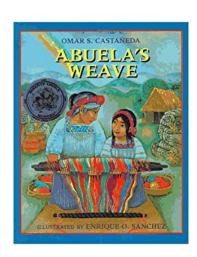


Foreign Language Corner

Dear Families of Explorers in Grade 3, 4 and 5:

It has been a busy start to the school year! Explorers in third grade visited Guatemala. Our first read aloud book was *Abuela's Weave*. Explorers were able to read about a typical day for Esperanza, one of the main characters of the book. Additionally, explorers gained knowledge of the country's currency and participated in a simulated shopping activity in a *Mercado* (market) in Guatemala City. Through this activity, our learners were able to make meaning through foreign transactions and currency exchange.





Explorers in the fourth and fifth grade are visiting countries in Sudamérica. Venezuela had plenty to see and do.

Explorers, in groups of three, planned a two-day itinerary in the capital city, Caracas. Planning out an excursion is no easy task, but explorers seamlessly accomplished the task. Similarly, fifth grade explorers planned an exciting trip to the capital of Bolivia, Sucre. Explorers learned of popular tourist attractions in each capital city in addition to being

introduced to the concept of a travel itinerary. Students were able to make meaning of a traveler's consideration when planning an excursion abroad.

I look forward to teach, learn and explore with our learners. If you have any questions, I can be reached at bianca.daskal@irvingtonschools.org. ¡Feliz Día de Acción de Gracias!

--Señorita Daskal