



**Fall Festival**

Thank you to all the Room Parents and parent volunteers who worked so hard at making the Fall Festival last Friday a success. We appreciate your time, dedication, and creativity. We couldn't do it without your support. Thanks also to the teachers,

assistants, and students who volunteered, Mr. Cartwright's 9<sup>th</sup> grade class in particular, and to the maintenance and house-keeping staff who worked tirelessly with us to set up and then clean up.

**Middle School**

The National Junior Honor Society will hold an Induction Ceremony for its recently-accepted members on Tuesday, November 9, at 6:30 pm, in the Ossi Room. Please join us in congratulating Ana Cecilia Gurdian,

Maria Fernanda Lopez, Paola Lopez, Diana Metz, Hwayoung Seo, Arnoldo Bermudez, Erickson Miranda, Maria Fernanda Navarro, and Gabriela Orozco.

Check out the Middle School webpage to find the assessment calendars for each grade level, pictures of recent events, and some important articles in the "parenting" link.

**Elementary**

It's exciting to see writing happening across grade levels. Ms. Vivian's 2<sup>nd</sup> graders got together with Ms. Susan's 3<sup>rd</sup> graders for peer feedback on personal narratives. It was neat hearing our third graders giving positive feedback using the language of the writing continuum. In fifth grade, the students had an author's chair celebration. The students in the three classes shared their writing with each other in the Ossi Room using the sound system. What a great way to support our kids' English oral language development and presentation skills!

critically about literature along with developing their writing skills. We encourage parents to continue supporting reading at home by checking the reading logs that go home with their children. This is a great opportunity to ask questions about reading or share a reading moment with your child.

Across all grade levels, teachers are having our students respond to reading in journals. The use of reading response journals supports the learners' ability to think

READ posters from Book Character Day will be presented on November 23 during Reading Celebration Day. We had the honor to have Harry Potter, Junie B. Jones, Fancy Nancy, Baby Mouse, Madeline, Silli Sally, Cat in the Hat & friends, Craig from Dairy of Wimpy Kid, and many others. Thank you all for your support.

**College Corner**

TEST Registration Deadlines: December SAT and ACT Exams, **November 5**.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** If university application deadlines are between December 1-31, the appropriate paperwork should have been handed in to Ms. Leyla or Mrs. Vaughan in Student Services no later than November 1<sup>st</sup>. If the university application deadline is January or the

beginning of February, the appropriate paperwork should be handed in to Ms. Leyla or Mrs. Vaughan in Student Services **NO LATER THAN** November 24 (Wednesday prior to Thanksgiving) as stated in the "Statement of Responsibility" contract.

**Physical Education**

The week of November 1-5, Copa America XXI play offs for basketball, soccer, and volleyball will take place. Most ANS teams will be playing championship games. We encourage parents to come and support our Tigers. Check the schedule in the Athletics section of our webpage. The official closing ceremony will take place in the CAA on **Friday, November 5, at 5 pm**. Everyone is welcome to attend. Even when Copa America ends this week, extracurricular sports will continue. From November 8-19, all students enrolled in after-school sports will have practices and friendly matches.

We are in the third week (out of five) of the Elementary Basketball Intramural Games for girls and boys in grades 3, 4 & 5. We have 5 girls' teams (41 girls) and 6 boys' teams (48 boys). Matches take place during lunch time, and all our participants are having a lot of fun. With these kinds of activities we promote sportsmanship, improve school spirit, and also teach the fundamentals of the game. Make time to come and cheer on your child. He/she'll love to see you at school supporting him/her. The game schedule is posted on the Athletic section of our webpage.

**NOVEMBER 10:**  
11 am dismissal

Good news! You can now make donations to *Building Tomorrow Today* campaign on line. Please visit the ANS website at [www.ans.edu.ni](http://www.ans.edu.ni) and click on the *Donate Now* button to make your donation. You can use your credit card to make a one time donation or schedule a payment plan. Thank you for your support!

ANS is launching the "YOU CAN CHOOSE" campaign during the week of November 15 to 19. The goal is to support students in making responsible and healthy choices. We will be addressing different topics, including decision-making skills, peer pressure, healthy habits, and creating awareness about drug and alcohol use. Activities related to all these topics are being planned by the counselors taking into consideration age group appropriateness. We will keep you updated as to the activities to be held throughout the week.

Dear Parents: Do you enjoy doing yoga? Would you like your children to share this activity? Come by the Library and check out *My Daddy is a Pretzel.*" This is a great book that introduces yoga to kids by mixing the different poses into a story. We also want to remind you to take a look at *What to Do When Bad Habits Take Hold*" and *Bullies to Buddies*, "which deals with how to turn bullies into friends. Come by and visit us.