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# Knouse Knews

“All the Knews You Kneed to Know”

By Todd Knouse, Head of School

## **World Teacher Day and Balloon Aloft Needs Volunteers!!**

Our next big special event is World Teacher Day (which includes our Balloon Aloft event) on 5 October 2018. **We are in dire need of volunteers for this committee.**

This is a vital event and part of our school's history. It is how our community honors our amazing teaching staff. It is extremely important that we continue this

tradition - but to do so, we need a group of volunteers.

To sign up, email the SAC rep that oversees this event, Nancy Abeyta at [nancy.abeyta@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.abeyta@gmail.com)

## **Fall Field trip Fees**

Field trips will be starting soon, indeed some this week.

Please remember that participation on these trips is voluntary. Children that do not opt to participate will be given relevant curricular activities to do on



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campus while their class is away on these trips.

Children that want to participate must do the following:

1. Turn in a signed permission slip for each individual trip.
2. Pay field trip fees

Please remember that field trip fees are due today for field trips through winter break. Payments are made at:

<http://osp.osmsinc.com/NMIS/>

### **Fall Picture Day**

This year, we will have fall pictures on two different days: September 17 & 18, 2018. The parent organizer will share with us sometime this week specifics as to which day your child's class will have their pictures taken.

Fall picture days are for your child's yearbook picture. These pictures are taken in school uniform. There will be another photo day in the spring where children can get pictures taken in non-uniforms.

### **Personal Headphones for Computer Lab Use**

Your child is expected to have his/her personal headphones for use in the computer lab. The school has a limited number of loaner pairs, but they often fail to work, and there are hygiene concerns with use of these loaners. As such, please be sure your child brings his/her own headphones and keeps them on campus.



# This Week's Grade-by-Grade Update

## Kindergarten

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No update submitted. Contact your child's teacher directly for information about this week.

### **Kinder Violin Update:**

YouTube practice videos [HERE!](#)

Kinder Listening [HERE!](#)

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## First Grade

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This week we will transition into our third and last line of inquiry in our IB Unit theme of Who We Are. Our focus will be on "How human needs influence communities," and it will shift heavily to social studies, with activities related to groups, rules, schools, neighborhoods, and homes. We are excited that the students will design and then work together to build a class house or school out of cardboard boxes. If you have any extra boxes at home, please bring them in for us to use as construction materials. We have a number of readings lined up about

houses (or lack thereof) around the world, as well as a fun song, "[Some Houses](#)" by Billy Jonas.

Our language arts work remains focused on building more solid foundational skills and practicing our reading as syllabically as possible. Many of the texts for reading and topics for writing will revolve around homes and community. We will also continue to practice writing with an eye toward correct use of capitalization and punctuation. Our Spanish vocabulary words are **vivir, sana, persona, humano, comunidad,**



**unidad.** Our English spelling words are **up, us, run, fun, to, too.**

In math, we will move forward in Unit 2. [Please click here for an overview of the lessons.](#) This week, we will start exploring clocks and telling time to the nearest hour, as well as straightedges, dominoes, pennies, and nickels. We'll also be creating number museums in our classrooms with artifacts from home, so the children are encouraged to bring in calendars, coupons, business cards--anything that you all find in your world that shows numbers in real-world objects. On that note, we encourage

you to continue working with your child to learn their address and phone number. One resource you can use to print and fill out is the following:

[https://s3.amazonaws.com/everydaymath/em\\_at\\_home/Grade+1/home\\_link\\_2.1.pdf](https://s3.amazonaws.com/everydaymath/em_at_home/Grade+1/home_link_2.1.pdf)

**1st Grade Violin Update:**

**YouTube practice videos** [HERE!](#)

**Listen** to Lightly Row [HERE!](#)

**Note Reading Worksheet** [HERE!](#)

\*Reminder to please keep your child's fingernails trimmed! Basic violin technique will be much easier for them. Thanks!\*

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## Second Grade

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In IB, our second graders will continue studying the rock cycle and volcanoes. They will identify the 3 types of rocks and how they are formed. They will do various experiments in class that focus on the rock cycle and land formations.

This week in Math, the students will continue working on place value concepts, word problems involving addition and subtraction. They will also begin to use scales and indicate greater, lesser and equality based on weight.

In IB, our second graders will continue studying maps, land formations and create a book with various geographic faults.

In Social Studies, our students will learn how societies created legends to explain how earthquakes and volcanoes were formed.

The students will continue improving their spelling, penmanship, and writing skills through dictation.



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## Spelling Words For The Week:

1. Heat (Calor)
2. Pressure (Presión)
3. Eruption (Erupción)
4. Igneous (ígneas)
5. Sediments (sedimentos)
6. Metamorphic (metamórfica)
7. Climate (Clima)
8. Eruption (Erupción)
9. Magma (Magma)
10. Mineral (Mineral)

### **2nd Grade Violin Update:**

**YouTube Practice Videos:** [HERE!](#)

**Listen** to Go Tell Aunt Rhody [HERE!](#)

Note Reading **Worksheet** [HERE!](#)

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## Third Grade

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This week we will begin Stage 1 of the design of our migration board games. Our focus will be to:

- Play and evaluate different board games.
- List good and bad traits.
- Describe the various styles of games.

As students play and evaluate the different board games they will keep in mind the different push and pull factors involved in migration. The factors are: economic, political, cultural, and environmental.

**Field Trip:** Casa San Ysidro on September 13, 2018. Students should dress in light layers and where comfortable walking shoes.

**Math:** Students will take their assessment for Lesson 1 on Monday and begin Lesson 2 on Tuesday.

This week we will focus on comparing and ordering whole numbers and completing number sequences.

**Grammar:** We will review nouns and learn how to make singular nouns plural by adding *s*, *es*, and changing *y* to *i* and adding *-es*.

**Science:** Students will begin their research on birds. The focus of their research is: habitat, diet, nesting, migration, and song and calls.



**Language Arts:** In our Tesoros text, we will read *Mariposas criadas en casa*.

**Vocabulary:**

1. drink
  2. eight
  3. else
  4. enough
  5. especially
  6. every
  7. everybody
  8. everything
  9. except
  10. excited
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1. juego
  2. fichas

3. tablero
4. saltar
5. descartar
6. casillas
7. capturar
8. baraja
9. construir
10. diseñar

**3rd Grade Violin Update:**

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Listen to Perpetual Motion [HERE!](#)

Practice Worksheet [HERE!](#)

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## Fourth Grade

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This past week our 4th graders have been working on informational brochures or children's books that focus on our IB unit- How our Society's choices impact the planet. They have imbedded academic vocabulary into the booklets. Ask to see them later in the week! We also have been observing changes in our homemade landfill models, and watch videos and talk about alternatives to our current landfill and recycling systems. We begin a new unit in math this week: Place Value, and connections

to the real world using large numbers. We discovered that many students do not know their home address. Please go over that with them at home. We've moved on to focusing on the attribute of Inquirer. For the next few weeks we will be talking about and working on developing a questioning and curious mindset. We are also beginning to write in our Reflection journals. Reflection is an important part of any learning process, and students will be journaling in those a few times a week.



We encourage students to continue to take action in their lives by researching what they are interested in, answering questions for others or themselves, and investigating independent study at home. Your children have shared some amazing projects, posters and self-initiated learning due to our first unit on Recycling and human impact on the planet.

The Spelling Words for week are:

1. file
2. drive
3. Kite
4. Pies
5. Die
6. Wipe
7. Inside
8. Height
9. Pride
10. Spy

11. Sigh
12. Shy
13. Prime
14. Sly
15. Pry
16. Climb
17. Minding
18. Fright
19. Twice
20. Slight

**4th Grade Violin Update:**

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Note Reading **Worksheet** [HERE!](#)

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## Fifth Grade

Maestra Ivonné Bouché [nmis.bouche@gmail.com](mailto:nmis.bouche@gmail.com)

9.7.18

Dear Parents,

Our Zimmerman field trip is here. We will be on a field trip, Monday, September 10th going to UNM Zimmerman library where we will be taking a tour and a class during the morning. We will then have lunch at Frontier and walk back to the duck pond to wait for our bus. If you did not get to chaperone this field trip, not to worry. We have plenty of opportunities throughout the year.

On Tuesday, we will have our Grandparent's breakfast. If you are helping out organize and clean up that morning, please email or text me by tomorrow. Organizing will begin at 8:30. The breakfast will begin at 9am.



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If grandma or grandpa are coming for breakfast or storytelling time, please let me know by emailing me or texting "grandma/grandpa coming to breakfast" or "grandma/grandpa coming to the storytelling". Thank you for your food donation for that morning and for allowing for this beautiful memory to happen for your child.

LA. In our Weekday Workouts this week we will be working with idioms. Our spelling list this week is: clear, nerve, squirt, verse, surf, lurk, year, stern, spurts, lurch, blurt, thirst, spur, engineer, jeer, sneer, dreary, squirm, swerve, and yearns.

MATH. Our math lesson this week will include estimation. Our vocabulary that we will add to our composition notebooks will include magnitude estimate, maximum, mean, median, minimum, partial-sums addition, place value, range, and reaction time. We will learn about estimation strategies.

IB. Our class is continuing to complete their family trees. Please remember to send in pictures of your parents and grandparents. Our goal as a class is to include 4 generations in our trees. (ourselves, parents, grandparents and great grandparents) Please support your student by offering up this information for their trees.

We will begin the study of the water cycle and more on planetary study. We learn about our earth and universe as we continue the study of the cenotes/xenotes in Mexico and the large meteor that crashed there about a thousand years ago. More on this detail.

Reflection time. This week we did a great many things working with others. One of the activities we did was our special bonding time with first graders. Your child helped a first grader create "casitas de galletas". Your child was a "casita engineer"! They worked with others, taught another student how to organize their ideas or thoughts into building a casita made out of edible yummys. Thank you to Ms. Alisa for inviting us to create with her. Your child learned how to problem solve, be "solidario", "pensador", "audaz", "reflectivo" and collaborate during this activity. Ask your child about what they do when we participate in Proyectos Kinder/Primero each week. This activity will help your child plan out their pueblo "casitas" when we





construct our own in the next couple of weeks. We will study the 19 pueblos and build replicas of "casitas", "iglesias", and other buildings in the pueblos. Have a great weekend!

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**Maestra Bouché**  
**5th Grade Teacher**

Note Reading Worksheet [HERE!](#)

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**5th Grade Violin Update:**

**YouTube Practice Videos [HERE!](#)**

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# NM International School Foundation (NMISF)

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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 and the Development Committee**

**Meeting Info** - Volunteers are always needed! Our next *GENERAL MEETING is Tuesday, September 25th* at 6pm, La Plaza and every 3rd Tuesday after that. *SPECIAL GOLF EVENT MEETING is Tuesday September 18th* at 6pm, La Plaza. Bring a friend, your meal, even the kiddo(s)!

**Golf Classic** - *DEADLINE for team and sponsorship registration is Tuesday, September 18th!!!*  
Hurry, spots are filling up!



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Contact Puja Shah at 505-414-9094

**Stay in the Know** - Check out the [NMISF Bulletin Board](#) directly across from the nurses office for meeting agendas and minutes, upcoming events, and more!

**Fun Family Fundraiser at Chipotle Tuesday, October 2nd from 4-8pm** - 8120 San Pedro Drive NE (off Paseo del Norte). While dining at Chipotle mention when placing your order you are there for the New Mexico International School fundraiser and our school will receive 33% of the proceeds!

## 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	<a href="mailto:chfurst@gmail.com">chfurst@gmail.com</a>	Kindergarten	World Poetry Day (21 March) Kinder graduation (21 May) <i>All Aboard!</i> Breakfast (2019)
Claudia Randolph	<a href="mailto:cldr0305@gmail.com">cldr0305@gmail.com</a>	1st Grade	Liaison to Library Committee <i>All Aboard!</i> Breakfast (9 Aug) UN Day (24 Oct) World Poetry Day (21 March)
Shasta Leonhardt	<a href="mailto:shasta.leonhardt@gmail.com">shasta.leonhardt@gmail.com</a>	2nd Grade	Liaison to After School Programs (Daycare and After School Classes) Earth Day (22 Apr) Talent Show (15 Feb)
Shari Beck	<a href="mailto:beautybybeck@comcast.net">beautybybeck@comcast.net</a>	3rd Grade	Liaison to Yearbook / School Photos <i>Bienvenidos</i> Picnic (26 Aug) Fall Picture Day (17-18 Sept) Int'l Day of Tolerance (16 Nov) Spring Photo Day (4-5 March)



David Vigil	<a href="mailto:davidvigil@gmail.com">davidvigil@gmail.com</a>	4th Grade	Liaison to Catered Lunch Program Winter Violin Concert (14 Dec) Water Day/Last Day (22 May) Spring Violin Concert (10 May) <i>Bienvenidos</i> Picnic (2019)
Nancy Abeyta	<a href="mailto:nancy.abeyta@yahoo.com">nancy.abeyta@yahoo.com</a>	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 or Jill Salley	<a href="mailto:nmis.cooperdeuribe@gmail.com">nmis.cooperdeuribe@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:nmis.salley@gmail.com">nmis.salley@gmail.com</a>	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
- 28 November 2018
- 6 March 2019
- 3 October 2018
- 30 January 2019
- 1 May 2019

## News from SAC

No updates at this time.



# 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
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**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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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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