



Blue Valley School



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SPRING SEMESTER

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NEW PARENTS MEETING

We cordially invite the mother or father of sixth to eleventh grade new students to a coffee on Friday, May 20th at 2:20 pm in the administration building. We will talk about the BVS experience and how their children have adapted so far. It will also be a time to ask questions. Hope to see all of you there!



ACADEMIC NEWS

At Blue Valley we believe that learning must be evident in real life experiences. Students should be able to relate their studies at school to everyday happenings. Last weekend, Fourth B1 students were able to see, during their three-day field trip, nature related to the characteristics they have studied in maps. They saw how different economic regions influence people's activities (eg how milk dairies are prevalent in cooler climates), how people tend to use the properties of their surroundings to make a living, and how services contribute to develop enterprises and job opportunities for the well-being of the local people.

A very rewarding cognitive experience to this investment of time and effort!

APPRECIATION

We recognize and appreciate the collaboration of Ms. Junita O'Shea, the 4 B1 trip coordinator, Adriana Bermúdez and Carlos Tesoriero, chaperones, and the parents who accompanied us: Sarah Hough, Gabriela Ventura and Ignacio Calderón. We all agreed we had a wonderful trip!

SEMESTER EXAMS FOR ELEVENTH B

Students will be taking their tests from May 19th through May 26th. Find Schedule in Attachments.

LAST WEEK'S WOWS

- Ana Elena Chavarría, 4B, took the initiative of asking permission to bring the wheelchair from elementary to the gymnasium when she noticed a secondary school student struggling with crutches. We recognize her "Listening with Understanding and Empathy", a very important Habit of Mind!
- Felisa Mateo, 1 A1, voluntarily returned her Free Dress slip, declaring that she could not accept it because she had not brought her Spanish dictation signed by her parents. She said that wearing Free Dress would be dishonest. Ethical values are put into practice!



EXCELLENT CONTRIBUTION! A weLearn SPONSORSHIP 2016

Blue Valley is sponsoring all our teachers for the weLearn seminar which brings in international exhibitors. Sponsorship of ¢ 25 000 allows the training of one person; if social responsibility is manifested in three or more people, the price drops to ¢ 20 000 per teacher. If families and private companies would be willing to sponsor teachers from public institutions, private schools can share with them knowledge and experiences in integrating technology in the classroom. This seminar began as a BVS initiative to provide opportunities for collaboration among teachers, resulting in improvements in didactic and learning processes in the classroom. Public schools are making significant efforts to include technology in the educational area. Let's support the **weLearn SPONSORSHIP 2016** to contribute to the educational modernization of the whole country!

GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE UPCOMING BREAK! "Thanks a Million!"

Click [here](#) to learn about a great opportunity to spend a week of the break in a worthwhile activity. It's a full two-week course, but United World College is offering the opportunity to just take the first week for \$500 as a day camp at UWC Campus in Santa Ana from July 18th to 23rd. A group of highly professional facilitators are leading the course for international students from around the world: Venezuela, Singapore, China, USA, India, Canada.

What a wonderful opportunity to go international right here in Costa Rica!

COLLEGE PREP

COLLEGE FAIR: 11A and 11B students will participate in a college fair provided by thirteen members of the highly acclaimed US organization, Colleges That Change Lives, on Thursday, May 12th at 2:00 pm in the Sala Magna. Click [here](#) to go to CTCL's website. The [Washington Post](#) article mentions the added value of applying to its member colleges.

MORE UNIVERSITIES: Admissions officers from Brown, Duke, Georgetown, Harvard, and Penn invite interested students and families to an information session on Saturday, May 14th at 12 n at Lincoln School. It requires online registration: <https://key.admissions.upenn.edu/register/COSTARICA>

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

CLOSED HOURS: Due to the government MEP exams, the library will be closed from 8:00 to 1:00 pm from May 31st to June 7th.

BOOKS: The last day to check books out of the library is Friday, June 10th since all books must be returned to the library by Friday, June 17th. We welcome students and parents to check out books for vacation after the account has been cleared and students have no payments or books pending.

Wednesday Civic Lecture "Formando ciudadanos"

Tomorrow, the students will watch a video in which some of the ideas and concerns of the past lecturers are questioned. The students will analyze the statements based on a guideline provided by the teachers.



REMINDERS

PROGRESS REPORTS IN SECONDARY are due on Friday, May 13th. Review them with your kids.

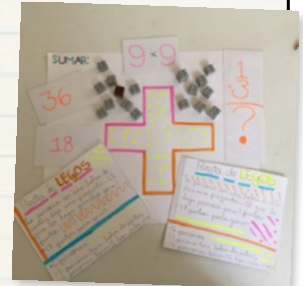
SECOND HAND: During May let's bring used clothes and utensils in good shape for this cause sponsored by the Entrepreneur elective.

BAKE SALE

As their final project, students in the cooking elective will have a bake sale in front of the cafeteria on May 12th from 11:40 to 1:30 pm. They will be selling: *choripanes*, ham and cheese scones, fudge, cornflake balls, *suspiro limeño*, cakepops and brownies for ¢ 500 each choice. The money raised will be spent on kitchen equipment for the elective.

CREATIVE COMMUNITY SERVICE

As part of their community service, Fifth A students will visit Guachipelín School on Tuesday, May 17th to share math concepts using manipulative materials they created themselves.



SPORTS

COMING GAMES	SPORT	CATEGORY	DATE	LEAVE	GAME	COMMENT
Calasanz vs BVS	basketball	4 th to 6 th girls	May 10 th	12:00	1:00	Pick up at BVS at 3:00
BVS vs Lighthouse	volleyball	Elementary mixed	May 12 th	3:00	3:15	Pick up at BVS at 4:30
CDS vs BVS	soccer	H.S. boys	May 13 th	1:40	3:00	Pick up at BVS at 5:00
CDS vs BVS	soccer	4 th to 6 th girls	May 13 th	8:45	9:30	Pick up at BVS at 3:00
WEST vs BVS	soccer	2004-5 boys green	May 13 th	10:00	11:00	Pick up at BVS at 3:00
St. Paul yellow vs BVS	soccer	2006-7 boys green	May 13 th	10:00	11:00	Pick up at BVS at 3:00
St. Paul yellow vs BVS	soccer	2008 boys green	May 13 th	10:30	11:30	Pick up at BVS at 3:00
PAS vs BVS	soccer	4 th to 6 th girls	May 13 th	1:30	2:30	Pick up at BVS at 4:15

RESULTS	SPORT	CATEGORY	DATE	SCORE	TOURNAMENT	COMMENT
BVS vs St. Paul	soccer	4 th to 6 th girls	May 3 rd	0-4	ACEP	Keep practicing
Británica vs BVS	soccer	H.S. girls	May 4 th	2-2	ACEP	Tight game
BVS vs Anglo	soccer	H.S. boys	May 5 th	2-3	Friendly	A poor game
BVS vs Futbol C	soccer	Preparatory mixed	May 7 th	6-0	Friendly	Nice sport's morning!
BVS vs Futbol C	soccer	2008 green	May 7 th	5-0	Friendly	
BVS vs Futbol C	soccer	2006-2007 green	May 7 th	0-3	Friendly	
BVS vs Futbol C	soccer	2004-2005 green	May 7 th	1-3	Friendly	

Field Trips of the Week

Fifth A	National Library	Wednesday, May 11 th	8:45 am to 12:00 n
First A1& A2	Farm in Escazú	Wednesday, May 11 th	8:45 am to 12:00 n
First B	Olimpika – Santa Ana	Thursday, May 12 th	9:00 am to 12:00 n
Preparatory A & B	Community Service	Friday, May 13 th	9:30 am to 11:00 am
Third B	National Gym	Friday, May 13 th	12:15 pm to 2:30pm
Fifth A	Guachipelín School	Tuesday, May 17 th	8:15 am to 10:00 am
Second A2	Elderly Home	Tuesday, May 17 th	12:00 n to 2:30 pm