



Congratulations to our brilliant stars at Lingua Natal for having passed their exam and having been accepted at EUSD for the DLI program as native speakers.

Warm hugs and congratulation also to Ashley & Jack Guevara for the birth of their little girl, Claire.

It's unbelievable that our school year is coming slowly to an end. We are already getting prepared for our Family Days at school at the end of May as well as our Graduation Day and End of the Year celebration at the park.

We are planning on taking our Group pictures on Monday 4-22 (all Doves and Swans) and Tuesday 4-23 (all Nightingales). Please make sure your child attends on his/her picture day at the time that was mentioned to you in the email I sent on 4-15.

Our Summer Camp registration is ongoing until we have space available. However, it would be best if we could get an idea of your plans no later than May 15th.

We have added two new programs this summer, both for students 6 to 9 years! One is an Art Camp a few afternoons per week for 6 weeks and one is a reinforcement program in language acquisition (includes Reading and Writing) for DLI students finishing K and first grade. Please help us spread the news.

With warm regards

Lena Sisson

Principal & Founder Lingua Natal

Summer Immersion Art Camp for 6-9 years – all levels

Theme: Animals in their Habitats

Activities: Drawing; Watercolor; Papier mâché masks; Clay as well as games.

Date and times: July 8 - August 16 (6 weeks)
M/W/F 2:30-4:30

Minimum three afternoons per week and three weeks minimum

Reading & Writing Reinforcement Camp - Grades K – 2

6 to 8 years DLI Students

Activities: Interactive lessons, Word games, Reading skills & Creative writing

Date & Times: July 9-August 15 (6 weeks)
Tues./Thurs. 3:15-4:45pm

Minimum four weeks

This is a special program for the Students at EUSD who need help with Reading and Writing



Summer Program 2024 - 2 to 6 years

Registration starts March 1st – May 17th

The Program is open to children finishing K and first grade also.

Theme: Exploring the Oceans

June 24th - July 31st

Full days Doves and Swans: 9:00-3:00 pm

Half days Doves and Swans: 9:00-1:00 pm

Full days Nightingales: 8:30-2:30 pm

Half days Nightingales: 8:30-1:30 pm

Sign up here if you wish for your child to participate in the 5.5 weeks available.



Please note that you should send in the registration Form is you wish to register for any time less than the full five and a half weeks.





Spring Camp Pictures



Field Trip Pictures





Family Day Festival

In the years after COVID, we are holding our Family days towards the end of the year to help bring a close to the year. Parents come in to see a special video of their children. Parents bring in a picnic lunch and a blanket to sit on – children and parents have lunch on the patio. Children bake cookies for that day and make a gift for their family. We also give parents their child's class picture and his/her certificate of accomplishment on that same day.

Nightingales News

Geography: North America – countries, flags, capital cities, interesting places and customs, products.

Science: The animals of North America; different animal habitats in north America; The gifts of the Earth; The three R's (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle); Sweet water versus salt water; Maple syrup – where it comes from and how it's prepared; Cotton – what it is (the fruit of a plant) and how we use it to make clothes.

Virtues/Gifts of the heart: Responsibility/Respect/Kindness (repeated from semester 1) + honesty & mindfulness

Art Curriculum: Groups A and B have finished learning about Picasso, his art and techniques and will start learning about Monet and his technique in May.

Mandarin: We started with one afternoon per group per week of Mandarin the week of April 15.

Songs, play (theater), cultural games and poetry: students have been busy learning and rehearsing in April.

Earth Day Celebration:

We will celebrate Earth Day on Monday 4-22 with all our Nightingales. We have already made two pinatas for the occasion (one we will give as a gift to the Doves and Swans). We are planning on doing an art activity, eat ice shaving with maple syrup (since we have learned about how it is made and that it is a product of Canada and the US – two of the countries in North America that we are studying) and will also have popcorn for the breaking of our pinata.

Nightingales' Graduation:

Please note that students going into K and 1 st grade ONLY will be graduating.

Students who will enter TK/Pre/K in August will receive their class picture and certification during our Family Festival.



Nightingales Community Pictures



Doves & Swans News

We are continuing to learn about the insects with the Doves and Swans.
No new songs have been added since the children have been busy learning to perform their songs.

Please send veggies/fruits for the Guinea pigs.

You can also adopt two of our older guinea pigs for the weekend or long Holidays



Doves & Swans Community Pictures



Calendar

- Friday Night out April 19th
- Drop off Nightingales T shirts by Friday 4-19
- Earth Day Celebration: April 22
- All Doves and Swans Picture Day: Monday 4-22
- All Nightingales Picture Day: Tuesday 4-22
- Doves and Swans Family Days: Tues.& Weds. 5-28 & 5-29, 11:30-12:30pm.
- Nightingales Family Days: Thurs. & Fri. 5-30 & 5-31, 11:30-12:30pm.
- Graduation Day (only for students entering K and 1 st grade): Friday 6-14, 1:50-2:50 pm
- End of the year party at the park: Saturday 6-15. 10:30-1:30. Bring your own picnic lunch. Drinks, water and activities for the children will be provided.

Birthdays

Please find attached our March and April scheduled birthdays and confirm if the day we have chosen for your child's celebration works for you. Send us a quick email to Jardin@linguanatal.com with a copy to Javier@linguanatal.com

The "Dance Around The Sun" schedule:

Doves/Swans: 11:30 am

Nightingales: 12:00 pm

NOTES:

- 1- Facilitators will no longer send emails.
- 2- Bring pictures for each year to share with your child's class or send them via email to Jardin@linguanatal.com

Poem

May we raise children
who love the unloved
things, the dandelion, the
worms and spiderlings.
Children who sense
the rose needs the thorn
And run into rainswept days
the same way they
turn towards sun
And when they're grown and
someone has to speak for those
who have no voice
may they draw upon that
wilder bond, those days of
tending tender things
and be the ones ..



~ Nicolette Sowder ~

