

## BSCR IMPORTANT NOTICE

### Enrollment 2026

Dear Parents: We remind you that the registration fee for the 2026 school year is due on November 6, 2025, and that the required documents must be sent using the form attached to the registration circular, which was sent on October 6, 2025.

## UPCOMING DATES

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| Monday 3rd November:    | Year 7B service learning activity - Caipad Aciosa |
| Monday 3rd November:    | Year 4 PSHE Workshop - 'Money Matters'            |
| Wednesday 5th November: | EY3 Storytelling activity                         |
| Wednesday 5th November: | Year 7A service learning activity - Caipad Aciosa |
| Friday 7th November:    | Year 8B service learning activity - Chepe se baña |
| Monday 10th November:   | Start of Year 11 End of Year Exam week            |



## BSCR NEWS - GENERAL

### Correct Email Addresses

With the objective of ensuring efficiency of communication we would like to respectfully remind all Community Members to please send emails directly to the relevant staff member as detailed below:

- Academic matters - EY/Primary - Head: [gmallon@bscr.ed.cr](mailto:gmallon@bscr.ed.cr) / Deputy: [rlizano@bscr.ed.cr](mailto:rlizano@bscr.ed.cr)
- Academic matters - Secondary - Head: [cvasquez@bscr.ed.cr](mailto:cvasquez@bscr.ed.cr) / Deputy: [gjones@bscr.ed.cr](mailto:gjones@bscr.ed.cr)
- Academic matters - General - Headmaster: [dberridge@bscr.ed.cr](mailto:dberridge@bscr.ed.cr)
- Regular administrative matters (e.g. student absences, early departures, change of route home etc.): [reception@bscr.ed.cr](mailto:reception@bscr.ed.cr)
- Transosys (student bus service): [info@transosys.com](mailto:info@transosys.com)
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- Admissions Inquiries: [admissions@bscr.ed.cr](mailto:admissions@bscr.ed.cr)
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### Year 5's Egg-cellent Challenge: Forces, Gravity, and Protection!

Year 5 students have been putting their scientific knowledge to the ultimate test! After exploring the key concepts of gravity, anti-gravity, and various forces in their STEAM and IPC lessons, they moved into the MakerSpace for a practical challenge. The task was to design and build a contraption capable of protecting an egg from breaking when dropped from increasing heights. This required careful application of knowledge about force reduction and impact absorption. Students fully immersed themselves in the process, from planning and designing their protective structures to the hands-on fun of building and testing. The atmosphere was buzzing with collaboration, and the highlight, of course, was the nerve-wracking but

exciting moment of the Egg Drop. A huge well done to Year 5 for demonstrating fantastic problem-solving skills and scientific thinking!

### Year 5 Service Learning Project

On Monday this week, Year 5 House Captains / Vice Captains, accompanied by Mr Mallon and Teacher Lucia, visited the Children's Hospital to hand over 19 beautiful pieces of Artwork that will be used to brighten up the corridors of the Emergency Ward at the hospital. The group were representative of all Year 5 students who have worked diligently over the last few months, under the guidance of Teacher Lucia, to produce the ocean inspired canvases. Well done to all Year 5 students on a job very well done!



### Maths Olympiad Final Successes

A huge congratulations to Julian Barquero for his regional final performance in his age category (Year 3) as part of the Maths Olympics Tournament (OLCOMEP). We are incredibly proud of his achievement and we look forward to accompanying him to the prestigious awards ceremony that will take place at UCR on the morning of Wednesday 26th November where he will receive his medal.



### Costa Rican Informatics Olympiad

Congratulations to Luisa Rodríguez and Emiliano Robalino, both from Year 9, on being awarded bronze and gold medals, respectively, at the Costa Rican Informatics Olympiad (OCI) that took place on Wednesday of this week.

### IB Celebration and Reflection Activity

Our Year 11 and Year 12 IB students came together to celebrate and share their IB experiences and insights, reflecting on their learning journey and growth as students of this prestigious programme. Year 12 students demonstrated their true understanding of the CAS Service component by giving up their time and knowledge to aid others. The event ended with the final parachute activity for graduating BSCR students, something they first shared when they were in 'early years'! The event celebrated the teamwork and joy of the IB community at BSCR. Congratulations to all, and best wishes for the future!



### Blue Valley Model United Nations

Last weekend, Arturo Latuche Araya from the BSCR Model United Nations Club participated in the BlueValley Model United Nations. We recognize the valuable participation of Arturo for representing the BSCR in this enriching experience.

### British School Shines at the National Plasma Competitions

We are extremely proud to share that several Year 12 students represented The British School of Costa Rica with outstanding success at the National PLASMA Competitions, organized by Universidades.cr. This prestigious event brings together over 80 schools from across the country, offering scholarships and prizes to the top-performing teams. Its purpose is to provide young people with a unique and free opportunity to test their skills and interests through hands-on challenges that reflect different vocational fields and future career paths.

#### Business: National Finalists

Team: Isabella D'Arsie, Luisana Gómez, Isabella Moya

#### Mathematics: Second Place Nationally

Team: Isabella D'Arsie, Luisana Gómez, Isabella Moya

#### Design: National Champions

Team: Rania Canales and Roberto Zúñiga

#### Health: National Champions

Team: Rania Canales, Daniela Martínez, and Roberto Zúñiga

#### Technology: National Champions

Team: Logan Convery, Gastón Goddard, and Roberto Zúñiga

The competitions were filmed and are being broadcast every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. on Extra TV until December. You can watch them at [www.extratvcr.com](http://www.extratvcr.com) or on the following channels: Claro 145, Liberty 14, Kolbi 42, Tigo 42, and American Data 28. Congratulations to our talented students for their effort, teamwork, and spirit of excellence that make us all so proud!

### Year 9 Service Learning Project

As part of the Service Learning projects, Y9A focused on supporting the work of the **ALCCI** (Asociación Lucha Contra el Cáncer Infantil) and **Giamala**, foundations, organizations committed to education, early detection, and accompaniment during the treatment of childhood and adolescent cancer.

During the two visits made, the students had the opportunity to visit the shelters of both foundations, interact with the beneficiary children, as well as with the families facing the challenges associated with the disease. In addition, they delivered the donation resulting from the campaign held at the School weeks ago, which managed to raise a total amount of **₡457, 200**, divided equally between both foundations. This contribution represents a valuable aid for ALCCI and Giamala to continue their work of accompaniment, education, and support for the affected families. Thank you to the entire community for your valuable contribution.



### Year 9 Social Studies Field Trip

Last Wednesday, October 22nd, we had the opportunity to go with Year 9 to Hacienda La Chimba. The objective was to complement the aspects seen in the Social Studies class with the students, related to the beginning, development, and current situation of coffee in Costa Rica. This activity fostered the School values of independence and especially responsibility, as the aim was for each student to have a close-up experience of learning how the process of coffee production, processing, and export develops.

The field trip consisted of three parts. In the first part, the group entered a trail through the coffee plantations (approximately 3 km), where they could appreciate the different production soils, cultivation techniques, and of course, a beautiful landscape. The second part consisted of a tour about the types of coffee, production techniques, and ways of processing this product, in addition to tasting the different types of coffee. Finally, we enjoyed a delicious lunch at the hacienda's restaurant. The students not only enjoyed themselves but also reinforced their learning process with a very positive attitude.