

NOTICIAS DE LA CLASE DE ESPAÑOL



Las Fallas de Valencia traditionally occur the week of March 19 each year. This year's celebration has been postponed until later in 2021 due to Covid-19 restrictions, but you can [click here](#) to learn more about this unique, beautiful celebration



The arrival of Spring also brings the arrival of Kukulcan at the ruins of Chichen Itza in Mexico. [Click here](#) to learn more about this amazing image that appears on the side of the pyramid when the sun is at the perfect angle on the Vernal Equinox.

Did you know...

That there is a connection between Mexico and Ireland that is celebrated each year on St. Patrick's Day??

information from this article: [The Irish Post](#)



The Saint Patrick's Battalion was a unit of 175 mostly Irish immigrants who defected from the United States Army to fight for Mexico during the Mexican-American War of 1846-1848. The men of Batallón de San Patricio are still remembered fondly today both in Ireland and Mexico, where the latter continue to memorialise the men on both September 12 and on Saint Patrick's Day on March 17.

All students should be working on their March Choice Board

4th and 5th Grades

We have been learning cardinal numbers, ordinal numbers, and how to tell time in Spanish. We read a story about a young man who missed his flight to Hawaii and enjoyed a song about Emma who has OCHO EXCUSAS SINCERAS for her Spanish teacher about why she doesn't have her Spanish homework.

Parents: ask students to sing the clock song to you AND to play the Sr. Wooly Song LAS EXCUSAS for you.

Coming up next: Sea turtles in danger, environmental unit



6th Grade

Sixth graders have been studying LOS DEPORTES (sports) and the verb JUGAR. They have learned about the interesting physical challenges that Lionel Messi had to overcome to become one of the most celebrated soccer players in the world.

Parents: ask your student to tell you about Messi AND to play you the song/workout video we enjoyed called La Cumbia de Messi (linked on the WAG).

Coming up next: Bullfighting in Spain, connections with the book/movie Ferdinand the Bull.



7th Grade

Seventh Graders have been studying el Biblioburro (the library donkey) that brings books to rural areas in Colombia. We made connections with service learning projects: identifying a need in your community and then creating a solution to meet that need. Students also learned about landmines still buried in the Colombian countryside after over 50 years of conflict between the FARC rebels and the government. **Parents:** ask your student describe the Biblioburro to you.

Coming up next: Los Yips de Colombia, Selena Quintanilla



8th Grade

Eighth graders have been exposed to both the Preterite and Imperfect past tenses in Spanish. We have begun our study of the Incan Legend "El Lago Encantado".

Parents: ask your student to share some interesting facts about the Incas, especially about the chasquis and their quipus.

Coming up next: Legends from the Incas, Mayas, and Aztecas