

ROCKY'S REPORT

5/26/2023

Spanish

¡Hola Familias!

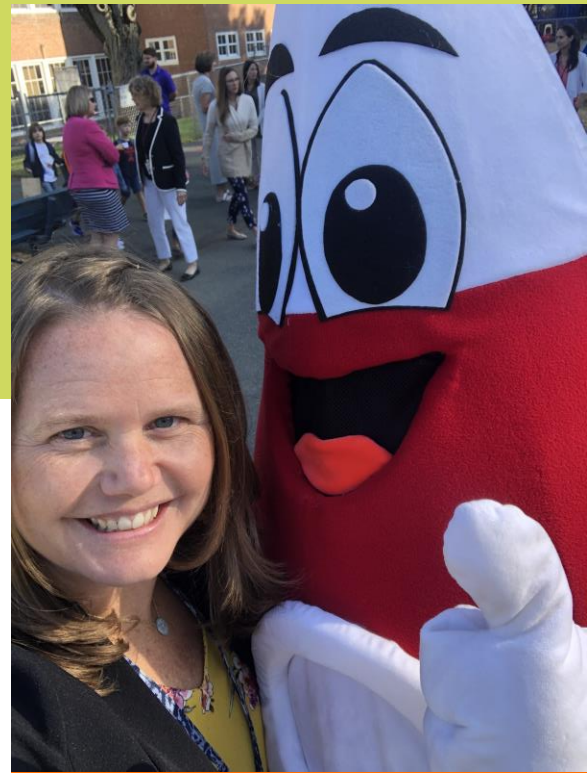
If we haven't met yet, our names are Dana Tracy and Debbie Lubas. It is our pleasure to be teaching your child Spanish this year. We instruct two or three times a week for twenty minutes in grades two through four and every day for fifteen minutes in kindergarten and first grade. Here is a peek at what we are up to in each of these grades:

Kindergarten Spanish Program:

Kindergarten students have been identifying and describing what they see and like in the springtime such as birds, insects and flowers... Students are practicing how to say what they want or don't want in their backyard or local park. Proficiency is on the rise as students are able to describe their new vocabulary using colors, numbers and sizes. Our students practice the language through interactive lessons and answering questions in the target language. Choral repetition of the language and picture prompts are used to solicit conversation or vocabulary and to perfect their pronunciation. Students at this early age learn quickly and have excellent pronunciation!

Learning another language is not only learning different words for the same things, but learning another way to think about things.

– Flora Lewis



Important Dates

NO SCHOOL:

May 29, 2023

EARLY DISMISSAL:

June 13, 2023

Last Day of School

Early Dismissal Day –
Dismissal at 1:15 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

First Grade Spanish Program:

Students are working on expanding their language skills by stretching out their responses to questions into sentences. They just completed a shopping unit where they learned how to say what they needed, where they were going shopping and how much items cost in euros. Currently they are beginning a unit on organisms and birds which aligns with their science curriculum.

Second Grade Program:

Second grade students just finished a unit about ordering food in a restaurant. They learned how to greet someone politely, ask and answer what they wanted to eat or drink and finally ask and answer how much something costs in Mexican pesos. They are currently starting a unit on pollinators to align with their science curriculum.

Third Grade Program:

Third grade students recently completed their bi-annual oral proficiency assessments. They each had a conversation with a partner or small group that was recorded. Students were able to review their assessment videos from December and May in order to assess their proficiency levels and set goals for the future. It is truly impressive how self-aware they are! They are currently in a unit about how to go shopping and say how much things cost.

Fourth grade Program:

Students recently completed their bi-annual oral proficiency assessments. Each student had a conversation with a partner or small group that was recorded. Students were able to review their assessment videos from December and May in order to assess their proficiency levels and set goals for the future. It is truly impressive how self-aware they are! Students are now continuing a unit about planning a “fiesta”. They will prepare invitations with the date, location, and say what activity they are going to do at the party.

Questions? Please visit our [webpage](#) found on the school’s main page under the link “World Language Program” or have your child share what they have in their Spanish Google Classroom to find songs and other resources your child can use at home to practice or just have fun!

Warmly,

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