

# Academia de Mi Abuela

## Parents~Connection

### Newsletter December 2018

#### ~December Curriculum Theme

**Theme:** Responsibility, empathy & relationships

**Letters:** D

**Number:** Cinco / Five

**Color:** Dorado / Gold

**Family value:** Bondad / Kindness

#### ~AMA POLICY REMINDERS

\*All parents should place their child's personal belongings inside their "assigned" classroom cubby NOT elsewhere to limit lost or damaged items. Bedding should be placed on top of cubby/classroom furniture every first day of the week.

\* In assisting with a successful self-help skills development, children should have no laces on shoes and no belts/zipper/overall/skinny bottoms for easy toilet-use/training.

\* Bring extra clothes for accidents daily (hamper bag from home is recommended)

\* If child's childcare schedule is longer than 9 hours, families are welcome to provide supplemental snacks.

\* Packing a bottle of purified water daily for each child is highly recommended.

#### ~SAVE THE DATE

December 2018

- Dec 7: Casas Lima & Celeste Field Trip (9:30am-12:30pm)
- Dec 14: Casas Lila & Sol Field Trip (9:30am-12:30pm)
- Dec 17 -20 School Spirit week
- Dec 20: Donation Drive.
- Dec 21 -23 **Winter Break / AMA CLOSED**
- Jan 1- 4 **Winter Break / AMA CLOSED**

## ~LOOKING AHEAD!!!

- Dec 12th @ 5:30pm-7:00pm. \_ Final Parent Meeting / Family Mixer Potluck of 2018. RSVP on Brightwheel or on Sign in Sheet.
- Dec 17th-20th. \_ AMA Spirit Week.

**Monday:** Class color day (Lila,Lima,Celeste,Sol)

**Tuesday:** Pajama day,

**Wednesday:** Rock Star / singer day,

**Thursday:** Favorite cartoon/ book / movie character,

**Friday:** Dynamic duo (twin day) (Students can match with classmates, siblings and/ or with parents). \*Do not be shy and communicate with the rest of AMA families. This is a great opportunity for children and parents to talk and partner up?

- Dec. 20th. "Donation Drive for the homeless" (last date to donate)

Your conscious effort is appreciated as you partner with us in assisting local homeless communities. We will be collecting canned (non-perishable) food,gently used toys, winter coats and toiletries. (a big bin have been place in AMA's lobby for donations' placement.

- Dec 21 -Jan 4. **Winter Break / AMA CLOSED**



## TOP BEST PRESCHOOL

Thank you for your support AMA families. We made it to the Top Best Preschools in Oakland List. Handpicked Top 3 Preschools in Oakland, California.

## ~AMA Resources for Families

### What songs can I sing with my child?

- Youtube collection

Sol solecito <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xbnYmgsTFio>

Elefantes <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=950AAFxgivk>

Buenos días/Diez deditos <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25m0yDoKM0Y>

Con mi martillo <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EqDEbxVxx48>

Saco una manita <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zAQCvUG6FCc>

Gotas de lluvia <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2ZV3Wr4Pq6c>

Cabeza hombros rodillas y pies <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=71hiB8Z-03k>

Habia un Sapo <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mgTJN15jfoo>

- Spotify Playlist

[https://open.spotify.com/user/judithavalos28/playlist/47NtJ1NkyGp5Y8Nmg8pPyD?si=pca\\_p1LaSq64oGiV95Ngog](https://open.spotify.com/user/judithavalos28/playlist/47NtJ1NkyGp5Y8Nmg8pPyD?si=pca_p1LaSq64oGiV95Ngog)

### What books can I read to my child ?

Si le das una galleta a un ratón / Donde viven los monstruos / Willy el tímido / La gallina Cocorina / Oso pardo / Donde está la oveja verde? / La oruga muy hambrienta.

### What electronic applications can I teach my child?

Stories by Gus on the go (iTunes) / Duolingo (iTunes and Google play) / Endless Spanish App (iTunes) / Spanish School Bus for Kids (iTunes)

### Spanish games online

<https://pbskids.org/games/spanish/>

### What other educational resources are there to teach my child Spanish?

<https://www.lakeshorelearning.com/search/products/N/951228441/page-1/sort-best/num-24/?Ntt=spanish+material&view=list>

### What elementary schools should I consider for my Spanish language learner?

Dual Language Programs / Community United Elementary School / Esperanza Elementary School / Global Family / Greenleaf / Manzanita Seed / International Community School / Melrose Leadership Academy.

<https://www.ousd.org/Page/15094>

### What traditional public elementary schools should I consider for my child?

Joaquin Miller Elementary School / Montclair Elementary School / Glenview Elementary School / Hillcrest Elementary School / Thornhill Elementary School / Sequoia Elementary School / Crocker Highlands Elementary School / Piedmont Avenue Elementary School.

**What private elementary schools should I consider?**

Escuela Bilingüe Internacional (EBI) / Aurora School / Northern Light School

**What Charter (public) elementary schools should I consider for my child?**

Lighthouse Community Charter School / Achieve Academy / Education for Change / Aspire Berkley Maynard Academy / Aspire College Academy / Aspire Eres Academy

<https://www.ousdcharters.net/charters-authorized-in-oakland.html>

**What school-age programs should I consider that may teach Spanish outside the school?**

Viva el español <http://www.vivaelespanol.org/>

Lango Kids <http://www.langokids.com/>

Centro Latino <https://www.centrolatinoschool.net/>

Bay Language Academy <http://www.baylanguages.com/>

**Self regulation strategies**

Tucker the turtle technique

**Spanish**

<https://slideplayer.es/slide/1052914/>

**English**

<https://whatworksinfamilysupport.files.wordpress.com/2016/03/tucker-turtle-takes-time-to-tuck-and-think-coloring-book-1.pdf>