

INTERNATIONAL WEEK

NOVEMBER 15-19



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On **November 17th**, Comanche Elementary will be taking part in International Week by bringing to our school a wonderful cultural program called “Russian Kaleidoscope”. It will be presented by Sergei Shapoval, who was born in the city of Krivoi Rog, Ukraine and holds a Master’s degree in Music Education from the Gnessin Pedagogical Institute in Moscow. He will be sharing the culture of Russia through a variety of interactions with the students, including Russian folk dances, costumes, musical instruments, and a multi-media presentation. There will be two assemblies (grades PreK-5th will be divided) and a 30-minute workshop for students in grades 1 through 5. Please see schedule of activities for November 17th on the following page.

In order to help prepare our students for a wonderful cultural experience, I will be contacting you this week to schedule your class for a time with the library to do an “Introduction to Russia”. I am preparing a “Russian Packet” of information and activities that you might find helpful for further classroom extensions. The Music, Art, & PE Teachers will also have an “Activity Packet” which offers extension activities for their classes. Watch the Library OPAC Homepage for Russian links to be posted sometime this week. **Oklahoma PASS Skills addressed by this event are also listed on the next page.**

Russian Kaleidoscope is jointly sponsored by the Comanche Elementary Library Media Center, the Comanche PTO, and a Comanche Foundation Grant. We hope that students, teachers, and guests will find this program enriching, educational, and an enjoyable means for learning more about the world around us.

-Lynn Tilley-

Russian Kaleidoscope Schedule for the Day November 17, 2004

8:45 - 9:45	Assembly (1 hour) – Grades 3, 4, & 5
10:00 - 11:00	Assembly (1 hour) – Grades PreK, K, 1, & 2
11:15 - 11:45	Workshop (30 min.) for 4 th Grade
11:45 - 12:30	Lunch Break for Cultural Kaleidoscope personnel (45 min.)
12:30 - 1:00	Workshop (30 min.) for 1 st Grade
1:10 - 1:40	Workshop (30 min.) for 2 nd Grade
1:50 - 2:20	Workshop (30 min.) for 3 rd Grade
2:30 - 3:00	Workshop (30 min.) for 5 th Grade

OKLAHOMA PASS SKILLS
FOR
RUSSIAN KALEIDOSCOPE EVENT

Language Awareness Objectives:

Goal 2: Cultures: Gain Knowledge and Understanding of Other Cultures.

- (1) Develop an awareness of other cultures.
- (2) Be able to identify areas of the world where the language studied is being spoken.
- (3) Participate in developmentally appropriate cultural activities such as games and songs.
- (4) Identify and reproduce distinctive cultural products of the culture of the languages studied.

Goal 4: Comparisons: Develop Insight into the Nature of Language and Culture.

- (1) Be aware of the differences among cultures and respect those differences.
- (2) Develop awareness that the world has many languages.
- (3) Compare holidays and celebrations.
- (4) Compare daily practices of people in the target cultures with their own.