# NOTICIAS DE FUENTE NUEVA



# WORKING TOGETHER

The week of in-service day before school for the teaching team was a great opportunity for us to bond as a staff. We spent the week deepening our practice as educators and solidifying our commitment to one another as a staff. Recently in a professional development workshop on building a class community participants were told that the staff culture of collaboration is directly tied to the culture of the student learning environment. We are proud to work together for your kiddos and as you can see, this team enjoys one another and is excited for the rest of the year to come.

## THE NEW NEWSLETTERS

This year we are sending you all the news you need to engage in your child's school through the weekly classroom newsletters from your teachers. These are packed with information to help you navigate supporting your student's educational experience.

Four times a year the front office partners with the staff and parent organizations to create a newsletter to share all we have done together. We hope you enjoy the goings on of the first trimester at Fuente Nueva.



You never know what news is in the newsletter!

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Fourth and Fifth graders went to Wolf Creek for the first time since 2018!

### OUTDOOR EDUCATION FUN SUBMITTED BY MAESTRA NAOMI

Education Center has provided students with educational opportunities in Redwood National and State Parks since the early 1970's. Their environmental education programs for students are led by rangers who share their knowledge of the watershed, the old growth forest and the nearby prairie. Students also had the most wonderful free-play experience in the afternoon and well into the star-lit night! Fuente is so grateful for this opportunity and for our parent volunteers!



Did you know that Amigos de Fuente Nueva paid for the food at Wolf Creek? These are Café Fuente funds earned hard at work!

### ART CLASS! SUBMITTED BY MAESTRA MEGAN

Students have started their own art portfolios to collect what they are creating this school year. Some fun things we have explored are origami doves for the International Day of Peace, watercolor and pastel techniques, and drawing intricate details on Dia de Los Muertos skulls. As the year progresses, we will be revisiting the Elements of Art and learning the Principles of Design with more exciting projects. I love the enthusiasm in each classroom every Tuesday and look forward to a great rest of the year!

Is you Student going to be absent or late? Email the teacher & info@fuenteneuva. org by 9 a.m..

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### FARM TO SCHOOL CONNECTIONS

SUBMITTED BY MAESTRA CAT Second graders adventured by foot over to Eddie Tanner's Deepseeded Community Farm. It was a lovely, sunny afternoon and the second graders were so engaged in the activities that Eddie had prepared for us. They searched plants for beneficial bugs, they sketched pictures of zucchini plants and they devoured the most delicious fresh strawberries. Many students even attempted to pack some strawberries in very creative ways home with them...I wonder how many strawberries made it home and how many were munched along the way...! On the walk over and back, the students were tickled by getting to watch Eddie distract the pigs in order to get through a field and by walking right by some grazing llamas. All around, an absolutely lovely outing. Thanks again, Eddie!!

## **THIRD GRADERS PUMPKIN FIELD TRIP!**

#### SUBMITTED BY MAESTRA YAEL

Third graders enjoyed visiting the Pumpkin Patch and selecting their own pumpkin. On our return they color the animals that they have seen and labeled the different types of pumpkins. We connected this experience with the Life cycle of Plants and studied the Pumpkin life cycle. The students were super excited for their first field trip and we are ready for the <u>future ones</u>.

Third Graders with their pumpkins





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# **2022 FUENTE SWAG**

SUBMITTED BY AFN

This year's swag sale was a smashing hit with 60 family orders and over 150 items sold! People always think AFN makes money off of swag sales, but the truth is we don't mark up our items so that we can offer the most affordable prices to everyone!

We hope you are enjoying your new items, but don't fret if you missed out this time...there will be other opportunities again! We always welcome your thoughts at amigos@fuentenueva.org.

Please share our Direct Appeal with friends and family and help us reach our fall goal of \$15,000! We couldn't raise the funds we need without your help. Donations can be made at our website AmigosAFN.org. On behalf of the students, staff and parent-volunteers at Fuente Nueva, we thank you!





Did you know that <u>all</u> your Teacher's newsletters are available on the school website: fuentenueva.org

### PRESSING APPLES AND MATH (THE LONG AND THE SHORT OF IT)

SUBMITTED BY MAESTRA MARRERO



What's happening in TK/Kindergarten? Come on in and find out!

In TK/Kindergarten we had the great opportunity to press apples with Ben, Grandma, Josie and Grandpa John. What a nice day it was! The students were able to put the apples in the big giant hand-cranked apple press. Some even got to turn the handle! It takes strength!!!! Afterwards, we got to drink the handy work that they created, so yummy! A highlight of our math program was investigating the length of items. Were they longer or shorter than the piece of yarn? That was the question. They worked so hard figuring out the length, while using Spanish vocabulary: más largo-longer, más corto-shorter. What a fun activity it was!



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Did you know that Extended Day is provided at no cost for students who meet income eligibility guidelines, foster/homeless youth and English learners?

### **CREATING MAGIC WITH OUR HANDS** SUBMITTED BY DANA LOPEZ OF EXTENDED DAY

So many new additions to the Extended Day program this year!!! So many enrichment programs like art, handwork, gardening (plant magic), and a new Robotics class! We are also so excited that we can offer free childcare for our students that qualify for the National School Lunch Program!!!

We've got an amazing group of students that shower us with violin music every Wednesday with our music teacher Irene Treesong. We had the opportunity to partner up with Centro del Pueblo Humboldt. They brought us some beautiful Marigolds to plant in our garden. We had a blast connecting with the Earth, some of our kiddos expressed that this was their first time interacting with plants and soil. Maestra Lizette brought us some bonus goodies for Dia de Los Muertos and we all had an amazing time decorating cookies.

There is much to celebrate in Extended Day this year - including the development of a Summer Day Camp Program. Stay tuned!

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### FISH DISSECTION IN 4TH GRADE

#### SUBMITTED BY MAESTRA CATALINA

The 4th graders have been busy learning about the working systems of the human body like our bones, eyes, and brain work. We decided to extend our knowledge by participating in a fish dissection to continue learning about the body systems. Students worked in small groups to identify the different parts of the fish with the help from scissors, tweezers, skewers, and magnifying glasses. The students had so much fun being scientists in the classroom. Thank you Kim for providing this opportunity and guiding the students through this awesome experience.

### **FRYBREAD LOVE AT FUENTE NUEVA!** SUBMITTED BY KAYLA FROM FRYBREAD LOVE

Native American Heritage is in November, and what better way to share than share Frybread Love! We got to exchange our history, our stories, frybread experiences, and all our favorite toppings ideas with these wonderful students. My heart was happy for them to be so excited that we came and visited!

They were the sweetest! Thank you Fuente Nueva Charter School and even a more special thank you to their 4th grade teacher and my rugby teammate Maestra Catalina for the opportunity to share our culture with you all.

