

The Global Connection

A publication of the Global Education Program at Skyline School



UPCOMING COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Community service is an essential component of Skyline's character education program. To support this focus, Global Ed. participates in several community service projects throughout the year. Two program-wide events will take place in November and December. In November, all children in the program will design a placemat to be used as part of the Thanksgiving dinners prepared through the Meals on Wheels program. In December, the Global Education classes will join together to adopt local families in need for the holidays. In the past, the G.E. effort has ensured a very nice holiday for several local families. The G.E. staff will coordinate the adoption of families.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN HELPING US ADOPT LOCAL FAMILIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS:

- December 9: Gift tag requests due
- December 10 : Gift tags emailed
- December 17: Return new gifts with tags to school Grocery gift card donations sent to school. (Cash or checks made payable to Lisa Campbell)

Skyline School has also started a food drive from November 1-19 to benefit the Community Resource Center. Food items may be dropped at the table inside the front gate at Skyline.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 11/1-11/19: Skyline Food Drive
- 11/11: Veteran's Day Holiday- NO SCHOOL
- 11/15-11/19: Parent/teacher conference week. Early dismissal at 12:15
- 11/22-11/26: Fall break- NO SCHOOL
- 12/3: "50's Day" in Global Ed.

12/24-1/7: Winter break- NO SCHOOL



WELCOME TO MS. JENNA!

Global Ed is excited to announce that we have added Jenna Dellamano as an instructional assistant to our program! Jenna has previously worked as an instructional assistant in Skyline's Learning Center. She has returned this time to work with the students in Ms. Courtney's and Mrs. Erin's classes. Jenna will also be helping in Mrs. Mac's and Mrs. Anderson's classes.

THE GLOBAL ED POST OFFICE BEGINS

As part of our study of communities, Global Ed will look at how we communicate with one another. We will start the Global Ed Post Office the week we return from Thanksgiving. Each classroom will have a postal center stocked with letter writing materials and stamps. All the children will have multiple opportunities to write letters to others in the Global Ed program. The oldest kids in the program will be in charge of the day-to-day operations of our post office: collecting mail, processing and sorting mail, and delivering mail to the classrooms. This activity provides a fun way to connect across classrooms and to practice the lost art of letter writing.



50's DAY IN GLOBAL ED.

Friday December 3

It's hard to believe that the *original* Skyline School was built in the 1950's back when Lomas Santa Fe Drive was Skyline Drive! We will celebrate the era when Skyline was built in our community with a "50's Day" on Friday, December 3. The kids are invited to wear clothing reminiscent of the 1950's to get into the spirit of the day. Teachers will be sharing the dances, games, and slang of the era and will help the kids learn about the evolution of the music of the 1950's from blues to rock and roll. Time to break out those poodle skirts and dust off those blue suede shoes!



PRIMARY GLOBAL ED NEWS

SHARING SCHEDULE

11/1-11/5: Open sharing

11/8-11/12: Memorize a fall poem

11/15-11/19: Open sharing

11/ 22-11/26: FALL BREAK

11/29-12/3: Open sharing

12/6-12/10: Paper bag sharing

12/13-12/17: Open sharing

- 12/20-12/23: Celebration storyboard

CELEBRATION STORYBOARD (Dec. 20-23)

Children will be sent home with a storyboard to illustrate and caption as an extension of our earlier sharing about celebration artifacts. How does your family celebrate special holidays? Have your child select a special family holiday tradition to describe in sequence through words and pictures.

MEMORIZE A FALL POEM (Nov. 8-12))

Your child will receive a packet of fall poems from his/her teacher prior to the topic sharing week. Your child is to choose a poem from the collection to memorize and share with the class. In addition to memorizing the poem, your child needs to practice “performing” the poem by reciting the poem fluently and with expression. Props are a welcome addition for this poem sharing.



CELEBRATION ARTIFACTS (Dec. 6 -10)

We will be studying how communities around the world hold celebrations. Your child will have an opportunity to share the special traditions you observe in your house during the winter holidays. Your child is to select an artifact used in your celebration (ornament, cookie cutter, dreidel) and place it in a paper bag. Your child should come prepared to share three clues about the artifact to see if the audience can guess what it is in the bag.

