

The Weekly Newsletter of New Mexico International School

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School-Wide Updates



Volunteer Labor for OUR BIG MOVE!

We are gathering lists of volunteers to help in our transition to our new campus. We need help in the following areas:

Move-Out Crew: This group of volunteers will go through our current campus after the moving company has moved out all our stuff. Their role will be to patch holes in walls and do a general clean

up of the building so we can better anticipate a full refund of our security deposit from our current landlord. This work will be done between **26 June - 30 June**.

New Campus Prep Crew: This group of volunteers will do things in our new campus that won't be done by our new landlord. The specifics of this are yet to be determined, but will likely include painting and basic handi(wo)man work, such as mounting heavy items to walls. This work will be done between 29 July - 2 August.

Move-In Crew: This group of volunteers will be responsible for moving things into our classrooms. When the moving company moves



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our belongings into the new campus, they will mostly be placed in a staging area in the new gymnasium. This is because the classrooms at that point will likely not be ready for occupancy, and we will need a place to store our stuff until the rooms are ready. Once the rooms are ready, we will need assistance moving things from the staging area into the classrooms. This work will be done 12 August -16 August.

To sign up for any of these volunteer crews, contact our operations manager, Alicia Gutierrez, at nmis.operations@gmail.com. You can sign up for one, two or all three if you are able.

Spring Photo Day THIS FRIDAY

We have a new photographer to come take your child's picture in his/her cutest spring outfits! Order forms went home last week. If you want to participate, send your child to school looking super cute **this** Friday, 5 April 2019!

Goodwill Fundraiser

NMISF is having a Goodwill fundraiser, so if you have extra items that you are waiting to get rid of, bring them to school and the Goodwill will pick them up on

Saturday, **6 April 2019** from 10:00am to 2:00 pm. Get rid of your junk, and raise money for our school- simple!

Lost and Found

Are you missing socks? Shirts? Lunch boxes? Water bottles? Jackets? Come to the front office! They may be in the bins between the doors. We have two *full* bins of items that belong to your child. If the items are not claimed by 6 April **2019**, they will be donated to the Goodwill.

Cruising Cones @Truck-a-palooza on 6 April!

If you are attending the Albuquerque Truck-a-palooza event, be sure to stop by the



Cruising Cones ice cream truck! Just mention "NMIS" when you buy your ice cream, and they will



donate 20% of sales to the NM International School Foundation!

The event is

Saturday, 6 April from 10am -**2pm** at Balloon Fiesta park. Click here for details of the event.



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YEARBOOK!!!!

YEARBOOK **DEADLINE IS 8 APRIL 2019.** Two weeks left to order your NMIS yearbook and



create custom pages for your child! Custom pages are optional, but they're FREE and allow you to include your own special photos and memories from the year. TreeRing makes it EASY with many templates and graphics to choose from.

Last Library Day



The NMIS library will close for the school year on Wednesday, 17 **April 2019.** This will allow our volunteer library crew to inventory our collection.

It is imperative your child return or pay for any lost/missing library books. Either purchase a replacement copy of the book or

make payment of \$20 to the school office.

By Friday, 10 May, the library will run a list of children with outstanding books. If your child is on this list, he/she will not be permitted to participate in end-of year activities, such as: Spring violin concert, water day, graduation ceremonies, or any classroom parties.

More Important Library News

Have you and your child read a great book you want to share with others? Let us know so we can spread the word! We've started a "Community Book Picks" to share great books in English, Spanish or Arabic that connect with our IB curriculum. We're thinking of books that incorporate IB attributes either directly or indirectly, or any other book with a positive message for our young readers. Email nmislibrarian@gmail.com with your suggestions.

Our book review contest is back with the new trimester! Help your student's clan earn points -- and help your child win a prize -by working with them on book reviews. Find the forms in English and Spanish attached to this newsletter, or by the library door. Have your child read a book and





then answer a few questions that will help boost their reading comprehension. When you're done, return the forms back to the library to the folder by the door or by sending it with your child on their library day.

This trimester, the author of the best book review will win another new book! Stay tuned to the newsletter to find out what book we'll choose.

Help us help your kids

Parents, did you know? A handful of volunteer parents run the NMIS library. We have no paid staff. The work of this dedicated team allows your students to check out books and use the computer on their

library day. However, we need your help to keep the library doors open. Please consider helping twice a month. Flexible scheduling and training provided. NMIS Volunteer Clearance is required. Email caram99@gmail.com or nmkatecunningham@gmail.com.



This Week's Grade-by-Grade Update

Kindergarten

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Maestra Martha Pacheco <u>nmis.pacheco@gmail.com</u>

This week students will learn about the environment and about inventions made to help clean the air, ocean, waters and decrease deforestation. They will make a collage of inventions that help the environment. Students will make a 3D representation of a forest, jungle, mountains, and the arctic in teams and will share how they think contamination or deforestation can disrupt each environment. Students will brainstorm new ideas/inventions they could create to help the environment.

Students will bring a picture of a current problem affecting the Earth (contamination, deforestation etc) for our class collage. They can also bring a picture of an invention to help the environment to add to our collage.

In Language Arts students will be reviewing letters / s/, and /l/ doing activities tied to these letters.

Students will continue to work on reading/speaking and listening

comprehension activities to prepare them for AVANT.

In math, students will learn measuring with standard and nonstandard tools and how big is a foot. They will also compare and discuss measurements.

In Science, students will learn the Physical science strand "What's it made of?" to classify objects by their observable properties.

Students will be taking the speaking section of the AVANT SPANISH ASSESSMENT this week. Over the weekend go over the vocabulary packet sent home and ask your child to share full sentences using the vocabulary there using "Yo veo/Yo pienso/Me pregunto si..." as sentence starters.

Please continue practicing for Spanish test next week.

https://app.avantassessment.com/sample?username=samplelogin-sp&password=samplesample&loginId=1000006195. Only practice speaking and listening, as these are the only two parts of the test kinders take.





Please make sure that the children hear the initial sounds everyday for at least fifteen minutes. Here is the link to listen to estrellita at home https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K3 iBjCMevbo

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxit aGjPJag

Sílabas trabadas

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FV7 Fjm26rH0

Partes del cuerpo

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pn cYQbgUv8M

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dT rFeTDdXqU Verbos

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w wxgny8bvRE

Silabas

www.youtube.com/watch?v=j1RIUuftxK o

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v =j7rJigx8ilc

THE TWINKLES ARE COMING!!!

We're learning the notes (if your child mentions a sandwich, they are correct) and rhythms for "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star". New practice videos are up <u>CLICK HERE!</u>

First Grade

Maestra Alisa Cooper de Uribe <u>nmis.cooperdeuribe@gmail.com</u>
Maestra Ana Karen Arvizu <u>nmis.arvizu@gmail.com</u>

This week, we will cap off our line of inquiry on the relationships among tools, force, and movement by doing more experiments related to gravity and velocity, and then designing and building our own vehicles! By the end of the week, we'll have had the opportunity to try out our designs and tweak them before seeing which design can go the greatest distance. Super fun!

Our Spanish vocabulary words are rápido, despacio, diseño, vehículo, rodar, lejos. Our English

spelling words are book, good, look, wood, took, take, stood, stand, cook.

In math, we will continue with finding patterns on the number grid in Unit 9, and adding and subtracting by tens. We will also work on number grid puzzles and learn ways to add and subtract two-digit numbers.

Our classes will take more sections of the AVANT standardized test in Spanish. If you haven't yet



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purchased headphones for your child, now is the time!

1ST GRADE VIOLIN CHALLENGE

1st graders have been challenged to do the finger push ups to the "Star Wars" theme by Wednesday's class. Practice video can be found HERE! A link with the notes is in the description of the video. "Itsy Bitsy Spider" is also up! Please use all resources provided for your practice at home! The concerts will be here before you know it! Here's the link to the playlist: <u>Car ride listening!</u>

Second Grade

Maestra Julia DeLilla <u>nmis.delilla@gmail.com</u>
Maestra Bárbara López <u>nmis.lopezb@gmail.com</u>

In IB we will begin a new unit "Sharing the Planet". Our second graders will be learning about planets, habitats, nature's recyclers and how we can take care of our planet.

This week in Math, students will begin Unit 10. This unit focuses on working on area, perimeter and money. We will continue to work on multiplication facts.

In Social Studies, our students will learn about the ocean and coral reefs. Students will begin to work on a group project on how pollution and contamination affect our habitats.

In science we will learn about Uranus and Neptune. Students will choose a planet to research and complete a Bloom Ball. During this unit students will also work on a project to research an animal of their choice. The students will continue improving their spelling, penmanship, and writing skills through dictation. Different areas of the Earth are home to different animals. The animals and plants that live in each habitat are adapted to cope with the conditions around them. Many habitats have been destroyed by human activity.

Spelling Words for the Week:

- 1. new (nuevo)
- 2. never (nunca)
- 3. next (próximo, después)
- 4. night (noche)
- 5. now (ahora)
- 6. o'clock (hora)
- 7. often (con frecuencia, a menudo)
- 8. once (una vez)
- 9. only (solamente)
- 10. open (abrir)





Students did a great job with **AVANT** testing!

May 4th will be our carnival. 2nd graders will be hosting a cake walk during the carnival. We need volunteers to help with the cake walk as well as 40 cakes, cookies or brownies to give out as prizes. Please let us know if you are able to volunteer or donate goodies.

Parents remember to use RazKids at home. Students can read in both Spanish and in English with this program.

Violin News: New song "Allegro" videos now available HERE!

Third Grade

Maestra Yvonne Martini nmis.martini@gmail.com Maestra Monica Saenz nmis.saenz@gmail.com

IB: Students are learning more about the elements of art appreciation: description, analysis, interpretation, evaluation. They do this by carefully examining and writing down observations of famous works of art.

Science: Students will continue with the study of the human eye anatomy in more depth: cornea, iris, pupil, aqueous humor, vitreous humor, rods, cones, etc...

Spelling: The root words for this week are **grat** (thankful, pleasing), gress (step, go), hab (hold), hib (have, hold), **hosp** (guest, host).

- 1. congratulate
- 2. ungrateful
- 3. gratitude

- 4. progress
- 5. regress
- 6. aggressive
- 7. habit
- 8. inhabitant
- 9. habitat
- 10. exhibit
- 11. exhibition
- 12. prohibit
- 13. hospitality
- 14. inhospitable
- 15. hospital
- 1. cinta
- 2. diseño
- 3. medio
- 4. tijeras
- 5. Vidrio

VIOLIN NEWS:

New song "Cielito Lindo" videos and sheet music now available **HERE!**



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Fourth Grade

Maestra Jill Salley <u>nmis.salley@gmail.com</u>
Maestra Amanda Kraft <u>nmis.kraft@gmail.com</u>

This week In IB, students collaborated and discussed our world's greatest nine problems. They included: hunger, poverty, crime, inequality, abuse, global warming, war and lack of education. Prime ministers, UN mediators and members of the World Bank were announced and students began constructing the physical landscapes of their countries based on the information in their top-secret dossiers.

In mathematics, we finished our unit on area and perimeter. Students learned the formulas: B*H=area, and 1/2B*H=area of a triangle. We will take the Unit 8 assessment on Monday, April 1st.

In Science, we started discussing different forms of energy sources: solar and chemical, and how we channel them to be useful to us. We will integrate this knowledge into our World Peace game play as country's locate and develop energy sources.

In Spanish language arts, we continue enjoying and laughing at the antics of the BFG, and discussed the effects of Gasipum, and illustrated some of our own

nightmares and fantasies, inspired by how the BFG bottles dreams. We are still looking for parent volunteers to help us plan, make, or be present at our Spring festival on May 4th. Please contact your teacher for more info. Students took the AVANT test in Spanish this week. They have exceeded our expectations, and as a whole, did extremely well. Buen hecho estudiantes!

Maestra Kraft's class will be recording at musical CD on April 10th. Both Kraft & Salley's classes need to practice Que Cantan Los Ninos. See link for practice: https://youtu.be/p-3cwO4BbGA

VIOLIN NEWS:

Guitar Video for "Hey Jude" and the new song Video/Listening, "De Colores", <u>HERE!</u>

Fourth Grade Arabic Update

In Arabic for 4th grade we will continue the IB unit "sharing the planet." I will teach them vocabulary related to the unit, reading a new story. We will go over the new vocabulary, and ask the students some questions about the story. Also, we will practice reading a word



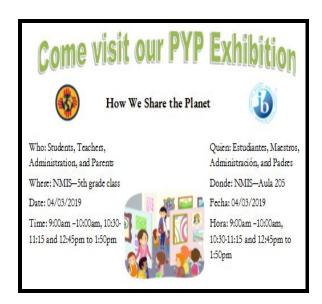


with short and long vowels. I will continue teaching them vocabulary about animals, and about *opposites*. We will do a project about this

vocabulary. We will continue to play a game named *Guess where?* in Arabic.

Fifth Grade

Maestra Jessica Castro-Buelna nmis.castrobuelna@gmail.com



Exhibitions – Our *practice*Exhibition is here!!! The students have been working really hard on their exhibition research and have been working on their presentations. Most of them have decided to use either powerpoint or google slides. Among their powerpoint or google slides they have put great effort into their poster boards. Reminder we will have our school practice presentation of exhibition on **Wednesday 3 April**. The student's posters will be in class as well as in the hall. Parents are more than

welcome to come by and check out presentations. This is our "final rehearsal" for the big, actual Exhibition on 10 April.

The actual, final, culminating Exhibition will be presented to the public on Wednesday, **10 April from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.** This presentation will be held at APS from 5:00pm to 8:00pm please see address below. Also, I need volunteers to bring in veggie, cheese, meat, and fruit platters and waters for the students to snack on. Also, we will need volunteers to help with the clean up once the Exhibition is over. Please let me know if you would like to sign up.

Physical Address: 6400 Uptown Blvd. NE Albuquerque NM 87110

Parents Don't forget - 5th grade graduation is around the corner and we need help coordinating the day. Please contact your 5th Grade SAC representative, Nancy Abeyta, for more information.

nancy.abeyta@yahoo.com





Quick note: The Spring Carnival will be held Saturday, May 4th from 2-5. This year the theme is Star Wars. For our fifth-grade class we will need to have a booth. Any ideas or help are welcomed. Please let me know if you are interested in helping us out, or if you have a gift basket or service you would like to donate to our silent auction.

Arabic AVANT testing next Monday April 1, 2019.

VIOLIN NEWS:

Sheet music and new practice video up for the "Star Spangled Banner"! Click <u>HERE</u> to rock out our national anthem!

Fifth Grade Arabic Update

In Arabic the students will continue learning about the unit "Sharing the planet." I will teach them vocabulary related to the unit, reading a new story. We will go over the new vocabulary, ask the students some questions about the story, and do a comprehension worksheet for the story.

They will continue learning about daily sentences and how to rearrange words to make meaningful sentences. This is different in Arabic than from English!

We will continue to play game called *Guess who?* in Arabic

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The NM International School Foundation is an independent, nonprofit, 501(c)3 tax-exempt entity that seeks to support the mission of NMIS.

News from NMISF:

Meeting Info - Interested in volunteering for the 2nd Annual Spring Carnival? Join us at *Tap That!* on Tuesday, April 2nd at 6pm. AND at our next *GENERAL MEETING on Tuesday, April 23rd* at 6pm, location TBD.

Goodwill Fundraiser - Saturday April 6th,

10am-2pm, school parking lot





Cruising Cones Fundraiser -

Visit the <u>Cruising Cones</u> truck at Truck-A-Palooza on Saturday, **April 6th** and 20% of sales go back to the school!

Spring Carnival

SAVE THE DATE!--Saturday, May 4th 2-5pm

IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS:

A couple of weeks left to donate a Silent Auction item! Classes/parents are organizing fun booths - get involved! Help spread the word - share the flyer/event with everyone you know!

***Email Puja Shah at presdevcom@nmisf.org today!







School Advisory Committee (SAC)

The SAC is a representative advisory body to the school governance and administration. Members represent their grade level constituency as well as oversee specific programs or events of the school. The current members are:

Member	email	Represents	Oversees organization of these events/programs
Christina Herrera Furst	chfurst@gmail.com	Kindergarten	World Poetry Day (21 March) Kinder graduation (21 May) All Aboard! Breakfast (2019)
Claudia Randolph	cllr0305@gmail.com	1st Grade	Liaison to Library Committee All Aboard! Breakfast (9 Aug) UN Day (24 Oct) World Poetry Day (21 March)
Shasta Leonhardt	shasta.leonhardt@gmail.com	2nd Grade	Liaison to After School Programs (Daycare and After School Classes) Earth Day (22 Apr) Talent Show (15 Feb)
Shari Beck	beautybybeck@comcast.net	3rd Grade	Liaison to Yearbook / School Photos Bienvenidos Picnic (26 Aug) Fall Picture Day (17-18 Sept) Int'l Day of Tolerance (16 Nov) Spring Photo Day (4-5 March)
Miguel Garcia	garcia0428@hotmail.com	4th Grade	Liaison to Catered Lunch Program Winter Violin Concert (14 Dec) Water Day/Last Day (22 May) Spring Violin Concert (10 May) Bienvenidos Picnic (2019)
Nancy Abeyta	nancy.abeyta@yahoo.com	5th Grade	Liaison to Uniform Program World Teacher Day & ABQ Aloft Event (5 Oct) School Choice Week (28 Jan - 1 Feb)) 5th Grade Graduation (21 May)
Alisa Cooper de Uribe	nmis.cooperdeuribe@gmail.com	Staff	





SAC Regular Meeting Schedule

All SAC meetings are at 6:00 pm in NMIS Conference Room and are open public meetings. Agendas and past meeting minutes are posted at entrance of school, as well as on the school's website at http://nmis.org/ee/governance/sac

23 August 2018

• 4 December 2018

• 6 March 2019

• 3 October 2018

• 30 January 2019 • 1 May 2019

Library News

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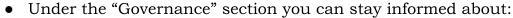




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Visit our website at www.nmis.org

- Under the "For Parents and Students" section you can:
 - Review our *Family Handbook*
 - Download important forms
 - Learn about volunteer committees
 - Search the *entire contents* of the NMIS library, learn how to put books on hold, or even recommend new books!



- The Governing Council
- The School Advisory Committee
- The Audit and Finance Committee
- Under "Calendar" you can see important events and dates
- Under "NMIS News" you can find current and archived editions of *El Correcaminos*, plus all released relevant attachments.

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https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/o45nr4cv9lcl6ihod60eukcga0%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics

Also....

Don't forget to keep up to date with the **NM International School Foundation** (a non-profit 501c3 organization that supports NMIS) by visiting their website at www.nmisf.org or by following them at www.facebook.com/nmisf







New Mexico International School (NMIS) is an International Baccalaureate **World School** offering the **Primary Years Programme (PYP)**. We share a common philosophy with other World Schools across the globe – a commitment to high quality, challenging, international education that New



Mexico International School believes is important for our students. Only schools authorized by the IB Organization can offer any of its three academic programmes: The Primary Years' Programme (PYP), the Middle Years' Programme (MYP), or the Diploma Programme (in addition



to the IB Career-related certificate). In addition, NMIS is an **Dual Language Immersion school**. We immerse our students into a Spanish language environment beginning in kindergarten with the goal of making our students biliterate in Spanish and English by grade 5.

School Hours

M, T, Th, Fr: 8:30-3:00 W: 8:30-2:00

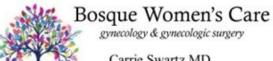
Office Hours
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