## iLa Clase de español!

Dear grade 3-4 parents,

Your child may have told you that we are preparing for a fun culmination to our *los animales* Spanish unit. Third and fourth grade students are creating a Spanish zoo! On Thursday, June 2, we will transform the school library into our Spanish zoo. Third



and fourth graders will serve as zookeepers. Our customers will be the students in grades K4-2. While our zoo is open, *third and fourth graders will ONLY be allowed to speak Spanish!* This will be a challenge, but I know they can do it. They can greet their customers, point out the animals by name, note their colors and body parts, and tell what weather conditions these animals prefer.

Students are invited to bring stuffed animals or plastic animal figures on **Thursday, June 2** to contribute to our zoo. Bringing these items from home is OPTIONAL. If students prefer not to bring in their toys, they may still contribute to our zoo with pictures of animals, either hand drawn or printed off the Internet. Some students have mentioned that they have some "habitat décor" items they could also share (e.g., artificial jungle vines, toy barns, etc.). If students would like to bring items from home, please help them follow these guidelines:

- 1. Please do not bring your most precious stuffed animals that you sleep with every night! We just do not want to risk something happening to your most special possessions.
- 2. Please <u>LABEL</u> everything you bring! Write your name on a small piece of masking tape on the back of each item. This will make it so much easier to return items quickly and prevent any mix-ups.
- 3. Bring your items to the library BEFORE SCHOOL ON <u>THURSDAY</u>, JUNE 2. Your items will be returned immediately after our zoo closes.

Please let me know if you have any questions. We are all so excited to create this fun zoo and use all the Spanish we have learned this year!

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