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# The Global Connection

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Solana Beach, California



## DID YOU KNOW?

The Global Ed program (formerly the Alternative program) was founded by two dedicated parents who were also teachers. The role of parents in the program remains as important today as it was at the inception of the program. Global Ed has always operated as a parent choice program, welcoming families that are interested in a more progressive, child-centered learning environment for their children. Parents are viewed as partners with teachers in their child's education. Parent involvement in the world of the Global Ed classroom is encouraged and, in many cases, is required to make all of the cross-age events, small group instruction, and field trips a reality. Global Ed offers many avenues for parent participation. Classroom volunteers are key to the success of effective small group instruction and one-on-one support with students. Teachers carefully plan for parents' time in the class and count on scheduled parents to come in on their volunteer day. Volunteering provides a unique window for parents to see the workings of their children's classroom. Time spent in the class strengthens the partnership between teacher and parents. Being a part of field trips and cross-age events also adds tremendously to families' experiences in Global Ed. The current Global Ed teachers continue to stay true to the program's roots by embracing parent involvement. Keep any eye out for future volunteer opportunities!

## IMPORTANT DATES

- 9/24: Mrs. Anderson's and Mrs. Mac's classes: walking field trip to City Hall
  - 9/26: Skyline School Picture Day
- \*\*UPCOMING\*\***
- 10/27: Halloween Carnival, Solana Vista 11-4

WE ❤️ VOLUNTEERS!





## Global Education Fund Committee

### PURPOSE

- Financially support the Global Education program, specifically for:
  - Instructional aides for all classes
  - Field trips
  - Supplies for extracurricular, all-grade events (e.g., Medieval Faire, Gold Rush)

### GOALS

- Raise \$45,000 annually
- 100% participation from all families (any amount is appreciated!)
- Make giving easy through multiple donation avenues, including one that is tax-deductible and others that are app-based\*
- Foster a warm and social community

### INVOLVEMENT

- Committee is open to all parents!
- Help with the fall fundraising campaign or plan for social events
- You don't need to ask anyone for money
- Fun and social group of dedicated parents
- Interested? Reach out to your teacher who can put you in touch with the committee

**The Fall campaign will kick-off in late-Sept or early October. Look out for brochures and ParentSquare communication in the weeks to come**

*Note: The app-based electronic payment methods go indirectly to the Global Ed program via the committee which is not a 501(c)3 public charity, and so are not tax-deductible.*

### **AND YET ANOTHER WAY TO SUPPORT GLOBAL ED...**

We are fortunate to offer wonderful field trips, enriched thematic days, and instructional aide support in our primary classrooms in Global Ed. These special elements are made possible by donations to the Global Ed. Fund. Through the fund we are able to pay for buses for field trips, invite musicians and 'knights in armor' to our Medieval Faire, and provide instructional support for our emerging readers, writers, and mathematicians in our primary grades. As budgets are tightened and cuts are made, we remain committed to ensuring that your children receive a rich, educational experience. You can help support us by making a donation to the Global Ed. Fund.

# Primary Sharing

## MAP OF BEDROOM (September 9-13)

### SHARING SCHEDULE

- 9/3-9/6: Open sharing
- 9/9-9/13: Map of your bedroom
- 9/16-9/20: Open sharing
- 9/23-9/27: Job interview
- 9/30-10/4: Open sharing

Help your child try to imagine a bird's eye view of his/her bedroom as if s/he were looking down from the ceiling on the furniture below. Your child is to use this view to draw major pieces of furniture that are in the bedroom. It helps to label things so that the map is easy to understand. If available, you might want to share a blueprint of your home with your child to help your child understand what a map of a room is. You should also try to draw maps of other rooms or your yard. If your teacher sends home special paper for the map, please plan on using to create the map.



## INTERVIEW A PARENT ABOUT HIS/HER JOB

(September 23- 27)

We are learning that there are many important jobs in our community. Your child is to interview you about your occupation for this week's sharing. A questionnaire will be sent home to guide your child's questioning in the interview and to provide a place to record your answers. Your child should be the "expert" about you and your work when his/her sharing day rolls around.

