

OCTOBER 22: REPORT CARD DAY, 11 AM DISMISSAL

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This year we are keeping the Fall Festival to more of an ANS community event. We remind parents and students that you may bring a guest, but he/she must arrive in the same vehicle as you do.

- Tickets for the Festival are C\$20 and are on sale now at the Cashier, as well as C\$5, C\$10, and C\$20 coupons. They will also be sold at the next Elementary School Tiger Meeting on Friday, October 23.
- In an effort to cut down on congestion in the main parking lot, the upper parking lot will also be open during the Festival, and you are welcome to park there and get your tickets from a cashier in that location.
- Please remember to bring in a bag of candy for the trick-or-treating at the Festival. They may be dropped off at the Elementary or Middle School Offices.
- The Cashier is now selling ANS lined notebooks, graph notebooks, agendas, and two-pocket folders. Get them for your children while supplies last.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- **Upcoming Athletic Events: Wednesday, October 28**, gymnastics event (only ANS Elementary girls); **Wednesday, November 4**, VI Lower Elementary Swimming Festival (only students grades K4, K5, 1 & 2); **November 3-12**, 3 vs 3 Basketball Intramural Tournament for Middle (lunch time) and High School (after-school) students; **Thursday, November 5**, VI Upper Elementary Swimming Festival (only students grades 3, 4, & 5); **Monday, November 9**, Elementary Interscholastic Gymnastics Contest for Elementary Girls; **November 12-13**, swimming contest XI Anniversary of Las Pirañas ANS (7 clubs); **November 17-20**, varsity players vs. faculty, starting at 3:30 pm (Nov. 17 volleyball, Nov. 18 basketball, Nov. 19 softball, and Nov. 20 soccer); **Friday, November 13**, extracurricular sport activities end - they resume on January 18, 2010; **Saturday, November 14**, Interscholastic Track and Field Event (morning hours).
- During Report Card Day on October 22, our swimming teacher & Elementary PE Teachers will be in the Elementary Patio while our Middle and High School PE teachers will be in Room 506.

ELEMENTARY

- We remind parents of our first Report Card Day of this year tomorrow, **Thursday, October 22**. Student dismissal is at 11 am. Report cards will be distributed from 11:15 am until 2:30 pm. Report cards for grades K3-2nd will be distributed in each classroom and for grades 3-5 they will be distributed in the Elementary Patio. If you would like to have a conference with your child's teacher during this day, be sure to sign up for it. Signup sheets are outside the classroom. The conferences are organized in 15 minutes intervals. If you feel you need more time to conference, please arrange a formal conference for another day through the Elementary Office.
- October 15 was Global Handwashing Day. This annual celebration supported by the UN is designed to raise awareness about the benefits of handwashing with soap. Every classroom teacher in the Elementary School received a planner's guide booklet with ideas and posters to celebrate this event. Throughout the week, the teachers had an opportunity to talk to their students about the importance of washing hands and proper hygiene practices in order to avoid diseases.
- Our next Tiger Meeting is this **Friday, October 23**. We invite all parents to attend. For K5 to 2nd grade the meeting will be at 10:15 am and for grades 3-5 it will be at 11:15 am. Students who have purchased the school spirit shirts (Proud to be Tigers), may wear it with jeans on Friday. We hope to see many parents at this wonderful assembly.

CPR: Cooperation, Participation, Respect

ANS RAFFLE

- The *Building Tomorrow Today* Tuition Raffle giveaway date is fast approaching! Remember you can purchase tickets or charge them to your account at the ANS Cashier. Three prizes will be awarded: One year free tuition or US\$6,000 in cash / One semester free tuition or US\$3,000 in cash / One quarter free tuition or US\$1,500 in cash. All proceeds from the raffle will benefit the construction of the new ANS High School building. Support *Building Tomorrow Today*!
- We are happy to announce that Duty Free Attenza/Aerolibre will be selling Cafe Don Paco's Jungle Java blend at their airport store, in front of Gate #4. All sales will benefit *Building Tomorrow Today*. Our special thanks to the Barberena and Montealegre families for their support.

LIBRARY

- We are currently celebrating *Teen Read Week* at the ANS Library. To commemorate such an important occasion, we have posted a quick link on the ANS webpage. This link contains some very important tips to help teens develop good reading habits. We invite you to take a look at this vital information.
- We also want to remind you that grades will not be distributed to students who have pending library material. If you have any questions about this matter, please write to library@ans.edu.ni. Thank you for your cooperation.

TECHNOLOGY

We have established a WebNetwork for all our ANS Faculty and Students. What does this mean? Every ANS faculty and student that has access to internet can connect from anywhere in the world via WebNetwork to our school server (<http://portal.ans.edu.ni>). This includes access to documents, desktop, and software licensed to school. With projects like this, the Technology Committee continues to strive for excellence with web 2.0 tools and 21st century skills.

COUNSELORS

We would like to thank all of the parents who participated in the Effective Communication workshop yesterday. Everyone who attended made very valuable contributions. In the future, we hope to discuss other important issues of interest for parents.

STUDENT SERVICES

- Please remind your Senior son or daughter to log into their Naviance Workspace account, click on the "MY COLLEGES" section, and complete the waiver with their Common Application information. Student Services is UNABLE to send supporting documentation until this section has been completed.
- **UPCOMING UNIVERSITY VISITS:** Please contact Student Services for further information at 2278-0029 ext. 41: **Worcester Polytechnic Institute**, Tuesday, October 27; **Villanova University/Ringling College of Art & Design/University of Miami/Babdon College/Hofstra University/Emory University**, Wednesday, October 28; **Tulane University**, Thursday, October 29; **University of Tampa**, Friday, October 30.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Just to remind parents that this Thursday, October 22, is Report Card Day. Parents can visit teachers in their classrooms about any concerns they might have. Report cards will be distributed from 11 am until 2:05 pm in the Library and from 2:05 until 3:30 pm in the office.
- Members of the Middle School Student Council and National Junior Honor Society went this weekend to the Chacocente project to paint the new kitchen and eating area. The project is growing by leaps and bounds.