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# Knouse Knews

“All the Knews You Kneed to Know”

By Todd Knouse, Head of School

## **Let's Go, Ocho!**

I cannot believe we are launching our eighth year of providing quality bilingual and international education to local students! This is going to be an amazing year. It will be our last year in our current school campus - and our *last year* as a K-5 school (as we add 6th grade when we move).

We begin our expansion this year by adding our third kindergarten class and a second fourth grade class. We are a growing family!

Please stop by the school for ***Meet the Teacher on Wednesday, 8 August from 1:30-3:30 pm.*** That is when your child will find out who his/her teacher is.

***First day of school is Thursday, 9 August. Class begins promptly at 8:30 am.***

## **Before and After School Supervision**

I was saddened to learn of the closure of Roadrunner After School Program over the summer. However, I'm happy to announce



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NMIS is launching its own “in house” on-site extended hours care. We will be providing both before school and after school day care to NMIS families. This program is called “**La Guarderia de NMIS**” and is a fee-based service.

Morning care will be offered from 7:00 am until the start of school.

Afternoon care will be offered from school dismissal until 6:00pm.

Space is limited to register and payment in advance is required. Spaces will be given on a first come first served basis.

Sign up at:

**<https://app.simplyafterschool.com/NewMexicoInternationalSchool>**

As of now, we are accepting sign ups for the month of August and September. Sign ups for October will come out at the end of August.

More information and instructions on how to register and pay for this service are included in the attachment to this newsletter.

## **Uniforms and Supplies**

If you have not ordered uniforms, be sure to do so. **ALL STUDENTS must be in uniform on the first day of school.**

Supply lists are available in the “Parents and Students” section of

our website. Or you can visit the Foundation’s website at [www.nmisf.org](http://www.nmisf.org) and click and buy all your supplies in one step!

Copies of the uniform policy and supply lists are included with this newsletter.

## **The School Advisory Committee (SAC) Needs YOU!**

If you are looking for a meaningful way to be involved with NMIS, consider running for election to the School Advisory Committee (SAC). The SAC meets about 5-6 times per year and discusses matters going on at the school. They share input to school administration and also help with oversight of school programs and events. The SAC has a parent member from each grade level and one member from the faculty.

SAC members serve for two years. This fall we are electing parents to represent these grade levels

- Kindergarten
- Second grade
- Fourth grade

In addition, there is a special election for a one year term for:

- Third grade

If you are a parent in this grade, and you would like to run for election, **send a short bio** (like a paragraph) to



[nmis.knouse@gmail.com](mailto:nmis.knouse@gmail.com). Your bio will be put on the ballot.

Elections are held during the week of 13 August - 17 August. The first meeting is Thursday, 23 August.

### Beinvenidos Picnic!

Save the date for our 8th Annual Bienvenidos Picnic at Harkness Park in Los Ranchos on **Sunday 26 August, 2018**. More details to follow.

### Hot Lunch Catering Service

We will be continuing our service of hot-lunch ordering via Rhubarb and Elliott catering service. To order lunch, go to the following website. You can start placing orders **after 1 August 2018**.

<https://rhubarbandelliott.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>

Orders must be placed by 9:00 am. Your child's lunch will be delivered directly to school that day.

### PARCC Buzz

PARCC is the annual assessment given in English Language Arts and Mathematics each spring to all New Mexico students.

You may have heard in the local news that PARCC scores went up statewide by 2%.

While this is celebrated in the news, I'd like to share that **NMIS' results are far better**. See how we stack up to the state average over the past two years:

	2017 PARCC		2018 PARCC	
	English Language Arts % Proficient	Math % Proficient	English Language Arts % Proficient	Math % Proficient
State (grades 3-5)	25%	24%	26%	27%
NMIS (grades 3-5)	38.4%	45.3%	48.3%	52.3%



# Stay Informed!

**Visit** our website at [www.nmis.org](http://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!
- Under the “Governance” section you can stay informed about:
  - 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.



**Follow** us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/NewMexicoInternationalSchool](http://www.facebook.com/NewMexicoInternationalSchool)

**Connect** with our parent community by joining the closed Facebook group “Families of NMIS.” Loggin to Facebook, search “Families of NMIS” and then *ask to join*. NOTE that this closed group is not managed or directly affiliated with NMIS.

**Subscribe** to our text message alert system by texting “@nmis” to (253)299-2128 for last minute updates/reminders.

**Add our calendar** to your mobile device’s calendar app. To do so, click on this link (or copy/paste into a browser on your device):

<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](http://www.nmisf.org) or by following them at [www.facebook.com/nmisf](http://www.facebook.com/nmisf)



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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

M-F: 8:00-3:30

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## NMIS Sponsors

Thank you to our school sponsors. Want to sponsor the school? Contact our Finance Director, Corinne Teller, at [nmis.teller@gmail.com](mailto:nmis.teller@gmail.com) for pricing and options.



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