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Engaging Children

**In this issue of Making Our Mark,
we're spotlighting some of our
teachers who took on the challenge
of Distance Learning with creativity,
flexibility, and an unwavering
commitment to their students.**

Hugo Basurto, Kindergarten Teacher

During Distance Learning, I was able to see the St. Mark's mission in action everyday. Parents and teachers worked together and collaborated to make a loving, nurturing atmosphere at home that encouraged and supported curiosity. We really live out our mission each day, helping each student and family, whether that takes place on or off campus. I love teaching because I can encourage children to dream, which can lead to innovations and changes for the future. I can inspire kids to think beyond their comfort zones and challenge them to reach their fullest potential. I live for that AHA! moment when my students first understand a new concept and see how the lesson applies directly to their lives. St. Mark's has given me the opportunity to expand my repertoire of knowledge, insights, and skills and has also broadened my perspective as I learn from our children's ideas and experiences.