

NASA keeps ISS crew busy

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NASA said the International Space Station crew was busy Tuesday with spacewalk preps, including spacesuit sizing and servicing.

The ISS Expedition 14 crew began collecting hardware Monday for installation into their Orlan spacesuits in advance of the Nov. 22 spacewalk that's dedicated to the 200th anniversary of establishing diplomatic ties between Russia and the United States and to commemorate the golf shot of Alan Shepard, Jr. on the moon.

The crew Tuesday participated in an event for International Education Week, fielding questions from the U.S. Department of Education in Washington In attendance were U.S. Deputy Secretary of Education Ray Simon, 20 school children from the Washington area and STS-118 mission specialist and educator astronaut Barbara Morgan.

The first live HDTV broadcast from space was scheduled for Wednesday morning, featuring Cmdr. Michael Lopez-Alegria and flight engineer Thomas Reiter, who will serve as camera operator.

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