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April,

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Today in your child's classroom, I read the book ***Book Fiesta!*** by Pat Mora and illustrated by Rafael Lopez. This book has a happy assortment of multicultural children, adults and friendly critters who celebrate books and reading in recognition of Children's Day / Book's Day or *El Día del Niño(a) / El Día de los Libros* which is on April 30th. Joyful and vibrant scenes convey the theme of the universal pleasures of reading every day and everywhere – under trees and in boats, on trains and planes, in the car and at the library.

This month's dicho: "Adventure is just a page away."

This month's classroom activity: Students participated in a book walk. This works similar to a cakewalk. Books were collected and arranged in a circle (on chairs or the rugs). Students walked around the circle and when the music stopped students also stopped and pick up the book next to them to look at it for a couple minutes. Students then got up and did it all over again until they lost interest. Then, students drew a picture about their favorite book. Drawings were combined to make a book, poster, or banner called "Book Fiesta."

Ideas to reinforce the message at home:

- Read and reread your child's favorite books.
- Expose them to a variety of books, number, letters, rhymes, poems, riddles, stories, etc.
- Attend story times at libraries and book stores.
- Bring books to life! Make green eggs and ham when you read Green Eggs and Ham.

If you would like more information about our Los Dichos program or are interested in becoming a volunteer reader please contact me or visit the Project Cornerstone website at www.projectcornerstone.org.

Sincerely,

Los Dichos Volunteer

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