

# International Children's Day @ Spain Embassy



Presented by SOMOS

June 1<sup>st</sup>, the International Children's Day was celebrated at the Spain Embassy. Mr. Fernando ALONSO, Counsellor of Spain embassy, together with his family joined the 200 guests to celebrate this Japan-Spain 400-year relationship program to learn and experience different aspects of the Spanish culture.



The event started with a warm welcome speech by Mr. Alonso and the Culture Department., followed by the opening remarks by SOMOS students and Representative, Madoka Soma which introduced the 400-year relationship history. To learn about the Spanish culture, the program started with its "food show" where workshops were held to learn about different foods that play a big part in Spanish food culture: grapes, olive oil, jamon serrano and saffron.



(1) GRAPES: intro of grape colors in Spanish and local cultural event eating 12 grapes on New Years. (2) OLIVE OIL: tasting different types of olive oils through vision, scent and flavor, along with its quality. (3) JAMON SERRANO: (4) SPICES: intro of different spices used for paella, and making the paella arts. (5) Not to forget The REAL Paella for everybody along with (6) three types of tapas with dessert made by the Chefs!!



The event also Introduced the great Spanish architecture "Gaudi. By putting small pieces together of colored chip, they built the mini "Guell Park", known as Gaudi's famous piece.

Photo session in mini "Guell park"!

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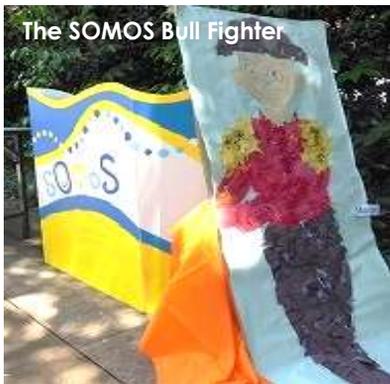


## Backstage story by SOMOS

At SOMOS International School, we study about different countries around the world through arts, music, dance, food and cultural festivals. For the period of March - June, we all studied about **Spain** and tried fun activities to understand its culture!!



(left) The famous "tomato festival" was celebrated by making different tomato art crafts, planting our own mini tomatoes during our science class, and squashing them to get the feel of the great festival!! (upper right) We also made TAPAS after learning different colors and shapes of Spanish vegetables!



We also learned the steps for flamenco and the bull fighter story. So, we decided to make our original costumes to fit the dance, and decorate the entrance with our "SOMOS Bull Fighter" that showed its brave heart flapping the orange gown. For arts, we explored the arts of the great artist starting Miro, Picasso Gaudi, etc.



The large-scale arts for Spain was to make the base of the mini Guell Park bench for the June event. It took weeks but it was great fun seeing it come together.



We also enjoyed practicing our "Spanish language Show" for the June event's closing stage!

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The SOMOS afterschool classes study about different countries and create various media forms to share their learnings. For the period of March - June, we all studied about **Spain** and created our own TV show based on the June 1<sup>st</sup> event that took place at the Spain Embassy. .



**Kanon & Jennifer**

The emcee of the day  
Giving the Opening Speech



"What's cool about Spain" by SOMOS



Mosaic Arts



SOMOS Kid Reporters live interviews at the event



SOMOS Kid Reporters on stage  
**The Spanish QUIZ Show**



**SOMOS Staff LOVE to entertain people**  
**We explore, enjoy & learn about different cultures**