K-3 Spanish Language
Overview for Parents

Teacher: Ms. Shannon Gahagan (Señora Gahagan)

Content Goals
The goal of K-3 Spanish is to introduce and expose students to the Spanish language. We will create a safe classroom space where students feel comfortable practicing Spanish together. Interactive learning will be the core of the K-3 Spanish experience. We will focus on vocabulary, phrases, and basic grammar/verbs through songs, games, projects, and individual/group work. Examples of vocabulary units include numbers, colors, time, seasons, weather, animals, family members, and parts of the body. We will read Spanish picture books and label objects in our environment to promote daily language practice. Students will also learn about Spanish culture and the traditions of various Spanish-speaking countries. The Spanish curriculum will align with the Core Knowledge curriculum when possible.

Expectations for Students
K-3 Spanish classes meet three times per week on a bi-weekly schedule. During class, students are expected to be present and engaged in our learning activities and group work. Students are expected to participate in class activities and discussions, to try speaking Spanish, and to show respect to their classmates.

Homework Requirements
There will be occasional “Home Connection” activities sent home. These activities are designed so that students can share their Spanish-language skills with their parents/guardians by teaching them what they have learned in class. This helps students confidence in speaking and provides a fun way for them to remember/review what they have worked on in Spanish class.

Contacting the Teacher
Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions or concerns at: shannon.gahagan@crossroadsacademy.org