

# Greetings for 2014 from La Escuelita!

**The new year at La Escuelita has started out with a bang, in fact with a lot of noisy banging!**



The Methodist Missionary couple who have supported the school for years raised enough money to do an overhaul of the school building during the month of January, when school was in recess.



**It needed it and looks beautiful!**

If you want to see more about the school, check this out on YouTube.com.  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0K80j7kbpjw>

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## 2013 Graduation



There was a wonderful graduation in December when all the children wore their graduation robes, parents proudly marched with them, and they all celebrated. For people who often don't feel a part of general society due to lack of money, this graduation is a very important event. This is the second year that all the parents saved money to buy a gown so that their children would be like all the others graduating in Nicaragua. The teachers arranged a special price (\$10) that parents were able to pay for during the year.

## Special Programs

There will be the dental clinic and the medical clinic this year as in the past several years. In addition, there is a delegation of teachers from the US that will be going to Nicaragua June 16-23 and visiting La Escuelita as part of their learning about education in Nicaragua. If you are interested, please go to the website [www.nicaraguateacherdelegation.weebly.com](http://www.nicaraguateacherdelegation.weebly.com) for more information.

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## 2014 Registration

**The new year began with 148 children registered.**



Registration of new students began at the end of January, and classes started the second week of February. In recent years there have been MANY parents who want their children to attend La Escuelita because of the special care the teachers provide and the special programs offered because of your gifts.

A few years ago the parents asked the teachers if the lunch program could continue even during the month of January (the winter recess). That program makes a big difference in the lives of these children and families.

**Please remember – All this is possible only because of your gifts.**

**Thank You**

## Teachers Continuing Their Education Also

With help from many of you, the teachers have also been going to university to become licensed, certified teachers.

In 2013 we celebrated with Sugey Gomez as she graduated from the University of Managua, the first of the teachers to finish.

In 2014, Alicia Narvaez, The Teacher, Director, and one of the Founders of La Escuelita, will graduate.

In 2015, it will be Leo Narvaez's turn to celebrate, as she will finish her university education as well.

**We and their families are very proud of them. It was a lot of hard work on top of a heavy teaching schedule.**

## THANKS TO YOU

We thank all of you whose donations make all this possible. Please tell your friends about La Escuelita

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