



# July Newsletter

## MUSIC CLASS

During this month, students are receiving music lessons with Gustavo. He is helping to prepare the children to participate in the CASASITO music festival which will take place on August 6. Our students will play and interpret songs in sign language.



Each class is full of new experiences. As the children cannot hear, Gustavo is using drums to produce basic rhythms. The students are also manufacturing their own musical instruments from recycled materials such as plastic bottles, caps and seeds.



## **VOLUNTEERS**

**We are very fortunate to have had excellent volunteers this month, and you are always welcome to volunteer at LAVOSI!**

**Leah Adelsberger, shown on the right, worked with the students in first grade.**



**We also had the support of Kate Baldwin, Marina and Jossé Anna, sharing unforgettable moments with the children. This is Kate's second time with us and we hope to see her again soon!**





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Thanks to Jenny, Kim and Stephen our students received two very well presented classes on Business and Personal Finance. Our students enjoyed the classes very much and learned much about how to manage money correctly.



Thanks to funds we received last month from the Rotary Club we were able to buy the materials to build bookcases for the library. After the bookcases were constructed, thanks to Álvaro and Jossé Anna), the students decided to add a touch of art. Each design reflected something important to each child.





## **WE CONTINUE TO DEVELOP POSITIVE VALUES**

**Each passing day we see our students grow and move forward into a promising future!**

**By joining efforts and always working together we can make it better for everyone!**





**During the last week of July, we evaluated the performance of each student through examinations and activities where they could interact and also enjoy time with their peers. The students continue to do well and show improvement!**



**PLEASE VISIT [www.friendsofthedeaf.org](http://www.friendsofthedeaf.org) TO SEE HOW YOU CAN HELP GIVE THESE VERY DESERVING YOUNG PEOPLE A BRIGHTER FUTURE TODAY!**

**THANK YOU!**

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