

**SEPTEMBER 4, 12:30 PM, OSSI ROOM:
Presentation by Dr. Juan Jose Amador on
the H1N1 Virus.**

DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Tickets for the Tuition Raffle will be on sale during Open House on Thursday, August 27. The cost per ticket is US\$50.00. Visit us at the main entrance. Please support the *Building Tomorrow Today* Campaign for ANS so that we can make our new High School facility a reality. Café Don Paco will also be providing complimentary coffee service during the ANS Open House. See you there!

LIBRARY

Dear Parents: This week, students in grades 2 to 5 will be taking the STAR test in order to begin working with the Accelerated Reader Program. The AR program is meant to assess students' reading and to build a lifelong love for reading. Please feel free to come by the Library if you want to learn more about it. At the same time, we want to inform you that, due to Open House, the Library will be closing at 2:25 pm tomorrow, Thursday, August 27.

TECHNOLOGY

Please come by the library hallway during Open House to preview the new look for the ANS webpage.

ELEMENTARY

- If you are looking for your child's tutoring to be effective and to teach him/her how to succeed independently, contact Ms. Cookie at creyes@ans.edu.ni for more information on "Getting the Most Out of Tutoring."
- Our Elementary School has adopted a new reading program. Teachers now have more resources to support their teaching and to better guide their students toward appropriate books and writing. The program teaches students strategies that will eventually help them develop into active readers and writers. During Open House there will be a presentation that will give you an overview of the program. Don't miss this great opportunity to learn more about your child's education. We look forward to seeing you during the main presentation at 5:45 p.m. in the Elementary Patio.
- We invite parents to participate in our Open House on **Thursday, August 27**, from **5 to 7 pm**. Please take this opportunity to get to know your children's teacher and grade expectations for this school year. There will be 2 sessions to accommodate parents with children in different grades. Parents can attend either one of the classroom presentations scheduled. The schedule for the 27 is: 5-5:45 pm, Classroom Presentations; 5:45-6:15 pm, Elementary Principal Presentation, Elementary Patio; 6:15-7 pm, Classroom Presentations. On this day after-school activities are cancelled.
- We invite parents to attend our first Tiger Meeting to be held on **Friday, August 28**, at **7:15 am** for students in grades K5 through 2nd and at **8:15 am** for students in grades 3rd through 5th. The Tiger Meeting will take place in the Elementary Patio. This wonderful activity has been organized by 2nd and 5th grade students and teachers.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- For tomorrow's Open House, parents can speak to the P.E. teachers as follows: Elementary in the Elementary Patio; Middle School and High School in Room 506. Our P.E. teachers will be pleased to inform you about the ANS Physical Education program.
- Due to the Staff Development Day (early dismissal for students) on Wednesday, August 26, and the Open House on Thursday, August 27, there will be no after-school sport activities on these days.

CPR: Cooperation, Participation, Respect

DIRECTOR GENERAL'S CORNER

Dear Parents:

We cordially invite you to attend the annual ANS Open House on **Thursday, August 27**. The Elementary schedule for this event will be from **5-7 pm**. The Secondary schedule will be from **6-8 pm**. We remind parents to stop by the area in front of the Director General's office to **vote** in the annual **Board election** in which 3 members will be selected.

Several improvement projects were carried out at ANS during the summer break, one of which was the renovation of classrooms in the Middle and High Schools. Please go by and take a look at them.

Finally, we remind you of an opportunity to hear from influenza expert Dr. Juan Jose Amador about the H1N1 virus and prevention measures at school and for home. If you have not attended this presentation, his next session is scheduled for **Friday, September 4**, at **12:30 pm**, in the Ossi Room.

We hope to see you at the Open House!

Sincerely,

Stan Key
Director General

HIGH SCHOOL

- Secondary Open House will be held on **Thursday, August 27**, from **6-8 pm**. All parents are 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.
- On August 19, at UAM, Maria del Carmen Perez Cuadra, our 10th grade Spanish teacher and writer, participated in a forum with author Sergio Ramirez who authored an anthology of short stories called "Perdon y Olvido." Congratulations Mrs. Perez for your participation!
- Also on August 19, the Zamora Teran Foundation and LAFISE BANCENTRO donated the first shipment of XO Laptops as part of the program One Computer per Child. This program will have an important impact on the education of the children of Nicaragua. Congratulations to the Zamora Teran Foundation and BANCENTRO for their investment in Nicaragua.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Middle School students will be electing their representatives to the Student Council on Monday August 31. We wish good luck to all candidates.
- We encourage Middle School parents to visit their children's teachers during Open House, which will be held on **Thursday, August 27**, from **6-8 pm**. This is a great opportunity not only to meet them in person, but also to learn about specifics of each class.
- If your child is interested in applying for the National Junior Honor Society, the application may be downloaded directly from the Middle School webpage.

STUDENT SERVICES

- Parents of Seniors: Mrs. Vaughan communicates with students and parents through e-mail. If you have not received any messages from Mrs. Vaughan, please contact Student Services ASAP (rsmithvaughan@ans.edu.ni or 2278-0029 ext. 41), so you receive important university information.
- Representatives from the University of Pennsylvania will be in Nicaragua on August 27 and 28. A community wide information session will be held from 7-9 pm on August 27 in the Ossi Room.
- A representative from Loyola University – New Orleans will be on campus on August 31 to meet with our interested Seniors. For further information, please contact Student Services (2278-0029 ext. 41).