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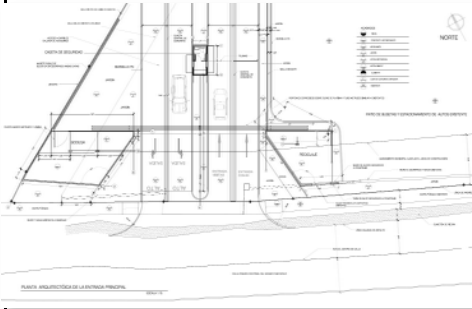


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IN THE FINAL LAP OF THE YEAR



When the administration returns in January, the new entrance to our campus will be ready. In February, all access to the campus will be completed: two lanes in both directions: one for authorized vehicles (automatic access stickers to open the needles) and one for visitors. The “kiss and drop” for students and parking lot will also be available. To achieve this, we will have to accept some inconveniences as of Monday 21st. Basically, the “el potrero” parking lot will close and construction vehicles will be entering and exiting through the west gates (when possible, very early or very late). Reconstruction of what was the Elementary School Teachers’ Lounge will begin. Looking forward!

ACADEMIC NEWS

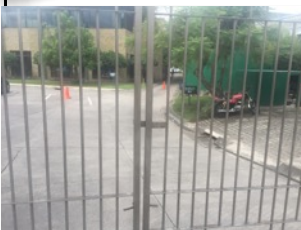
Hands-on activities reinforce concepts learned in class: from theory to practice and back to theory quite reinforced. Mr. Ulate’s mixed 9B/10A Physics class has been studying gravity, forces and systems of forces, friction, and energy. The students worked in teams to build a device out of straws, paper, and rubber bands that would safely carry an uncooked egg on a “free fall” of different heights. In the process, they applied preferred 21st century skills such as critical thinking, creativity, problem solving, innovation, self-direction, and teamwork. Knowledge and capabilities learned concurrently!



“SQUIRM”: THE MONTESSORI MUSICAL IS THIS WEEK!

Presentations:

- **Tomorrow** at 8:15 am for elementary school students
- **Thursday 17th**: Montessori A children and Montessori B families at 8:30 am
- **Friday 18th**: Montessori C families at 8:30 am



EARLY DISMISSAL ON FRIDAY THE 25th AT 12:20 pm

We will celebrate Teachers’ Day in appreciation of all personnel: Thanksgiving for faculty and staff!

CLOSED AT 1:00 pm!

SEMESTER EXAMS FOR SECONDARY

Semester exams will run from December 2nd to December 8th. Find the schedule in Attachments.

UBER

Some parents are finding it convenient to occasionally send an UBER to pick up their children, but it cannot be a safety hazard for the students. Initially we will start with these norms, perfecting them with the experience and feedback from parents:

1. Only registered parents will have the right to send an UBER for their son or daughter.
 - a. To register, parents must request the printed form that we will issue for this purpose.
 - b. They will complete it with the required data and return it signed for our files.
 - c. We will give these parents the telephone number where they notify the school that the student will be leaving in UBER stating the day and time of pick-up by UBER.
 - d. This number will serve a WhatsApp exclusively with the names of parents who have registered for it. The list will be updated weekly.
 - e. We will have an official in charge of receiving these messages.
 - f. Only if the message comes with the parent's name will the student be allowed to leave.
 - g. If the message shows only a phone number, it will not even be processed.
 2. The message for a request to leave in UBER should show the name of the student, the grade, the time expected to leave and a forwarded "screenshot" of the information sent by UBER.
 3. The student must have been informed of the request and should go to the front desk on his or her own. We will not go looking for the student.
 4. Our official in charge will notify the guard who will allow the UBER to enter the premises.
 5. The official will allow the student to board the UBER when it arrives at the front door.
 6. Exit in UBER will not be allowed if any of these steps are missing.
 7. No spontaneous requests will be accepted (i.e. from someone who has not registered.)
- Students' safety comes first; the efficiency of our resources follows. We cannot have a dedicated official to contact parents as per the student's requests.



MODEL UNITED NATIONS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS AT COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

Our middle school students will be participating in Country Day's Model UN on Saturday, November 19th and Sunday, November 20th. During the MUN elective, they have been preparing to represent EcoFin and DISEC at the event. These experiences are key in fostering public speaking skills, becoming acquainted with diplomacy and international issues, enhancing leadership skills, and, most of all, sharing with other schools. Best wishes! The delegate fee is \$25 payable in accounting.



SO MUCH TALENT!

Thanks! This week Mr. Klempner, BVS librarian and creative writing teacher, accompanied by his friend Mr. Bartlomiejczyk on backup guitar, sang one of his songs at elementary and middle school assemblies with a music video created by recent BVS graduate Romina Rodas playing in the background.

COLLEGE PREP



Delegates from the University of British Columbia and New York University Abu Dhabi will visit with our high school students in the College Prep office on Wednesday, November 16th at 11:00 am and at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, November 22nd, respectively.



WEDNESDAY LECTURE

Tomorrow we start wrapping-up. Dr. Christian Rivera, plastic surgeon and founder of the NGO Costa Rica Azul, will address entrepreneurship and innovation in the relationship between health and education in public policies. He will share chocolate, cookies, and a gift with our students. Do come!



REMINDERS

SCHOLASTIC: Place orders by November 18th. (<https://world-hop.scholastic.co.uk/schools/blue-valley>).
ASEBVS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: December 1st and 2nd from 9:00 to 3:00 pm in front of Sala Magna.
SS17 ENROLLMENT FEE: €150 000 deposit during November for your second child to ensure he or she will be returning for SS17.

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS CAMP

Christmas crafts camp for students from 4 to 9 years old. Reserve your space. Info in Attachments.



SOLIDARITY



- December is a time of cold nights and there are many people in serious need of shelter. This December should not be the exception to help the less privileged, so we will be collecting sweaters, blankets, scarves, any kind of clothes in good condition to fill San José with smiles.
- Thanks to all who supported us by sending soccer cleats. We will repeat this initiative in 2017.

SPACE CAMP

To learn details about this program, on Wednesday, November 23rd at 1:00 pm in the virtual classroom there will an informative meeting for parents of students from 4th grade on.



SPORTS

- Our traditional "A Puro Futbol" tournament will be held on Saturday, November 19th. It includes after school clubs from Preparatory to 6th grade and a middle school girls' game. Schedule in Attachments.
- A big turn out of 8th grade students for the *lucha contra el cáncer de próstata* walk last Saturday.



COMING GAMES	SPORT	CATEGORY	DATE	LEAVE	GAME	COMMENT
BVS vs Light House	Volleyball	Varsity girls	Nov. 15 th	2:40	3:00	Pick up at BVS at 4:30
BVS vs Berkeley	Soccer	2 nd boys	Nov. 15 th	2:20	3:00	Pick up at BVS at 4:45
BVS vs Light House	Soccer	1 st to 4 th girls	Nov. 16 th	2:00	2:50	Pick up at BVS at 5:00
Lincoln vs BVS	Soccer	Selection C boys	Nov. 22 nd	9:45	10:00	Pick up at BVS at 12:45
BVS vs ICS	Soccer	Jr.Varsity girls	Nov 22 nd	2:30	3:00	Pick up at BVS at 4:15

RESULTS	SPORT	CATEGORY	DATE	SCORE	TOURNAMENT	COMMENT
BVS vs Lighthouse	Soccer	2 nd boys	Nov. 8 th	4-0	friendly	Good score
St. Paul vs BVS	Basketball	Jr.Varsity girls	Nov. 8 th	16-12	ACEP	Second place!
PAS vs BVS	Soccer	Prep co-ed	Nov. 9 th	0-4	friendly	Keep training
BVS vs Berkeley	Soccer	3 rd to 4 th boys	Nov. 9 th	1-1	friendly	More commitment
PAS vs BVS	Soccer	1 st boys	Nov. 9 th	4-1	friendly	Extra effort
BVS vs Berkeley	Soccer	2 nd boys	Nov. 10 th	0-1	friendly	Tight game
St. Jude vs BVS	Soccer	Selection C	Nov. 11 th	0-2	St. Jude	Second place
BVS vs St. Jude	Soccer	Jr.Varsity girls	Nov. 14 th	0-4	friendly	Extra practice needed!

Excursiones de la semana

Sixth B1 & B2	Magmática	November 17 th	8:40 am to 1:00 pm
CAS group	community service	November 20 th	8:30 am to 1:00 pm
Sixth A	Carara	November 21 st	6:00 am to 2:30 pm
Eleventh A	Multiplaza	November 22 nd	1:00 pm