

UPCOMING DATES

Saturday 28th February:	International Fair
Tuesday 3rd March:	Primary Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Workshop
Wednesday 4th March:	Start of Year 9 Camp
Tuesday 10th March:	Start of Year 6 MEP Diagnostic Tests
Thursday 12th March:	Year 3 Exit Point

BSCR NEWS - GENERAL

International Fair 2026

We would like to inform you that water games will be among the activities scheduled for that day. For this reason, we recommend that students and parents who wish to participate bring a towel, a change of clothes, and extra footwear to ensure their comfort for the remainder of the event. Additionally, we are pleased to announce that this year both parents and students will be able to use the inflatables.

Fund-raiser

As part of their CAS project, a group of Year 12 students aims to raise funds and collect used soccer cleats (boots) to donate to the Club Sport La Libertad Foundation. This foundation is dedicated to helping underprivileged youth train in soccer, promoting values such as teamwork, honesty, and integrity to prevent them from falling into drug use, crime, gangs, or dropping out of school. If you would like to donate, you can do so via SINPE [87822796](https://www.sinpe.gob.cr) on BSCR. If you would like to donate soccer cleats (boots) or learn more about this project, please email Ms Loughery (CAS coordinator) on rloughery@bscr.ed.cr



Adoption and Donation Campaign - Fundación Nórdicos de Costa Rica

As part of our Service Learning program, we are partnering with Fundación Nórdicos de Costa Rica to develop a solidarity campaign through two initiatives: a donation campaign and an adoption day.

Donation Campaign: From February 23 to March 6, we will be receiving donations to support the daily care of rescued dogs. You can contribute with: disinfectant, bleach, laundry detergent, dry food, and canned food. These items will be collected at the school entrance on the specified dates and at the adoption stand during the International Fair.

Adoption Campaign - International Fair: On February 28, during our long-awaited International Fair, the Foundation will join us with some of their dogs who are ready to find a home filled with love and responsibility.

We invite those who are interested to stop by, meet the dogs, and consider the possibility of adding a new member to their family.

BSCR NEWS - EARLY YEARS & PRIMARY

Dance Success

Congratulations to Maria Jose Quiros (Year 4) on her performance at the NYCDA regionals in Orlando. She was nominated as one of the outstanding dancer finalists and participated in two group choreographies: the first won 4th place in the jazz mini category and the second won several awards including 1st place in the teen hip hop category as 1st place in the teen large group category as well as the critics choice!



Library Leaders

During Monday's Assembly Teacher Adilia shared with our Primary School who will be our Library Leaders for this year. Please click on the following link to learn more about who the Library Leaders are and what role they play in our Primary School.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1K9HTCa7JdWB1nJG62CQgQpfyM503TUWh/view>

Chess Champion

Congratulations to Atharv Marwaha (Year 4) on finishing first, among 44 competitors, in the U-10 category of the Campeonatos Nacionales Categorias Menores Pares 2026 organised by the Costa Rican Chess Federation.

Primary Leadership Opportunities.

In Monday's assembly we were delighted to announce the students who will assume a variety of leadership roles in Primary this year. Through these roles, they will continue to demonstrate the school's values on a consistent daily basis and be outstanding role models for their peers. Congratulations to the students, highlighted in the following presentation, for taking on one of the Primary Leadership Roles.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ejHnX9cQn3v8cJ1zR5o_Dcq7HGhtCmSv/edit?slide=id.g3941c314fc6_0_150#slide=id.g3941c314fc6_0_150

BSCR NEWS - SECONDARY

Leadership Workshop - Lead University

On February 18th, students from the Mentor Program participated in a Leadership Workshop held at Lead University. The activity was aimed at senior students from the NB and IB programs who, throughout this school year, are accompanying younger students and taking on a key role within our educational community. The workshop focused on developing soft skills and leadership based on four key pillars: prioritizing and categorizing objectives, strategic organization and communication, conflict management and mediation, and effective feedback.

These lessons will strengthen their work as mentors throughout the year and provide them with essential tools for their future personal, academic, and professional development.

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Every year, the Mentor Program selects NB and senior IB students who have demonstrated commitment, leadership, and responsibility throughout their time at the school, actively contributing to building a community based on support, empathy, and positive leadership.

The mentors who attended the workshop were: Leila Campabadal, Camila Vásquez, Ana María Arciniegas, Marco Jop, Sally Fung, Ariana Rojas, Nina Kierszenson, Marcella Patel, Sofia Morice, Nicolás McCrea, Ignacio Blanco, and Julián Pontigo.



National University Exams (Year 11 NB and Year 12 Students Only)

During the past week, Year 11 National Baccalaureate and Year 12 students completed the initial online registration for the national public university entrance exams. The next step in this registration process is to pay the exam fee. Payment must be made by each student with the support of their parents. The cost is 7,000 colones per university (UCR, UNA, and TEC), and the deadline for payment is March 20. The total cost to take the three admission exams is 21,000 colones. For the University of Costa Rica, payments will only be made and processed through the following link: [Payment UCR Admissions Exam](#). For UNA and TEC, payment can be made using one of the following options:

- BN Internet Personal Banking
- bancobcr.com
- Banco Nacional Services Agency (BN Servicios) or physical branches of Banco Nacional de Costa Rica or Banco de Costa Rica

In the payment details, the name of the registered student and their identification number (identity card, passport, or residence card) must be included.

For more information about the enrollment process for Costa Rican public universities, please visit <https://admission.ac.cr>, where you can access the 2026–2027 Enrollment Booklet. This document contains very important information about the process. If you have any questions or need additional information about the university admissions process, please contact Ana Lourdes Baumgartner at abaumgartner@bscr.ed.cr.

BSCR NEWS - Student Development Services (SDS)

Year 9 Camp

The SDS team in secondary school is very excited about the upcoming Year 9 Camp at Outward Bound Costa Rica, set in the beautiful mountains of San Ramón de Tres Ríos! This camp is an amazing opportunity for our students to grow in so many ways. Through fun outdoor challenges and team activities, they will strengthen important skills like teamwork, communication, and problem-solving. Students will also develop independence as they take on tasks on their own, learn to adapt to new situations, and build resilience when facing challenges. On top of that, the camp encourages leadership, empathy, and responsibility toward others. We can't wait to see our students take on these adventures and share their experiences—and of course, we'll be posting lots of photos and updates when we get back!