



## BOLETIN DE ENERO 2012

### ¡BIENVENIDOS DE REGRESO!

I hope that the students, Amiguitos staff, and their families had an enjoyable and restful vacation and are ready to start 2012 full of energy and joy.

### WELCOME BACK!

### LA POSADA

Once again GRACIAS to all those parents who helped at the Posada setting up the piñatas, and cleaning up the Milwaukie Center. Special thanks to Santa ☺

### THE POSADA

### DIAS CON NIEVE

If we have ice or snow and we have to close the school, I will communicate it to you through an email message by 7 AM. Please check your messages. You can also check our page in Facebook or call my cell phone 503-720-6457.

### SNOW DAYS

### PROXIMO AÑO ESCOLAR

Thank you to all the parents who met with me to review the children's evaluations and talk about our next school year. We have many students graduating and many who cannot make commitments until the school lotteries in immersion programs are done.

### NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

**At this time, the school year 2011-2012 is as follows:**

**TTH Beginners- 19 openings**

**MWF Beginners- 2 openings**

**TTH Intermediate- full (+1 on wait list)**

**MWF Intermediate- full**

**Pre-K- 12 students, pending evaluation in the spring**

**Full-day K- 12 students (w/4 question marks)**

**Half-day K - 2 students**

### LISTO PARA KINDERGARTEN?

### READY FOR KINDERGARTEN?

That's a question many parents are asking themselves. Is my child ready for kindergarten? You may want to visit the following website:

<http://school.familyeducation.com/kindergarten/parenting/36063.html?detoured=1>

### ALGUNA VEZ HAS PENSADO..

### HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT..

Have you ever figured out how much you pay per hour at Amiguitos? The more days your child attends, the more Spanish he/she learns and the better value it is for you. If you can, think about increasing the number of days your child attends next school year.

¡FELIZ CUMPLEAÑOS!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Name	Program	Birthday	Age
Veda Wright	TTH Morado	1/19/09	3
Reese Kile	MWF Verde	1/28/07	5
Rayvn Skondin	MWF Verde	1/1/07	5
Andrea Castillo	MWF Verde	1/7/08	4
Freya Raybold	TTH Verde	1/19/07	5
Piper Jones	Pre-K	1/7/07	5
Ella Reams	Pre-K	1/8/07	5
Autumn Sheeh	Pre-K	1/13/07	5
Ella Hawkins	Pre-K	1/29/07	5

IF I MISSED STUDENTS BORN IN JANUARY, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

**NO HAY CLASES**

On Monday, January 16, the school will be closed in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King. GRACIAS.

**NO SCHOOL**

**FERIA DEL LIBRO**

Thanks to Beth Caldwell and Carol Wright who are organizing our book fair to be held in February ☺

**BOOK FAIR**

**NOMBRES**

Once again I am asking you to **write your child's name** on his/her jacket, hat and gloves. The children sometimes take them off in odd places and we cannot figure out who they belong to.

**NAMES**

**HACE FRIO**

Our playground has lots of trees and it is shaded. Please make sure you dress your children appropriately -WARM JACKETS, HATS AND GLOVES. Boots are great on rainy days. We appreciate your cooperation.

**IT'S COLD**

**CURRICULO**

This month we are talking about weather and appropriate clothing for each season. Kindergarteners are learning about the water cycle in their science class. On January 30 we start our new topic *La Familia*.

**CURRICULUM**

**GRACIAS! GRACIAS!**

**The entire staff at Amiguitos wishes to thank you for your generosity.**

**YOUR CHILDREN WILL ENJOY SOME ROSCA DE REYES ON JAN. 5/6. READ BELOW.**



### LOS TRES REYES MAGOS

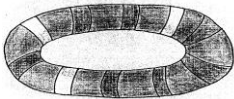
According to sacred history, January 6<sup>th</sup> was the day when the Three Wise Men arrived to the manger in Bethlehem where Jesus was born. They wanted to see, worship and give presents to the Messiah. The Kings were from far away lands and traveled on a horse, camel and an elephant. Their names were Melchor, Gaspar and Baltasar. Their gifts to Jesus were gold, incense and myrrh.



Tradition says that The Reyes Magos take gifts to all the children who behave well all year. The children send a letter, with their requests, to the Kings by tying it to a balloon filled with helium that they release into the sky (where the Kings live).



On the evening of Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, the children leave one of their **shoes** by their beds or by the nativity scene. Some children leave 3 glasses of water. The shoe will help the Kings identify the children who live there and the water is for the Kings who are very thirsty because of their long journey. The next morning the children wake up to find their gifts under their shoes!



On the evening of Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, family and friends get together to share a Rosca de Reyes which is a special bread in the shape of a ring. This bread is sweet and is decorated with colorful sugar or candied fruit that represent jewels. Each individual cuts his own bread because he may find a doll. The person who finds the doll will have good luck all year, but he has to host a tamal party on Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>!!

**You can buy Roscas de reyes at the Panadería Cinco de Mayo (8416 SE 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave.971-206-1200). They are available until Jan. 8, 2012.**

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CONCERNS OR SUGGESTIONS, PLEASE CALL ME OR SEND ME AN EMAIL [Ayde@Amiguitos.comcastbiz.net](mailto:Ayde@Amiguitos.comcastbiz.net)