

News From La Escuelita

February 2021

HERE WE GO AGAIN! THE 2021 SCHOOL YEAR HAS BEGUN

The School Year in Nicaragua is related to the Calendar year. The long “Summer” recess is from late November until the end of January. The new year began at La Escuelita on Monday, February 1.

No Crying



That's right! The teachers reported that on the first day of school not a single child was crying! Pretty amazing for pre-school children, most of whom have never been away from family care before. There were not even children sitting by the door waiting (hoping) for someone to come and get them like this little girl from last year.

In the first week of pre-school the children are only there for two hours. Next week they will go to the full 4 ½ hour day.

In the meantime, registration continues until March 1, so we expect that there will be close to 100 children registered again this year. All 100 children are never all there at once, but every day is always very busy.

**Donations Can Be Sent To
CEPAD-USA
c/o Beverly Kirkman
5605 Groomsbridge Court
Raleigh, NC 27612
Please earmark for “School” or
“Scholarship Fund”**

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www.littleschoolnicaragua.com
Facebook - LaEscuelitaNicaragua
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ANOTHER ZOOM INTO LA ESCUELITA

And Into The Lives Of People Who Benefit From Your Gifts

With the help of the teachers we are planning another ZOOM visit to Nicaragua. This time we will look more deeply at some of the children who benefit from your gifts. The teachers will talk specifically about the lives of a couple of the children who attend the school. They will also talk about the specific education needs of these children and how the teachers work to meet those needs.

We will also talk to a couple of scholarship students, one current student and one graduate who has new work that is really using her skills and education in ways that would never have been possible without help from people like YOU.

Make a note! Sunday afternoon, March 7, 2021 at 4:00 pm (Eastern time) Here is the Link that you copy and paste into your browser. Come and meet these students!



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84321286740>

TWO SPECIFIC NEEDS AS THE SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS

Can You Help With Either Of These?

BACKPACKS

AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

As the year gets under way, La Escuelita always supplies each student a children's size backpack with pencils, papers and other needed supplies.

One year a congregation did a "Backpack Offering," passing a children's backpack around the congregation for donations.

Can you help? The cost is about \$10.00 per student.

PAINTING

The humidity of Managua weather and the wear and tear of all those children can wear out a paint job very quickly.

Each year the interior of the school needs to be painted. Because of shortage of funds, the painting was not done this year, but we hope it can be done during the semester break in June.

Could you help with the \$740 cost of paint and supplies for this?

THANK YOU