



ECA CAMPO NEWS

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Weekly ECA Parent Bulletin

This Week at ECA

January 22-31

THIMUN

(The Hague Model United Nations)

January 29

International Fair Planning Meeting
STAR Plaza
8:30 am

International Fair Planning Meeting

The first planning meeting for the 2008-2009 International Fair will be this Thursday, January 29th at 8:30 am in the STAR Plaza. We hope to have a representative from each of the 41 countries that make up the student body at ECA. Even if you come from a small contingent, you may be able to join with other countries from your region and find some way of demonstrating pride in your country. The fair will look different this year because of the construction project so your ideas on how to improve the fair will be very welcome.

The 2008-2009 International Fair will be held on Saturday, March 28th.



VANAS Conference— A Big Success!

Over 400 educators from international schools throughout Venezuela, Aruba and Curacao met at ECA last Friday to share ideas about curriculum and programs in our schools. Keynote speakers Salle Quakenboss and Lori Langer presented two important topics on instructional strategies to improve student achievement and language and culture in global education. ECA faculty presented 26 of the 50 workshops. All ECA faculty and staff were involved in making this an outstanding conference. A steering committee chaired by Virginia Udall and including Revital Abadi, Jo DeVries, Kathy Furrer, Betsy MacDonald, Aland Russell, Derek Smith, Mariolga Tosta were instrumental in making this a success. It was an exciting and rewarding learning day for our faculty.

Dr. Max Tudor from the Office of Overseas School, United States Department of State was on hand to present Jean Vahey with a certificate for her commitment as an international educator and service to ECA. This was particularly memorable because Max had hired Jean and her future husband, Bill in the mid 1970's to teach in the American School of Madrid in Jean's first international assignment.



Elementary School News



Story Time

Claudia Soto entertained a library full of children with the story of “The Elves and the Shoemaker” at the last Story Time. Children also got to make their own elf puppets! The next Story Time will be Saturday, February 7, at 10:30 am in the library.



Admission of Siblings

If you have a younger child that will be applying for admission for August of 2009, please contact us as soon as possible to begin the process. Email: joan_bastianini@eca.com.
Please come or stop by the admissions office.

Middle School News

MIDDLE SCHOOL BEACH BASH



When: Friday January 30

Where: Pool and Star Plaza

Time: 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Tickets will be on sale in the cafeteria on Thursday and Friday.

Remember to bring swimwear!

THIMUN

On January 22nd, 10 students from ECA headed to Den Haag in the Netherlands to attend the annual THIMUN conference. They are representing the country of Zimbabwe, which will be a daunting task having to speak in favor of a country on the verge of economic collapse. They are accompanied by the MUN adviser Jeremy Jimenez and fellow chaperone Maria Elena Abraham. The students are traveling to Paris before the conference as well as Brussels after the conference for various cultural excursions.

The participating juniors are: Leon Morgenstern, Max La Cava, Roxanne Nederpel, Alessia Apostolatos, Fadi Turjman, and Frank Muci; the participating seniors are: Yann Alleman, Francisco Amador, Gustavo Franco, and Suhel Turjman.



High School News

9th Grade Honors

Shahad Al-Mazaini
Sophia Chaves
Mohammed Rossly
Daniel Salami
Najla Solorzano

9th Grade High Honors

Anton Apostolatos
Gabriela Arocha
Magdalena Atencio
Héleny Cadenas
Sung Wong Choi
Adrian Fernandez
Karina French
Amanda Kelly
Brenna Lohec
Aastha Minocha
Ana Nouel
Jacob Zabel
Tamar Ziff

10th Grade Honors

John-David Barton
Viviana Berlin
Carlos Coutinho
Wu Qing Mo
Yukari Mukai
Runa Tjaaland
Vanessa Wagner

10th High Honors

Lourdes Andrea Alonso
María Lucía Bernal
Joaquin Fernandez-Salvador
Rafael Guerra
Laura Hoyos
Alessia Marsiglio
Melissa Vega

11th Grade Honors

Alfredo Baudet
Erika Bendayan
Simon Castillo
Alejandro Caveró
Isabella Chacin
Nicole Da Costa
Clarissa Hines
Valery Lunar
Roxanne Nederpel
Shravan Raghavan

11th Grade High Honors

Tomas Allen
Alessia Apostolatos
María Corina Arnal
Arthur Canguçu
Hyung Mo Choi
Stefania Costantini
Estefania De Armero
Alexa Gasbarrino
José Francisco Muci
Jillian Norrie
María Fernanda Oneto
Chong-in Shin
Isabel Sosa
Fadi Turjman

12th Grade Honors

Yann Allemann
Sofia Altuna
Francisco Amador
Ana Luisa Atencio
Tomás Salvatierra
Francisco Solórzano

12th High Honors

Randall Alston
Ayana Andalco
Mara Benacerraf
Kristen Currier
Yihao Liang
Da Sol Lim
Caroline Murakami
Manisha Narula
Javier Pérez
José Sarmiento
Rajan Shrichand
Erika Smith
Luke Sonnet
Alexandra Torrealba
Suhel Turjman
Dirk Van Dam
Natalia Verdina



HS Principal, Jeff Paulson congratulates the students for their academic achievements.

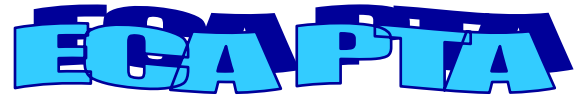
Upcoming Events

February

- 3 PTA Monthly Meeting 2:00 pm
- 5-7 HS VANAS Boys' Basketball & Girls' Soccer Tournament
- 5-6 5th Grade Field Trip (5B)
- 7 Story Time-Library 10:30 am
- 7 ACT
- 9-13 ES Art Exhibit
- 12-13 IB Theater Showcase
- 14 ECA Swim Meet
- 23-24 Carnival Break
- 27-29 HL IB Biology Trip

March

- 3 PTA Monthly Meeting 2:00 pm
- 4-7 CAISSA Boys' Basketball & Girls' Soccer
- 5-7 MS VANAS Girls' Soccer & Boys' Basketball



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Latin American Literature Book Group Spring 2009

The book group is open to all adult members of the ECA community. Join us!



January 31: Tomorrow In the Battle Think On Me
by Javier Marías

February 28: A World for Julius
by Alfredo Bryce Echenique

March 21: The Hummingbird's Daughter
by Luis Alberto Urrea

April 25: The Posthumous Memoirs of Bras Cubas
by Machado de Assis

May 23: Mi Planta de Naranja Lima (in Spanish)
by José Mauro de Vasconcelos

June 7: Poetry Selections of Pablo Neruda

Meetings are held at 11:00 a.m. in the ECA library. For more information, please contact Paula Hawkins at skaneateleslake@yahoo.com.



ECA PTA Friends of the Library

2009–2010 ECA Academic Calendar

August 10-14	New student orientation week
August 14	Orientation day 1-12th grades
August 17	Classes begin (1-12th grades)
	Orientation Nursery, PK & K
August 18	Classes begin (Nursery, PK & K)
October 12	National Holiday
October 19-23	Fall Break
December 16	Last day of class for 1st semester
January 11	Classes resume; 2nd semester begins
February 15-16	Carnival
March 29-April 2	Spring Break
April 19	National Holiday
June 11	Last day of school

Returning ECA students are expected to begin classes on the first day. Double absences will be assigned to all consecutive days.

You are invited to join the

ECA Community Choir

Do you enjoy singing?

If you do enjoy singing, then the ECA Community Choir is for you. We are a fun music group of ECA students, parents, faculty and staff. We will meet once each week to prepare for the ECA Spring Choirs Concert on April 24. Please come to our **next rehearsal on Thursday** to see for yourself. We welcome singers of all ages and ability levels – from the absolute beginner to professional.

Rehearsal will be Thursdays from 3:40 – 4:30 in Campo Dome Room C (choir room).

Please contact Cyril Udall Cyril_Udall@eca.com.ve if you would like more information.