

THE GLOBAL CONNECTION
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Skyline School, Solana Beach, California



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IMPORTANT DATES

- 1/15: MLK, Jr. Holiday-NO SCHOOL
- 1/25: GE Parent Informational Mtg., 7PM, Solana Highlands
- 2/2 Colonial Day & Colonial Dance at 6:30, PM, Solana Pacific
- 2/9: 100th Day of School
- *2/14-16: Rooms 33 & 34 to Astro Camp
- 2/19-2/23 : February break-NO SCHOOL
- 2/28 Courtney & Bostrom to Mission San Juan Capistrano


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FAREWELL AND WELCOME

Kathy Allen, our kindergarten instructional assistant, has recently retired after working in Mrs. Leidy's class for the last ten years. She has helped our littlest children learn in the classroom and play fairly on the playground. Kathy has a long history with Global Education. Both of her sons attended the program. She volunteered in her sons' classrooms and also worked at CDC. Kathy happily joins her husband Bruce in retirement. We thank her for all that she brought to Global Ed. We now welcome Deborah Hasley as the new instructional aide in Mrs. Leidy's class. She previously worked in the nutritional services department at Skyline and is a familiar face to all of the GE kids. Deborah is already a member of the Solana Highlands community where she previously volunteered in her daughter's classrooms. We are so fortunate to have Deborah join our team!

WELCOME!

GLOBAL EDUCATION PARENT INFORMATIONAL NIGHT

Though we are just days into the new year, we are already thinking about the 2018-2019 school year. We will have a parent information night on Thursday January 25 at 7:00 pm in Solana Highland's upper media center to share information about the Global Education program with prospective parents. **This meeting is mandatory for all prospective parents.** If you have any friends and/ or neighbors who are interested in perhaps joining Global Education, they need to attend this meeting. Please help us by inviting people to join us at this important meeting. We also need support in getting the meeting notice to the area preschools. The registration process follows a timeline to facilitate enrollment by the end of the school year. The deadline for enrollment is on March 30th. Please note that this is also the deadline for requesting a strand change for your child. Please submit your strand change letter to Lisa Denham. It is important to note that siblings of current Global Ed. students planning to join Global Ed next year need to submit a registration form too. If you do not plan to have your child continue in Global Education, please inform your child's teacher as soon as possible. We need to know what slots might become available in the fall.

A COLONIAL EVENING As part of our theme of exploration and migration, we begin our study of the colonial period in American history. Children will be learning about life in the colonies and will participate in learning a colonial dance. Each class will perform its colonial dance for parents and friends on Friday February 2nd at 6:30 pm at SOLANA PACIFIC. The children will need to arrive at school by 6:15 to prepare for the performance. Details regarding a specific costume for your child will be sent home by your child's teacher. What would a G.E. event be without costumes?! The costumes may be as simple as dark pants rolled up or tucked into long, white socks and a white shirt for boys and white tops and long skirts for the girls. Please refer to your classroom directions for any other costume details. If you know that your child will not be able to participate in the evening performance, please let your classroom teacher know as soon as possible. It is helpful to have an accurate number when planning the dance. It should be a wonderful evening. We hope to see you there!

THANK YOU!

Thanks to all of the Global Ed. families who participated in our annual "adopt-a-family" program for the holidays. We were so impressed with the generous volume of gifts we received to deliver to our special families. Your kind gifts and grocery gift cards were much appreciated by the local families who received them. Thank you for making their holidays bright!

Primary Global Education News

TOPIC SHARING SCHEDULE

January 8-12: Open sharing

January 16-19: Ancestor sharing

January 22-26: Open sharing

Jan. 29- Feb.2: Rainforest animal poster report

February 5-9: 100's collection

February 12-16: Open sharing

February 26- March 2: Open sharing

ANCESTOR SHARING

(January 16-19)

We are studying how and why people and animals migrate. This topic sharing will require a world map that will be sent home with your child a week prior to topic sharing. Parents will need to discuss with their child where their families originated and locate these countries on the world map. The map should be labeled to indicate from which countries the child's mother's family and the child's father's family originated.

RAINFOREST ANIMAL POSTER REPORT

(January 29- February2) We have begun our study of the rainforest and the animals that inhabit it. Your child is to pick one animal that lives in the rain forest and create a poster report that includes:

- a picture of the animal (drawn, from a magazine or the Internet)
- a description of the animal in terms of size, and features
- a description of what the animal eats (its prey)
- a description of its habitat (where it lives in the forest)
- a description of its predators and how it protects itself
- any other interesting facts

Remember to have your child write the poster in his/her own words. Please have your child practice presenting the poster before his/her sharing day. We appreciate it if you use the poster paper that we send home.

ONE HUNDRED ITEMS MUSEUM

(February 5-9) Help your child find something interesting to count and bring in for the 100 museum. It is fun to see if the children can create the lightest/heaviest collection, the most colorful, the funniest, etc. Collection size will be limited to what students can carry all by themselves. This collection is to be brought in on your child's sharing day.