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The Global Connection

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WELCOME BACK!

We are excited to share this unique school year with you and your child. Together we will learn to successfully navigate remote learning to provide a strong learning experience for your child. You can help set the stage at home by doing the following:

1. Have your child eat breakfast and get dressed before our first meeting of the day.
2. Have your child sit in a quiet place preferably at a table for instruction.
3. Have your child wear headphones to minimize distractions at home.
4. Have your child charge his/her iPad every night so that it is ready to go each day.

Your child should approach each day as a REAL school day! The materials sent home by your teacher need to stay organized, so that they can be used for remote learning and eventually be returned to school for learning in the classroom.

Whether at home or at school, our mission statement remains the same:

Our mission as the Global Education program is to inspire active, reflective, and empathic learners committed to understanding diverse perspectives in a student-centered learning environment that nurtures the whole child.

*Please revisit our community agreement on the Global Ed homepage.

<https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/cms/lib/CA01001886/Centricity/domain/519/2014-2015/GE%20Community%20Agreement.pdf>

IMPORTANT DATES

8/24: (Virtual) Mini-Open House 1:00-2:00

8/25: First day of school 9:00-3:00

9/7: Labor Day- NO SCHOOL



MEET THE WONDERFUL INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES IN GLOBAL ED.!



TRACI BRAZIL

I'm so excited to get to work with all of you this year! I grew up in Idaho and lived there for 30 years until we moved to Virginia. After Virginia we moved to Lemoore, CA (I bet most of you don't know where that is) and then here to Pacific Beach. My husband is in the Navy. I have two kids, one daughter who is married and lives in Virginia and my 14 -year old son who lives here with us. I love to read and play with my big bulldog Harley! My favorite part about working at Skyline is seeing how much fun all the kids have with the things they learn in the Global Education program.



DIPALI KHANVILKAR

Hello! My name is Mrs K, Kindergarten is My favorite grade and I can't wait to spend the year learning and having fun with you all. I believe in teaching and taking care of child's social, emotional, physical, and intellectual needs. In my free time, I love spending time with my family- My wonderful husband, my two lovely kiddos and our awesome dog Joy. I live in Carmel-Valley and love playing tennis and going on hikes (You might bump into me at Torrey pines beach on the weekend!)

TRACY MUELLER



I live in fabulous Encinitas, CA with my husband, Glenn. Our two children were raised here in coastal Encinitas; Kirstin is now in her fourth year at UC Davis, and Dane is a sophomore at Cal Poly SLO. When I am not happily surrounded by students at Skyline School, I am either cooking, reading, or researching art projects for myself and students. I read 10 books over the past 14 days! And I made pizzas on a tiny grill on the back of my sailboat. Every summer for the past 16 years, our family takes our sailboat out to Catalina Island. We hike, swim, snorkel. I, clearly, read a lot and I became a very creative cook. Before we embark on our Catalina passage, I sail tiny boats called sabots for several weeks with a group of like-minded adults. While I have thoroughly enjoyed my summer adventures, I am ready to return to the camaraderie and children- filled days of the school year at Skyline. I am looking forward to a lot of art projects, topic sharing Fridays, and the bigger celebrations put together by Global Ed staff and parents. I even miss crossing guard duty as that is when I get to see and greet parents and children from the whole school; just that small role helps reinforce my appreciation for our entire Skyline community.

Primary Global Ed. News

WHAT IS TOPIC SHARING?

The primary students in Global Ed. have a chance to practice and explore concepts through home-based projects. These projects are known as topic sharing and function as homework assignments. The projects are then brought to school on your child's assigned sharing day. The children have a chance to practice public speaking on their special day. With the remote learning model, our topic sharing may be completed and shared through Seesaw or through Zoom calls. Please check with your child's teacher to see how topic sharing will be shared during our time out of the classroom.

TOPIC SHARING: POLAR ANIMAL POSTER REPORT

(September 28-October 2)

The primary classes have been discussing the inhabitants of the polar regions and what is required to survive in this cold biome. Now, it is time for each child to choose a polar animal and prepare a poster report. The poster should be done on the paper that we will send home. It should be no larger than 18" X 24" in order to accommodate a display of all of the posters. The report should include:

- The name of the animal
- A drawing or magazine or computer picture of the animal
- A description of what it eats
- A description of what adaptations the animal has that allow it to survive in the polar region e.g. fur, blubber
- A description of its predators and perhaps how the animal defends itself
- Any other interesting facts

The children will display their posters and give an oral presentation explaining their posters. It will help them greatly if you coach the presentation at home. The practice will give them an excellent opportunity to understand how to give informative presentations.

TOPIC SHARING SCHEDULE

8/31-9/4: Color survey

9/8-9/11: Open sharing

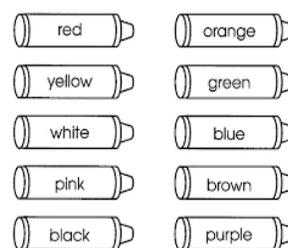
9/14-9/18: Primary color painting

9/21-9/25: Open sharing

9/28-10/2: Polar animal poster report

TOPIC SHARING: PAINTING USING PRIMARY COLORS (September 14-18)

By this time, you child will have explored the primary colors of red, yellow and blue. Now, it's your child's turn to create a work of art using these primary colors. Paints will be sent home with your child (on our next materials pick up day) to help prepare a painting for sharing day.



TOPIC SHARING: COLOR SURVEY (8/31-9/4)

As part of our theme of "exploration", the younger children in Global Ed. will be exploring color until the winter break. This week the children are to gather data using the home color survey. Your child's teacher will send a color survey home on our next school materials pick up. The survey is to be completed at home and shared on your child's sharing day. These data will be used to create graphs in class.

