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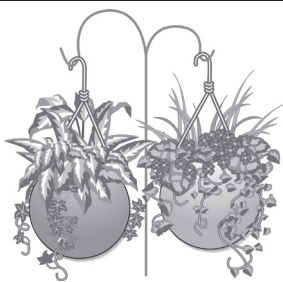
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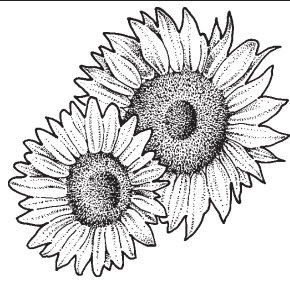


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Hispanic Support Community meets to learn, have fun



Students showed their spelling and vocabulary skills (above) on the computer as part of the Hispanic Parent Support Community meeting held recently at Central Elementary. The highlight of the evening was the kids getting to take swings at two pinatas (photos below) donated by Walmart.

Hispanic parent meeting held at Central

The spring meeting of the Hispanic Parent Support Community was held March 9 at Central Elementary.

These meetings allow the school district to meet with the parents and get feedback from them in the school and our curriculum, said Greg Craig, English Second Language Coordinator and teacher at Grant Junior High.

The spring meeting was made even better because Walmart donated two piñatas for the children to use.

It was a very special evening as Craig and Maggie Hernandez, Migrant Coordinator, got a chance to show parents the program we are using in helping students learn academic vocabulary and to debut the new website to allow parents to get a first hand look at the ESL website and the vocabulary their children are working on. The new website became public on March 15, please be looking out for it.

The students got a chance to show their computer skills to their parents.

Superintendent Shelley Angelos was there to talk about the changes that were coming in the school district and answer questions. We had several of the school teachers and principals there who got to meet and talk with the parents.

"It was a fun time for all and I got to see my first piñata break and find out there is a song that should be sang along with it," Craig said. "The song tells the stick swinger when to stop swinging the stick. We learn something new everyday if we will just keep our minds open."

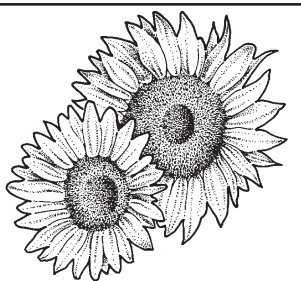
Craig said he would like to thank the tech team and the administration for getting the website up and running. I would like to thank our technology department of Karla Murray and Brad Bergsma for helping me figure out how to get my keynote programs linked to the web. Maggie thank you for setting up and organizing this event. Walmart once again thank you for your donation of the piñatas.

Parents if you would like to have your student work with the spelling words online as many of our teachers are now doing, I post the spelling words for each story K-6 on Spelling City each week. The URL for this is and anyone can use it. Stories are listed alphabetically at: <http://www.spellingcity.com/Mrcraig>

If you would like to do the same with the vocabulary words you can find these by Title on Quia at: <http://www.quia.com/profiles/gcraig27>



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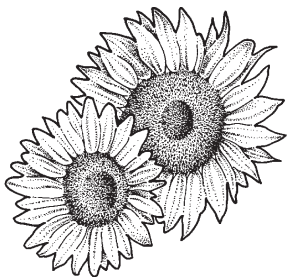


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