Bienvenidos to Term dos in Spanish!

Year Level: PREP, Grade 1 and 2, Grades 3 and 4.

Queridos padres, tutores y familias,
Dear parents, guardians and families,

Was it only me, or did the Easter holidays go quick? I want to share my beautiful Easter time with you because it was very special for me. I went to Spain and saw all my family and friends. It was my first trip back to Spain since first arriving in Australia one and a half years ago. For the trip over, I filled my luggage with Australian things to give out to my family and friends. I have to say that my family was very happy to see me but not so much the vegemite. I gave my father a little bit on a teaspoon, just for fun, and he thought I was joking with him about it being food, he thought it was a product for his shoes; I couldn’t stop laughing. Later I prepared a piece of toast with vegemite for him and he still couldn’t get use to the flavour. He said ‘I think this vegemite jar will live with us forever.’

I didn’t forget my students at Sunshine Heights PS. During my trip I went to many different places to find Spanish resources for our Spanish classroom; such us books, puzzles, card games, a Spanish costume, castanets, stickers,… 14kg in total! These will come in handy throughout the year.

I am fired up and ready to continue expanding upon the Spanish knowledge that our children learnt last term, this includes topics about: greetings and farewells, myself and the class.

what children from Prep can expect to learn for this term will be:

-Introducing themselves and saying their age in Spanish. ‘I am...’ (yo soy...) and ‘I am five years old’ (yo tengo cinco años).

-Vocabulary related to the family and parts of the face.

-Numbers from one to five.

-Primary colours: rojo, azul and Amarillo.

what children from Grade 1 & 2 can expect to learn for this term will be:

-Saying their age in Spanish: ‘I am seven years old’ (yo tengo siete años).

-Introducing family members and talking about their pets : ‘my mum is called’ (mi mamá se llama...) and ‘I have...’ (Yo tengo...).

-Vocabulary related to the family and parts of the face.

-Numbers from one to ten.

-Colours: rojo, azul, amarillo, verde and naranja.

what children from Grade 3 & 4 can expect to learn for this term will be:

-Saying their age in Spanish: ‘I am nine years old’ (yo tengo nueve años).
-Expressions about; when is their birthday and where they are from: ‘my birthday is the 7th of October’ (mi cumpleaños es el 7 de Octubre) and ‘ I am from...’ (Yo soy de...).

-Expressing likes and dislikes with vocabulary related to sport.

-Numbers from one to fifteen.

-Identifying different colours.

-Recognising some letters of the Spanish alphabet and noticing that Spanish uses the same alphabet as English, except for the letter, ‘ñ’.

I am looking forward to lots of fun Spanish lessons with your children and welcome you all to share and enjoy in the new Spanish to be learnt for this term.

I have included a couple of pictures from my trip to Spain for Easter to share with you. The first is of me and my family the morning I arrived. Can you spot the vegemite jar? The second is a picture of one of the Easter processions in my town. There are about 30 of these over the whole week of Easter. Easter in the South of Spain is very different to here in Australia.

Saludos,

Regards,

Señorita Irene.