



LATIN AMERICA - 3 SCHOOLS

COLOMBIA	Colegio San Mateo
Bogota	
PERU	Cambridge College
Lima	Colegio Altair

EUROPE - 12 SCHOOLS + 2 ELS

UNITED KINGDOM	Reddam House Berkshire
Wokingham	Fulham Prep
London	
SWITZERLAND	St. George's International School
Clarens	Ecole Riviera
Montreux	IS Ticino
Lugano	
BELGIUM	St. John's International School
Brussels	
ITALY	St. Louis School Caviglia
Milan	St. Louis School Colonia
Milan	ISE Milan
Milan	ISE Kiddy English
Milan	ISE Kiddy English 2
Modena	ISE Modena
Monza	ISE Monza
Siena	ISE Siena
Como	IS Como

AFRICA & THE MIDDLE EAST - 14 SCHOOLS

SOUTH AFRICA	Reddam House Waterfall
Mirrand, Johannesburg	Reddam House Helderfontein
Fourways, Johannesburg	Reddam House Bedfordview
Bedfordview, Johannesburg	Reddam House Constantia
Constantia, Cape Town	Reddam House Atlantic Seaboard
Seapoint, Cape Town	Reddam House Durbanville
Durbanville, Cape Town	Reddam House Somerset
Somerset West, Cape Town	Reddam House Umhlanga
Umhlanga, Durban	Reddam House Blue Hills
Mirrand, Johannesburg	Redford House Northcliff
Northcliff, Johannesburg	Redford House The Hills
Pretoria	
KENYA	Brookhouse Karen
Nairobi	Brookhouse Runda
Nairobi	
BAHRAIN	British School of Bahrain
Manama	

AUSTRALIA - 3 ELS

Sydney	Reddam ELS Woolahra
	Reddam ELS St Leonards
	Reddam ELS Lindfield



Inspired and Blue Valley !

We are pleased to announce that Blue Valley has partnered with [Inspired](#), an international network of educational institutions, whom the same as we do, consider learning the essence of education. Among all the groups of international schools, Inspired is uniquely directed by illustrious educators.

On Tuesday, January 30th at 8:00am, Inspired Americas representatives will be presented to teachers and administrators during the first staff meeting of the year. On Thursday, February 8th at 4:30pm, two members of the Inspired Board of Directors will be pleased to announce the partnership: **Nadim Nsouli**, President and Founder, and **Stephen Spurr**, Director of Education. This same day at 7:30pm they invite parents to meet them personally.

Please click [here](#) to read Mrs. Urbina's letter presenting Inspired and [here](#) for Inspired's presentation letter inviting our community to their meetings. The [FAQ](#) is a resourceful summary of questions and answers that have been made by members of other communities that joined the network.

[This article](#) by Dr. Stephen Spurr thoroughly explains the coincidences in education that moved us to choose this network.

Parents



First day of school

Prep-11B

Monday, February 5th, 7:20am



New Families

Friday, February 2nd, 1:00pm, Sala Magna

Prep A-11B

We invite all new students and their parents for a welcome to the Blue Valley community.



Announcements

Offices are open

7:00am-3:30pm

The administrative offices and orientation have been open and available since January 8th.

School Calendar SS 2018

Parents should have the school calendar on hand for scheduling important events and planning trips especially around school days. Please click [here](#) to see the calendar.

Fees SS 2018

Please click [here](#) for current school fees and payment methods.

Bus Routes

For detailed information of routes and drivers, click [here](#). If you have any questions please contact Virginia Molina at virginia.molina@bluevalley.ed.cr or 2215-2204 ext. 123

Student Accident Insurance

Mont-12A

Friday, February 16th, is the deadline to make the policy payment for increased coverage. Further details with Lorena Jiménez at lorena.jimenez@bluevalley.ed.cr or 2215-2204 ext. 114

Powerschool

Fourth grade and above

Please contact Barney Ross at barney.ross@bluevalley.ed.cr for username and password.

Parking

The parking lot in front of the administrative building has spaces for visitors. We appreciate leaving them free for new families; when those spaces are full, please park in the west lot.

Families should still follow the routines for arrival and dismissal indicated in the "Student and Parents Manual" available on our [website](#).

Quick Pass and Sticker

New families that require a quick pass can ask for them in reception. The school allows 2 quick passes per family. The second pass costs 5,000 colones. Sticker costs 1500 colones.



Communication

BVS Connect

The main reason for this special bulletin is to be clear that it's imperative for our community members to read BVS Connect on time. Connect is issued EVERY Tuesday by email. If you have a different email than what is on the registration sheet, you must update it. Two email addresses must be included for parents who do not share the same residence. Connect is available on Edmodo and our website. Our responsibility is to produce it, it is that of the parents to read it. Once issued, we consider **that the parents are aware of the information in it.**

Personal Consultations

To maintain centralized and quick communication among our community, Ms. María José Rodríguez is in charge of parent queries. You can address her by email: communication@bluevalley.ed.cr, phone: 2215-2204 ext. 145 or in person by visiting her office in accounting. She will gladly answer or re-direct your questions.

PUSH

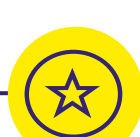
Cell-phones allow us to disseminate urgent messages quickly through WhatsApp. For this purpose, it's vital for parents to add **8989-8908** to their contacts and ensure that the mobile number we have on file for them is correct.



BVS Ambassadors

A parent group recognized by the administration meets in order to support and contribute to projects benefiting our community. They encourage parents in each class to choose a representative called a "communicator" as an intermediary for communications. They also accept volunteers for the many successful projects they carry out during the year.

The main role of the ambassadors and their collaborators is to increase home-school communication in a productive way and promote enthusiastic participation in our school events. You can contact them at: ambassadors@bluevalley.ed.cr



FCB Escolacr Tryouts at BVS

Saturday, January 20th

Coaches from Spain will hold tryouts for the official FC Barcelona Soccer School on our recently finished regulation turf soccer field. You can also come just to watch! Click [here](#) for more information.



First day of school-Montessori

Monday, February 5th at 8:00am. Students are supervised starting at 7:00am.

Montessori 1 students enter in a staggered form, Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday. Everyone will come all together on Friday. Guides, Ms. Rocío Ruiz and Ms. María Fernanda Rodríguez will contact parents to inform them in which of the two sessions their child will attend. Those who have a preference can send an email to rocio.ruiz@bluevalley.ed.cr