

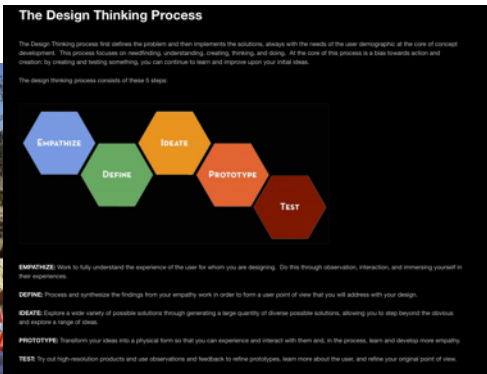


FAMILY DAY 2017 AND DESIGN THINKING!

What a joy to see parents and their children enjoying a day full of activities! Teamwork at BVS:



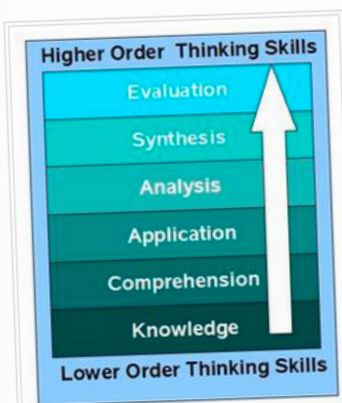
teachers and staff together, we achieve more goals. Congratulations to Ms. Cisneros, who gave us a perfect example of Design Thinking (Attachments). She empathized, defined, thought out, made a prototype and tested it! It WORKED! She said "Impossible to achieve so much fun without the help of everyone." Very special players and spectators inaugurated the U10 field! Meanwhile, the ambassadors are already planning the gastronomic festival to please us with typical food from the diverse cultures represented in our community! And we have begun planning our next Family Day! Looking forward to more fun together!!



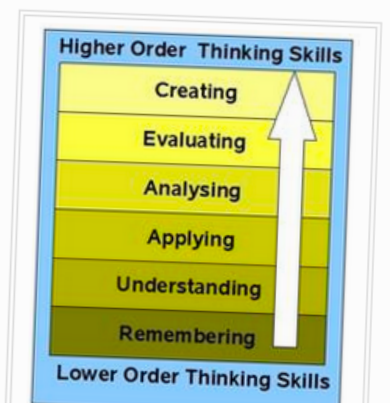
ACADEMIC NEWS

Middle school students receive a creative writing class in the library with Mr. Klempner, a published author. Modern pedagogy recommends explorations in the creative domain for students to develop the

skills they will need to effectively bring their ideas to fruitfulness. At Blue Valley, we believe students need fundamental concepts and terminology to critically analyze their work. Therefore, they go to Mr. Klempner's class with enough theoretical knowledge from previous grammar lessons and writing units, including the class they take in fifth grade, "Taller de poesía avanzada" which also takes place in the library. Students enjoy the creative aspect and we all enjoy the fruits of their efforts.



Drawing 1. Bloom's Taxonomy



Drawing 2. Bloom's Revised Taxonomy

LAST WEEK'S WOW

James Murphy, 2B, exemplified: *Persisting, Gathering data through all senses, Striving for accuracy, Thinking about your thinking, and Applying past knowledge to new situations.* He took initiative to select a piece of music from a music book, read it on his own, and perform it on the piano. He had to study and practice the new piece persistently to get his best result and present it in public. He demonstrated that great things might be accomplished by *Taking responsible risks* and working hard! Tons of HoM's!



END OF THE BIMESTER AND REPORT CARD DAY

The first bimester ends on Tuesday, April 4th with report cards distributed on Friday, April 7th.

STUDENTS ARE DISMISSED AT 12:20 ON REPORT CARD DAY.

MONTESSORI CHILDREN DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL AT ALL ON THIS DATE.

•**MONTESSORI:** Teachers will hand out the reports to parents (Montessori A only oral) from 7:30 am to 12:00 and 1:00 to 2:30 pm. For individual meetings, parents must call doña Elza for appointments. Those who can't come at all may pick up the report card after the break, without conference.

•**PREPARATORY:** These students do not receive a Report Card until the end of the semester, but if parents want an oral report, they can call for an appointment or come freely from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

•**GRADE SCHOOL AND SECONDARY SCHOOL:** All students, except those with grades lower than 70%, take their report cards home. These students' parents must come pick up the reports and meet with the corresponding teacher. Teachers will be available to all parents from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

Please respect the teachers' lunch break from 12:20 to 1:00 pm by not making requests at this time.

In order to receive or collect the report cards, school fees must be paid.

WRAPPING UP BOOK MONTH

March has gone by quickly! Yesterday, we announced the winners of the Classy Book Cover contest. Today elementary and Montessori enjoyed time with a storyteller, and we are wrapping up Book Month by wearing a black shirt on Thursday to support powering-off-electronics day.



THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE PRESENTATIONS

Do not miss the last 2 presentations:

March 30	Shirley Green, Laura Zajackowska, Michael Stroud	<i>How do different AOKs affect the social interpretation and acceptance of specific mind altering substances?</i>	8:40-9:20
March 31	Valentina Pérez, Juan Diego Murillo, Agustín Solano	<i>What mechanisms do different AOKs use to explain exceptions to traditional gender binaries?</i>	8:40-9:20

SHARE AND MOVE IN MONTESSORI

Share and Move will take place this Thursday March 30th. Don't miss it!



STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Time to present our ideas and discuss! The electoral process continues with the debate between both parties tomorrow at 11:20 am in the gym. This is the chance to think and reflect in order to decide what is best for our community! All students in sixth grade and above plus elementary classroom representatives (indirect vote) are invited. You can also follow us on Facebook. Elections are on Friday 31st. Every vote counts!

WEDNESDAY LECTURE

Tomorrow we will be applying citizenship in an electoral debate. After learning about television on April 5th, we will reflect on what we have learned about the media after Spring Break on the 19th.

EASTER BREAK

As stated in our annual calendar, the school will be closed from April 10th to 14th for Easter Break.

VISIT FROM COLEGIO LOS NOGALES

This is our second year hosting four sixth grade students and a teacher from Colegio Los Nogales. We are very happy to welcome them in our school and continue to achieve our cultural exchange. Our thanks to the Blue Valley families who generously offered to host them.

LICE EPIDEMICS ARE ENDEMIC

Again, we have several elementary students affected by lice infection. In Attachments, find important information on lice prevention and treatment by Dr. Daniel Fernández. We kindly ask parents to consistently check their sons' and daughters' hair. If they see lice or tiny white eggs (nits) they must follow the treatment mentioned to avoid infecting others and to help us control lice propagation. Long hair worn in a braid is the best form of prevention for girls.

BVS CAPS

To respond to some parents' request, ASEBVS is selling caps for \$6500.



SPORTS

- In order to protect the physical integrity of the students, starting this month the use of shin guards is **mandatory** for all those who participate in a soccer club or team, both for training and in matches.

- Students in the PE elective enjoyed their experience doing CrossFit.

COMING GAMES	SPORT	CATEGORY	DATE	LEAVE	GAME	COMMENT
Lighthouse vs BVS	basketball	3rd- 4 th boys	March	12:30	1:15	Pick up at BVS, 4:20
Lighthouse vs BVS	basketball	5 th - 6 th boys	March	12:30	2:00	Pick up at BVS, 4:20
West Sport Festival	soccer	1 st boys	March	8:20	8:40	Normal dismissal
West Sport Festival	soccer	5 th - 6 th boys	March	8:15	8:40	Normal dismissal
West Sport Festival	soccer	7 th - 8 th boys	March	11:05	11:20	Normal dismissal

RESULTS	SPORT	CATEGORY	DATE	SCORE	TOURN	COMMENT
Berkeley Academy vs BVS	soccer	2 nd grade	March	3-2	Friendly	Go, go!
Británica vs BVS	soccer	Team C	March	0-5	Friendly	Excellent score

Field Trips of the Week

Second B	Parque de la Paz	March 30 th	7:45 am to 10:20 am
Fourth A	U Peace	April 3 rd	7:45 am to 12:00 n
Fourth B	La Sabana	April 3 rd	7:45 am to 12:30 pm
Fifth B1	National Archives	April 5 th	8:00 am to 11:30 am

CONDOLENCES

Our sympathy for our teacher, Silvia Musmanni, and her sons Alessandro (8B) and Stefano (11B) Cassino whose father and grandfather respectively passed away last week.