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Upcoming Dates

Tuesday 15th September:	School Closed - National Holiday
Thursday 17th September:	BSCR Boy's Cat. D Football Vs. Colegio Calasanz
Friday 18th September:	Last day of Quarter Three
Monday 28th September:	First day of Quarter Four
Monday 28th September:	Start of final IGCSE Examinations for Year 10



BSCR NEWS - GENERAL

Boxes of Hope 2026 Results

On Friday, August 28, we enjoyed a joyful and enthusiastic event as our students participated in the final handover for the Boxes of Hope 2026 food drive competition. This year, Poás took first place, followed by Arenal, Barva, and Irazú. However, the most important aspect was that this initiative brought together a large part of our school community and reminded us that, beyond the competition between Houses, every contribution can make a significant impact. Thanks to the support and solidarity of our students, their families, and staff members, we collected—among many other items—537 kg of rice, 126 kg of legumes, 409 cans of food, and hundreds of hygiene products. The donations were distributed to Fundación Giamala, FundaVida, Fundación Pro Unidad de Cuidado Paliativo Pediátrico, and Fundación Lloverá—organizations that extend their sincere gratitude to our community for the support received.

On behalf of the Houses and the Service Learning program, we extend our deepest thanks to everyone who made this initiative possible. Every contribution counted, and together we made a difference!

Children's Day

On Wednesday our Learning Community came together to celebrate Children's Day with numerous activities throughout the School - please see our social media pages for details. We would like to thank all students and staff members who worked hard to provide our students with such special activities.



SDS Staff Workshop

This past Wednesday, the SDS team held a workshop for our Year 4 and Year 5 teachers, delivered by teacher Amy, focused on Building Respectful Student Relationships. The session explored not only how to respond to challenging interactions in a timely and purposeful way, but also how we can proactively foster positive and respectful peer relationships within the classroom. Teachers reflected on practical strategies to create a classroom environment where students feel supported, included, and empowered to build healthy relationships with their peers.



Taekwondo Success

Congratulations to Nicolas Alfaro (Year 5) on his participation at the recent Festival de Taekwondo. Representing his academy, Bhan-Seok, Nicolas won three gold medals (one in 'Poomsae' and two in 'Board Breaking') and one silver medal (Sparring / Kyorugi).

House Taekwondo Tournament

We are delighted to share that we are currently holding a Taekwondo House tournament during lunchtime. This is an inaugural event and has allowed students from both Early Years and Primary to showcase the skills they have been learning during their Taekwondo club.



Peer Assessment Activity

Last week saw students from Mr. Mallon's Year 5 Literacy Challenge Group work collaboratively with T.Katingo's Y4C class to teach them various methods of peer assessment in relation to improving their writing. This was a valuable exercise for both sets of students.

BSCR NEWS - EARLY YEARS & PRIMARY

Year 2C Assembly

Y2C recently presented their assembly, "A World Upside Down," where the children had the opportunity to step into the roles of adults and imagine what the world would be like if they were the ones in charge. Through their performance, song, and creative ideas, the children shared an important message with our school community: children's voices matter, they deserve to be heard, and everyone has wonderful ideas. It was lovely to see the children's confidence, creativity, and enthusiasm as they took on their roles and shared such a meaningful message. They truly enjoyed turning the world "upside down" for a little while!



BSCR NEWS - SECONDARY



Maths Olympics

Congratulations to Emiliano Robalino (Year 10) on being selected to represent Costa Rica at the XLI Olimpiada Iberoamericana Matemática in Argentina.

Year 11 NB Talks

On Thursday, the Year 11 NB English students delivered their annual "NB Talks." The students each planned and delivered a speech on a topic they are passionate about and delivered it to the school community in the auditorium. There were a wide variety of topics ranging from the role of AI in our everyday lives, to lessons learned from intrapersonal relationships, to practical advice for managing mental health. Congratulations to all the speakers on a successful event, and thank you to everyone who came to support them.