



Library

Dear Parents: The ANS Library receives a variety of magazines every month. One can find many interesting and helpful articles. Some of the articles that stood out this month were: *The Power of Birth Order, Bully Proof Your Child, Discipline Across Two Households, and Mommy Isn't*

Feeling Well Today. We welcome you to come and take a look at these great articles.

We also want to remind you about the "Used Book Sale" going on at the Library. All books on sale are only US\$1.

Elementary

Grades 3-5 teachers and counselor continue to work on "The Caring School" program. Teachers are starting morning meetings, which build cohesiveness and positive relationships in the classroom. Another important aspect of the program is "Resolving Conflicts." Students are participating in activities related to the topic. We ask for your support at home. Please

contact the counselor or classroom teacher for more information on this program.

The Measure of Academic Progress test (MAP) has been completed for 3rd-5th grade students. Parents will get their child's results during Report Card Day.

Middle School

Our First Tiger Rally was a complete success! Our Middle School students outdid themselves with their creativity, and they presented their work with style. We would like to recognize the work of our two Masters of Ceremony, Gabriela Lanzas and Jonathan Gallegos. As well, we would like to thank

the parents that came to support our students. Check out the pictures in the Middle School webpage under MS Students.

Last Friday, we received the visit of 20 soccer players from the *Soccer without Borders* organi-

zation. These young athletes played alongside our 8th graders, and both groups showed great sportsmanship and grace. We thank Ms. Hailey McCarthy for arranging for this meet. Check out the pictures in the Middle School web page under MS Students.

High School

Paperless Report Cards: The online grades initiative was started a few years ago as the school went to web-based grading with PowerSchool. Four years ago, parents and students began using the web-based system that currently provides paperless report cards for the 1st and 3rd quarter grades. Through this system grades are constantly available for review.

as more and more districts are taking measures to reduce costs." ANS is not alone in these cost saving measures.

Families that are unable to print out or view grades online can do so at the school Library on **October 22, after 11:00 am.** The teachers will also be able to display the quarter grades for parents during the classroom visits. If you have any questions, please call the respective Secondary office. We will send out a final reminder next week.

Ann Flynn, Director of Educational Technology for the National Association of School Boards, says that "paperless report cards are the rule, rather than the exception,

College Corner

Ms. Kristin Crosby, from Bates College, and Ms. Amy Markham, from Wheaton College, will be visiting our Seniors on Wednesday,

October 13. On Thursday, October 14, the representatives from Elon University and Roger Williams University

will be visiting our school. On Friday, October 15, we will hold a videoconference with American University.

Physical Education

ANS continuously improves its facilities, including athletic ones. Just recently a storage room was built in the Elementary area to keep all the Elementary sports equipment in a safe and comfortable place. In the CAA and Elementary Basketball Court we have also placed wooden pull up bars that are used by all student-athletes to perform different athletic routines, especially in gymnastics. Finally, we inform that the outside north wall of our

swimming pool was also remodeled. All these improvements will benefit our students and give our School a better appearance.

Tae Kwon Do (5 years and older), as well as self-defense classes (adults), will start on Monday, October 25. The information will be sent to you this week by email. For more details, contact us at sports@ans.edu.ni.

OCTOBER 22, REPORT CARDS, 11 AM DISMISSAL

Readak classes for 5th to 12th graders start next week, and there is still time to enroll. For more information, please contact the course instructor, Cindy Conquest, at cconquest@readak.com. You can also find her in the school Library during the day.

Please take note of the following change of date:

The Red Cross will visit ANS on **Wednesday, October 27, from 8 am to 2 pm,** for its annual blood drive. Students 17 years and older who want to donate blood should drop by the infirmary to pick up a permission slip. Only students with a signed permission slip from their parents will be allowed to donate blood. Teachers and parents are encouraged to donate blood also.

The giveaway date for the **2nd Annual ANSF Tuition Raffle** has been changed. In order to give the ANS community ample time to purchase their tickets, the giveaway will now take place on **February 26,** during the Kermesse. Thank you for supporting *Building Tomorrow Today* through your purchase of raffle tickets!

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