



Elementary

The week of August 16, we will have a consultant visiting us from Colorado. Mrs. Carrie Eckey is an expert on Elementary Literacy. She will be coaching our Elementary teachers and leading a workshop for them during her 5-day visit. On Friday, August 20, Mrs. Eckey will be presenting an all-day workshop for teachers. The Elementary School will close on that Friday to have all teachers attend and

take advantage of this professional development opportunity. Please note that there will be **NO CLASSES for Elementary students on FRIDAY, AUGUST 20.**

Our students are off to a great start. New students were assigned a buddy and seem to be getting adjusted to their new school. We are beginning our character and values program

called "Peaceful School." This program will work in combination with Character Counts, which is integrated into the curriculum and involves the whole ANS community addressing issues such as respect, friendship, etc. The Elementary Counselors are excited about this year and working with parents and teachers to build community in our School.

Middle School

We would like to thank parents for attending the First Day Back to School Assembly! It was a huge success!

The Middle School webpage has been updated. On this page you can find general information about each course by grade level. You can also find information about the National Junior Honor Society, the Student Council, Middle School events, and useful articles on Parenting.

The assessment calendar has been posted on the Middle school web page. Please check it to keep up with your child's exams, projects, etc. Keep in mind that only those assessments that are worth 10% or more will be reflected on the calendar. Minor assessments can be found on the individual teacher webpages (please note that some pages are still under construction).

High School

The 2010-2011 school year is off to a great start. Mr. Gardina will meet with the 9th-11th graders tomorrow to go over changes in the Parent-Student Handbook.

signing up volunteers and electing officers. We encourage all our students to get involved in at least one community service organization.

encouraged to visit with teachers and get first hand information about your children's courses. Parent participation is very important for your children and for the school.

Class Officer Elections will take place August 26 and Community Service Clubs are

Secondary Open House will be held on **August 26**, from 6-8 pm. All parents are

College Corner

College Board has increased the fees for International Schools by US\$30 per exam. Each AP Exam will now cost \$117. If the cost will prohibit a student from enrolling their current AP course, please let Mrs. Vaughan know **as soon as possible.**

to discuss the application process. Seniors should use their 'Naviance Workspace' accounts to research universities, careers, and majors.

Representatives from Bentley University and the University of Illinois-Springfield will be visiting with ANS students August 12 through a videoconference.

Mrs. Vaughan will be speaking with Seniors on August 11 during their Economics classes

Physical Education

The Michelle Richardson Athletic Award is given out every year to the most outstanding Seniors that display excellence in sports throughout their HS years. The 2009-10 award was won by: Girls, Alexandra Chamorro; Boys, Guillermo Pachelli Guerra. It was given out during the Graduation Ceremony on June 3rd. Congratulations!

the supervision of a British certified coach. It will start at ANS on August 30, after 3:30 pm. The Academy will offer personalized, bilingual (English and Spanish) instruction. For more information contact sports@ans.edu.ni.

Our school is committed to excellence in everything it does, so we strive to maintain strong PE and extracurricular sport programs. Part of our program's success is having excellent and modern equipment. In addition to the regular sports equipment we acquire every year, we have

purchased a jump pit that meets all the international standards to practice high jump; a vaulting board to be used by our gymnasts in the after-school program; batting tees, batting stance training, and other baseball equipment to strengthen the teaching of baseball at school; stability balls (with a diameter of 24") that are used to perform strength, balance, flexibility, and stretching exercises by ANS students of all grade levels. This sports equipment will be on exhibit during the August 26 Open House.

If you have a child between 5 and 13 years old who would like to register in a specialized soccer program, this is the opportunity. Register him/her in the Three Lions Soccer Academy that will be under

Curriculum

The content for each subject area or course is available at *Curriculum Maps* on the "Drop Down for Logins" menu located on the ANS webpage. Please take time to look at what your child will be studying. We take this opportunity to inform you that grades K5-5 mathematics maps will not appear because

they are being updated to reflect the new math program. In addition, new courses do not have maps yet. Those will be developed during the school year. If you have any questions about course content, please make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss them.

DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

We are pleased to announce that the Groundbreaking Ceremony for Phase I of the New ANS Secondary Building will take place on **Monday, August 16, at 8 am**, in the South Parking Lot. You are welcome to attend.

YEARBOOK

Yearbook pictures will be taken August 17-27; specific details and more information will be sent to you via email. Flyers for picture package purchases are available on the ANS webpage under "Quick Links".

ONLINE APPLICATIONS

All parents should have received from their son/daughter(s) a letter containing parent username and password to be able to access three online applications: After-school Activities Registration (Grades 1-12), PowerSchool (Grades 4-12), and, available as of August 25th, the ANS Parent Directory (K3-12). Please contact technology@ans.edu.ni for assistance.

CONTACT WITH PARENTS

ANS has sent a number of emails this past week. If you have not received them, we ask that you first please add webmaster@ans.edu.ni as a contact; then check your "spam or junk" box since, because ANS is sending large quantities of mail, it might be classified as spam; and last, please send us your current email to technology@ans.edu.ni so that we have updated contact details for you. Thank you for your cooperation.

Remember this Weekly Bulletin is available on the ANS webpage!