks for your generosity and support!

With love,

Ms. Lydia



October Spanish

Vocabulary

Farm-Granja

Spider-Arana

Bat-Murcielago

Pumpkin-Calabaza

Sharing- Compartir



4's/5's Full Spanish Immersion

Dear Parents and Families,

First of all, I'd like to thank you for joining me and the rest of the ISP community for Parent Night. I hope I was able to provide helpful information about your child and our class in general. Please remember you can always reach me in case of any questions or concerns.

We'll welcome Octubre with Farm/Granja. I'll present this theme (and all future themes) with the question, "What do we know about Farms?" From there, we will learn about our favorite Farm Animals and their babies' names in Spanish, for instance Caballo/Potrillo (Horse/Foal). In the Dramatic area we'll have a "Pet Farm", where children will have the opportunity to become farmers and take care of the animals. "Sali de Paseo/I went walking" by Sue Williams, "El Gran Granero Rojo" by Wise Brown, and "Mrs. Wishy Washy's Farm" by Joy Cowley are some of the books I will read to my class. At the grassy Playground we will play "duck, duck goose."

We'll also explore Calabazas/Pumpkins. We will read and learn about the life cycle and the names (in Spanish) of the different parts of a pumpkin. On our Science Table we'll have different kinds of pumpkins, and we'll open them to see how they look on the inside. We'll make lots of observations and we will record our observations with pictures and words for you to see. I'll set up a "Pumpkin Patch" with different pretend pumpkin products for the children to buy.

We will dedicate our last week in October to Bats/Murcielagos, Spiders/Aranas and Owls/Buhos. I will provide engaging, fun and hands-on activities to learn about these animals' eating habits, survival skills and some other interesting facts. Children will also use different kinds of materials to make fun and colorful decorations to take home.

We will continue to work on our Self-Help Skills by encouraging and guiding the children on following hand washing guidelines, cleaning up after using an area when eating or playing and by unpacking and packing up their belongings appropriately. During this month (and for the rest of the school year) I will provide plenty of opportunities to talk about Friendship and Sharing/Taking Turns. We will discuss how friends can help each other and we will also share and talk about actions and/or words that can make us sad, happy, mad and frustrated. We will role play scenarios

that can cause us strong feelings and children will brainstorm strategies to navigate and deal with these situations. Children are already working on asking friends for a turn when they want to use an area or material in order to share and be fair.

Pre-Math Skills: Children will continue reinforcing and working on One-to-One Correspondence and Patterns. Children will also use different types of manipulatives to measure the length and the height of different objects and materials inside and outside the classroom.

Pre-Writing and Pre-Reading Skills: Children will continue to work on their fine motor skills by using different manipulatives and writing tools. During the last month they have gained confidence and interest in tracing and writing their names and their friends' names. They will use scissors to snip and/or cut paper to make collages.

Please, join us for some fun at our Fall Festival! Saturday, October 7 from 3-6pm.

Last, but not least, Thanks for your generosity and support.

"Friendship isn't a big thing, it's a million little things" - Becca Anderson

Sending
Love and
Kindness,
Ms. Paola



October Spanish Vocabulary

- Octubre: October
- Granja: Farm
- Animales: Animals
- Vaca: Cow
- Ternero: Calf
- Caballo: Horse
- Potrillo: Foal
- Pato: Duck
- Ganso: Goose
- Calabaza: Pumpkin
- Amistad: Friendship

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL MY FRIENDS AND THEIR FAMILIES WHO PURCHASED BOOKS FOR OUR CLASS: LILY, STELLA, JAMIE, MAERIDA, AMELIA, AVERY, AGNES, JOSIE, ANTONIO AND SEAN!

THANK YOU TO REGINA AND ALICIA FOR DONATING TWO COLORFUL PUZZLES FOR OUR CLASS!



Health Action Plan

Updated
8-01-2023

At International School for Peace, we understand that families are entrusting us with not only the education and socialization of their children, but also with their health, safety, and well-being. Our administration, teachers, staff, and families are doing our part to ensure the safety of everyone who enters our campus. Below is a list of what we are doing in the best interest of the community as a whole. ISP will continue make updates to our policies as deemed appropriate or mandated.

What Administration is Doing:	What Staff is Doing:	What Families are Doing:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employ Jani King, a professional cleaning service, who will clean our campus each evening M-F. When directed they may utilize a hospital grade method of disinfecting. In the event that a hospital grade method of disinfectant needs to be used, families will be notified. The same team will clean our classrooms each evening. • Follow current CDC/PCHD guidelines and recommendations in regard to a response when close contact or a confirmed case of COVID occurs, which will include reinstating mask wearing, testing, or quarantine. • Establish separate entry and exit points to the school and encourage directional traffic at high traffic times.. • Set up hand sanitizer stations around the ISP campus for use by students, families, and staff. • Ensure only staff and essential persons have access to classrooms at this time. • Ensure sufficient supplies of disinfectant, tissues, masks, hand sanitizer, and gloves are available at all times. • Establish a plan should a staff member or student display symptoms of illness during school hours. Plan may include release from school, isolation, Dr. note to return, mask wearing. • Ensure regular changing of air filters in all ISP buildings. • Contact the community when a communicable has been reported. • Share community resources to access assistance and education about vaccines. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support children who wear masks. • Disclose to the Director should you have close contact, display symptoms yourself, or test positive. • Design activities in the classroom environment that support physical distancing in respect to a play-based philosophy. • Invite families to participate in outdoor activities. • Promote, demonstrate, and reinforce healthy hygiene habits. • Model and reinforce effective handwashing with soap and water for each child upon entry to the classroom, before/after eating, after using the bathroom, and at other times throughout the school day. • Post lesson plans and class happenings in the windows for family viewing. • Clean and disinfect classroom toys frequently. • Present curriculum utilizing outdoor space as much as possible, weather permitting. • Unless essential, discourage nap bedding from home. • Vaccinate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disclose to ISP director should your child contract a communicable disease such as COVID19.A plan will be set into place for your child's return to school which may include recommendations of PCHD/CDC. •Limit your time on the campus during pick up and drop off. •Adhere to established entry and exit points. •Ensure that your child has two spare sets of clothing at school. •Provide the most current copy of your child's emergency information and immunization / exemption forms. If COVID vaccinated, provide updated record. • Monitor your child for the safe use of hand sanitizer. • Commit to staying abreast of school communication. • Keep sick children home and contact preschool office of absence. • Ensure having a backup childcare plan should your child need to stay at home due to illness. • Understand what personal items support a child's sense of security, ability to transition, or self-regulate and are considered essential. Speak with your teacher about having items at school. • Vaccinate.