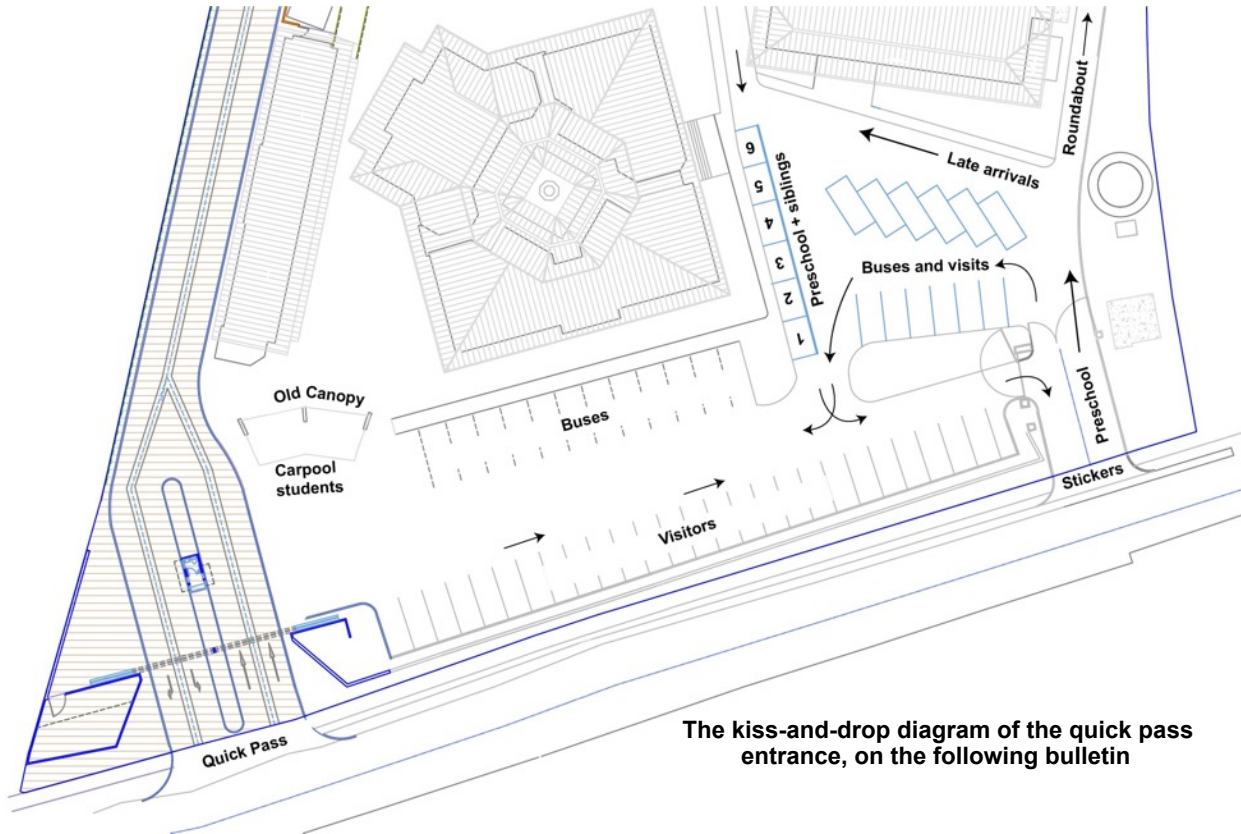




ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL



The kiss-and-drop diagram of the quick pass entrance, on the following bulletin

Congratulations to parents, students, and BV staff for the improvement in drop-off and pick-up of students achieved so far in this half month of transition with workers from two companies (in March we expect only RAE in fenced-in construction). As reminders of key processes:

1. Through the sticker gate (the one at the east) for pre-school students and their siblings:

- a. For arrival, the cars go around the roundabout and do not stop until the first one arrives at the 1st spot. When their car comes to a halt in the cue, and NOT BEFORE, the older ones can descend on their own. In the first three spots, custodians will help Montessori children out of the cars.
- b. At 7:18 am those who arrive late, drive in front of administration (roundabout closed).
- c. At dismissal, the cars go around the roundabout and stop for the older ones at the covered walkway and in front of Montessori for Montessori students. Cars yield to buses.
- d. Buses and visitors access the parking lot by the first lane on the left.



2. Through the quick pass gate for the rest of the students.

- a. For arrival, cars do not have to go to respective zones, although only in zone 1 will there be three custodians helping the younger ones out. Please park where space is available but always very close to the sidewalk to allow other cars to drive by after dropping the students or when looking for space.
- b. For dismissal, cars stop in the respective areas, close to the sidewalk to allow cars that already picked up the students or are heading to their areas to go around the cue.

3. To enter or leave campus, please apply the zipper system: EACH CAR that is leaving allows ONE car that is queuing at Calle Mangos to come in first. Courtesy is contagious!

4. If frequently arriving more than 30 minutes late, we suggest that parents consider enrolling the children in after-school classes. Please take note that students have no special supervision assigned beyond half an hour after dismissal.



ACADEMIC NEWS



At Blue Valley we believe that education is about holistically preparing students for a principled life. These people by definition will be good citizens. To guide them in terms of legal aspects, we have the “Forming Citizens” Wednesday lectures. But technological progress demands a new competence called Digital Citizenship. The Student Services, Computer Science, and Library departments started the semester collaboratively planning to integrate a digital citizenship curriculum into their programs. Digital Citizenship seeks for students to think critically to behave in ways that promote their personal safety and prepares them to participate responsibly in the digital world. Topics include, among many others, privacy, cyber bullying, identity protection, and

safety in interactions. We provide our students with the necessary tools to think critically not only in academic terms, but also at the time of making decisions regarding their digital behavior.

PARENT MEETINGS

SECONDARY PARENTS’ NIGHT: Tuesday, February 28th at 6:00 pm. For Sixth A and Ninth A parents there will be a prior meeting the same night at 5:00 pm. Please consult Attachments.



IB MEETING FOR 10 A STUDENTS: Tenth A students and their parents are invited to an informative meeting on the IB program on Tuesday, February 21st at 6:30 pm in the Library. See Attachments.

ELEMENTARY: Parent meetings for this week:

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| Second A1 | Ms. Pacheco, Ms. López | Wednesday, February 15 th , 11:20 am – 12:05 pm |
| Third A2 | Ms. Musmanni, Ms. Chacón, Ms. Brenes | Thursday, February 16 th , 12:05 pm – 12:50 pm |
| First A | Ms. Coto, Ms. López | Thursday, February 16 th , 12:50 pm – 1:35 pm |
| Fourth A & B | Mrs. Urbina, Ms. Brenes (Library) | Monday, February 20 th , 12:00 m – 12:50 pm |
| Fourth A | Mr. Dobrota, Ms. Brenes (Homeroom) Ms. Callís, Mrs. Urbina | Monday, February 20 th , 12:50 pm – 1:35 pm Monday, February 20 th , 1:35 pm – 2:20 pm |
| Fourth B | Ms. Morgan (VIRTUAL, ROOM date changed) | Monday, February 20th, 11:15 am – 12:00 m |

CLANS

How many hearts can you win with Cupid’s arrow? Have fun and win points for your clan on Thursday, February 16th during break and lunch period outside the Sala Magna. The three highest scoring individuals will also receive prizes.

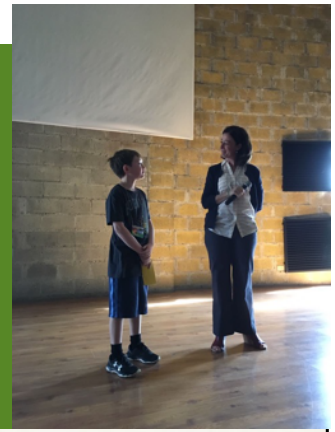


WEDNESDAY LECTURE

After a great first session last Wednesday, Mr. Armando González, Director at La Nación, will address students on the responsibilities of the written press through the electoral processes. Remember that we will also stream the lecture on our Facebook page. Parents are welcome to attend the lectures on Wednesdays at 11:20 am (in the temporary schedule).

FIRST WOW OF THE SEMESTER

Ford Gibson, 4 A, knew how to apply “Listening with understanding and empathy” in his classroom. When Mr. Dobrota, very worried, recognized he had made a natural error and was apologizing to his students, Ford kindly comforted him by telling him that it is human to make mistakes, and that they can always be amended. This semester’s WOWs will be specifically focused on students who are demonstrating Habits of Mind in action. These habits (Attachments) support character development and life-long success. Way to go, Ford, for supporting Mr. Dobrota as a new member of our school community!



REMINDERS



IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT: Sixth, ninth, and eleventh grade students must submit, for MEP purposes a copy of their cédula or passport to Alejandra in Student Services by Friday the 17th.

INDUCTION CEREMONY FOR THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



We invite the Blue Valley community to the induction ceremony for new members of the NHS during the high school assembly in the Sala Magna on Thursday, February 23rd at 9:40 am. We will officially welcome new members: Valeria Ansorena (10 A), Jacobo Fliiman (10 A), Juliana Pérez (10 A), Sergio Marín (10 B), and José María Sousa (11 A). Congratulations and thank you for being an example of scholarship, service, character and leadership!

GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIPS FOR 2017 FOURTH GRADES



We invite Fourth A and Fourth B parents to a meeting on Monday, February 20th at 12 noon in the library to listen to the guidelines for the three day respective journeys where students will be appreciating and applying their knowledge of the regions. We need to define who, among the parents, will coordinate logistics of the events and who will collaborate with him or her.

2017 PHOTOS

Once more ASEBVS will be in charge of the students’ photos for the yearbook. Ciudad Fotográfica will be taking them during the week from February 20 to 24. Students should wear regulation uniform. The package costs ¢14 000, and it must be paid for if not returned on time.

FROM THE CAFETERIA

The cafeteria staff wishes everyone a very successful year and requests that, for deposits in a child’s account, please clearly state the student’s name and level, **not** the parents’ or business name.

SPORTS

As of today, the lists with the tryout results will be posted on the board outside the gym office.

| COMING GAMES | SPORT | CATEGORY | DATE | LEAVE | GAME | COMMENT |
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| Panamerican vs BVS | soccer | Varsity boys | February 17 th | 1:00 | 1:30 | Pick up at BVS at 4:00 |
| ICS vs BVS | soccer | Jr.Varsity girls | February 21 st | 12:30 | 1:30 | Pick up at BVS at 3:40 |