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¡Hola, familias! Welcome to 5th grade at LILA!

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you and your children. My name is Maria Isabel Clua Ruiz (Profe Isabel). I was born in Tarragona, a roman town by the Mediterranean Sea, in Spain. I studied at my local university to become an Elementary Teacher (Major: English Foreign Language). Afterwards, I moved to Barcelona to extend my education and study Translation and Interpreting. Languages and communication are a very important part of my life.

I was a Spanish Language Assistant in London and it was such a wonderful experience, I realized teaching languages is one of the hardest yet one of the most rewarding careers for teachers. I never stopped learning. I am currently learning German as a personal challenge. Learning a language is a lifetime job, so teachers have the most important goal: making students motivated lifelong learners.

I am very excited to teach 5th grade at LILA. I will try my very best to make learning a meaningful, simple and graded process for all of my students. I have spent the last 10 years teaching Kindergarten and Elementary children in Tarragona and I am looking forward to becoming a great contributor to your child's education.

In my free time, I love travelling, swimming and reading. I enjoy being around my family and friends. I am passionate about music, specially singing! So you may find your child learning new songs very soon!

This will be my first time teaching in the USA. I was very lucky to cross paths with LILA. I understand the value of immersion and international programs and I am looking forward to this new adventure. I welcome the opportunity to meet you personally at the Bienvenidos Conferences.

¡Hasta pronto!

Sincerely,

Profe Isabel

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