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# From the Editors



Dear School Community,

We are delighted to give you our second newsletter! It brings us great joy to share the excellent commitment demonstrated by our 10th grade students. Their dedication has been truly commendable.

We are also very happy with the positive feedback we've received from the entire school community. Your support and encouragement mean a lot to us.

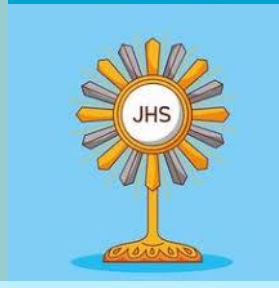
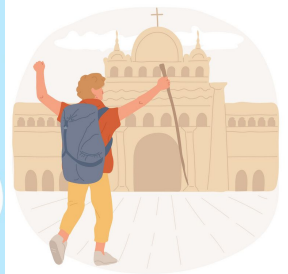
As we look forward to the upcoming semester, we are excited to inform you that, following the winter break, we will be opening the process to join this elective. We hope to see many of you participating and contributing to our vibrant school life.

Warm regards,  
**Fabrizio Costa & Rodrigo Cuevas**  
 Editors-in-Chief



## School Events (June / July)

- Report Card 2 (May 24)
- Tabancura vs. Verbo Divino Soccer Match (May 25)
- Study Trip to Northern Chile (II°A: May 26, II°B: June 2, II°C: June 9)
- 7th Graders - Lourdes Pilgrimage (May 26)
- Corpus Christi (May 30)
- Father's Day Celebration (June 14)
- National Day of Indigenous People - Holiday (June 20)
- Day Off - Holiday (June 21)
- WINTER BREAK (June 22- July 5)
- Day Off - Holiday (July 15)
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel (July 16)
- Report Card 3 - End of the Semester (July 26)



**LET'S GO  PENGUINS!**

# LUNCH MENUS



## May

By: Diego Araya and Ignacio Llona



		Wednesday 01	Thursday 02	Friday 03
		DAY OFF	Salad Bar Lunch: Beans Dessert: Popsicle	Salad Bar Lunch: Breaded chicken with mashed potatoes Dessert: Fruit
Monday 06	Tuesday 07	Wednesday 08	Thursday 09	Friday 10
Salad Bar Lunch: Beef goulash with rice Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Farfalle pasta with tuna sauce Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Chicken fillet with mashed potatoes Dessert: Custard	Salad Bar Lunch: Lentils Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Pizza Dessert: Fruit
Monday 13	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15	Thursday 16	Friday 17
Salad Bar Lunch: Pork loin with rice Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Spaghetti Bolognese Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Steak with mashed potatoes Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Meat Stew Dessert: Popsicle	Salad Bar Lunch: Peruvian chicken with rice Dessert: Fruit
Monday 20	Tuesday 21	Wednesday 22	Thursday 23	Friday 24
DAY OFF	DAY OFF	Salad Bar Lunch: Spirals with Alfredo sauce Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Charquican Dessert: Canned Peaches	Salad Bar Lunch: Homemade burgers with rice Dessert: Fruit
Monday 27	Tuesday 28	Wednesday 29	Thursday 30	Friday 31
Salad Bar Lunch: Chicken nuggets with rice Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Meatloaf with mashed potatoes Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Lasagna Dessert: Fruit	Salad Bar Lunch: Breaded beef with creamed corn Dessert: Jelly	Salad Bar Lunch: Breaded chicken with rice Dessert: Fruit

\*Menu subject to modifications\*



## NEW INFRASTRUCTURE

By Pedro Aguirre and Javier Portales

Our school recently received some amazing new facilities, and several existing ones got a makeover. We are thrilled to tell you all about them! Here are short descriptions of each. These improvements are making our school a better place for learning and having fun. We hope you enjoy reading our article!



### Library

It was inaugurated in September 2022 and houses about 15,000 titles. The library spans three floors, with literature and children's books primarily found on floors -1 and 1. The 2nd floor features informational books and study tables. Finally, the terrace is reserved for senior students (IV°) and teachers.



## Food Market

It was inaugurated on March 6th. The market opens at 8:00 am and closes at 5:00 pm. It offers a variety of foods, including hamburgers, sweets, cookies, drinks, snacks, muffins, and many other items. The market is owned by a chain called Easy Food.



## Playground

Inaugurated on March 6th, our new recreational area offers exciting activities to first and second graders during the recess. In addition to the soccer fields, children can enjoy our new playground, featuring slides, climbing walls, and much more. Come and join the fun!



## Elementary Building

Inaugurated on October 14th, 2023. This two-story building houses classrooms for first to fourth grade and includes a new infirmary. The playground features three soccer fields and the new recreational area we mentioned earlier.





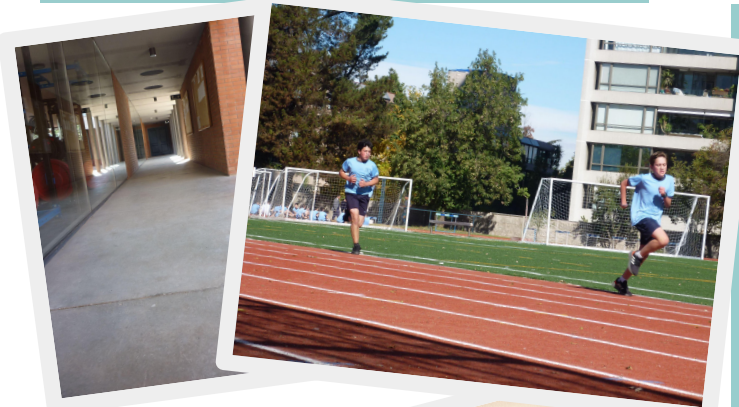
## The White House

Our cherished "White House" has been remodeled and enhanced in many aspects. It now features six offices for the members of the school board of directors, a secretary's office, two conference rooms, a dining room, a kitchenette, a living room, and beautiful hallways.



## The Aviary & The Wetland

Inaugurated in 2021, our aviary is home to approximately 55 birds, including peacocks, pheasants, ducks, and many others. Adjacent to the aviary, we inaugurated a wetland last year where you can observe a wide variety of fish, enhancing our wildlife viewing experience.



## Sports Facilities

Inaugurated on May 23rd, The soccer field and athletics track underwent significant remodeling. The soccer field now features synthetic grass, while the track has been completely upgraded. Additionally, There is a new gym that is accessible during sports classes and after school. Alongside this, there are new dressing rooms where students can change and shower after their sports and physical education classes. Finally, for our younger students, there is a new psychomotor training gym, specifically designed to enhance their developmental skills.



# PASTA NIGHT



by Martín Arraztoa & Martín Diaz de Valdes.

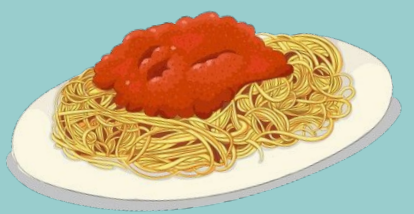


On the night of April 18, Tabancura School held a Pasta Night to raise money for charity activities. The event was a big success and a great experience for both families and the school.

Everyone had a wonderful time. Families enjoyed delicious pasta while helping to support a good cause. It was a fun night that brought the community together and showed how much we can achieve when we work together.



We hope that Pasta Night will happen again in the future. It was a positive event in every way, and it would be great to make it a regular tradition. Overall, Pasta Night was a fantastic evening for everyone involved.





by Lucas Naudon & Clemente Guzmán



**May 27, 1937**

First circumnavigation of the world by helicopter



**May 28, 1937**

Birth of American politician John F. Kennedy, who would become president of the United States.



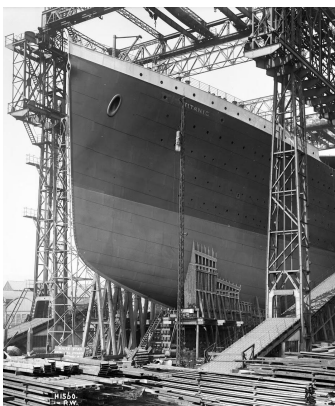
**May 29, 1953**

Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay become the first to reach the summit of Mount Everest



**May 30, 1431**

Joan of Arc is burned at the stake in Rouen, France, for heresy.



**May 31, 1912**

The Titanic is launched into the water at the Harland and Wolff shipyard in Belfast, Northern Ireland.



**June 1, 1792**

Foundation of the Republic of Italy.





**June 2, 1953**  
Queen Elizabeth II of England is crowned at Westminster Abbey.



**June 3, 1965**  
American astronaut Edward H. White II performs the first American spacewalk during the Gemini 4 mission.



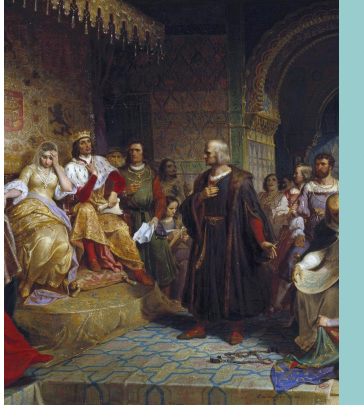
**June 4, 1896**  
Henry Ford makes his first successful motor vehicle, the "Quadricycle", which becomes Ford's first automobile.



**June 5, 1989**  
The UN begins the withdrawal of Soviet forces from Afghanistan, ending a nearly decade-long occupation.



**June 6, 1944**  
Normandy landings, popularly known as D-Day, in World War II.



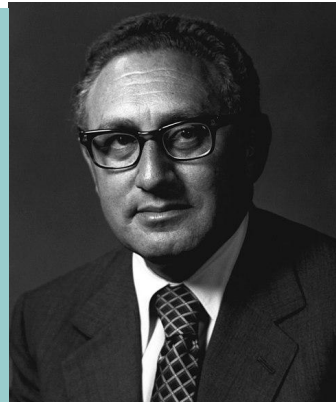
**June 7, 1494**  
Spain and Portugal sign the Treaty of Tordesillas,



# THIS DAY IN HISTORY



**June 8, 1967**  
The Six-Day War begins in the Middle East



**June 9, 1973** – American Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Le Duc Tho of North Vietnam reach a peace agreement in Paris, ending direct US involvement in the Vietnam War.



**June 10, 1999**  
Kosovo War ends. Slobodan Milošević, then President of Serbia, agreed to withdraw his troops from the disputed territory following a massive NATO bombing campaign.



**11 June, 1776**  
The Committee of Five is appointed by the Second Continental Congress to draft the Declaration of Independence of the United States



**June 12, 1963**  
South African leader Nelson Mandela is sentenced to life in prison



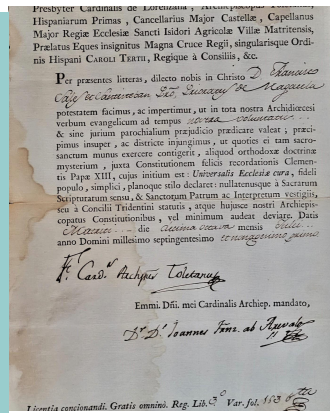
**June 13, 323 BCE**  
The king of Macedonia, Alexander the Great, died in Babylon.



# THIS DAY IN HISTORY



**June 14, 1777**  
The Continental Congress adopts the flag of the United States.



**June 15, 1215**  
Signing of the Magna Carta in England, a document that limits the powers of the king and establishes certain rights for subjects.



**June 16, 1884**  
The first steam train arrives in Arica, Chile, marking the completion of the railway from Arica to La Paz.



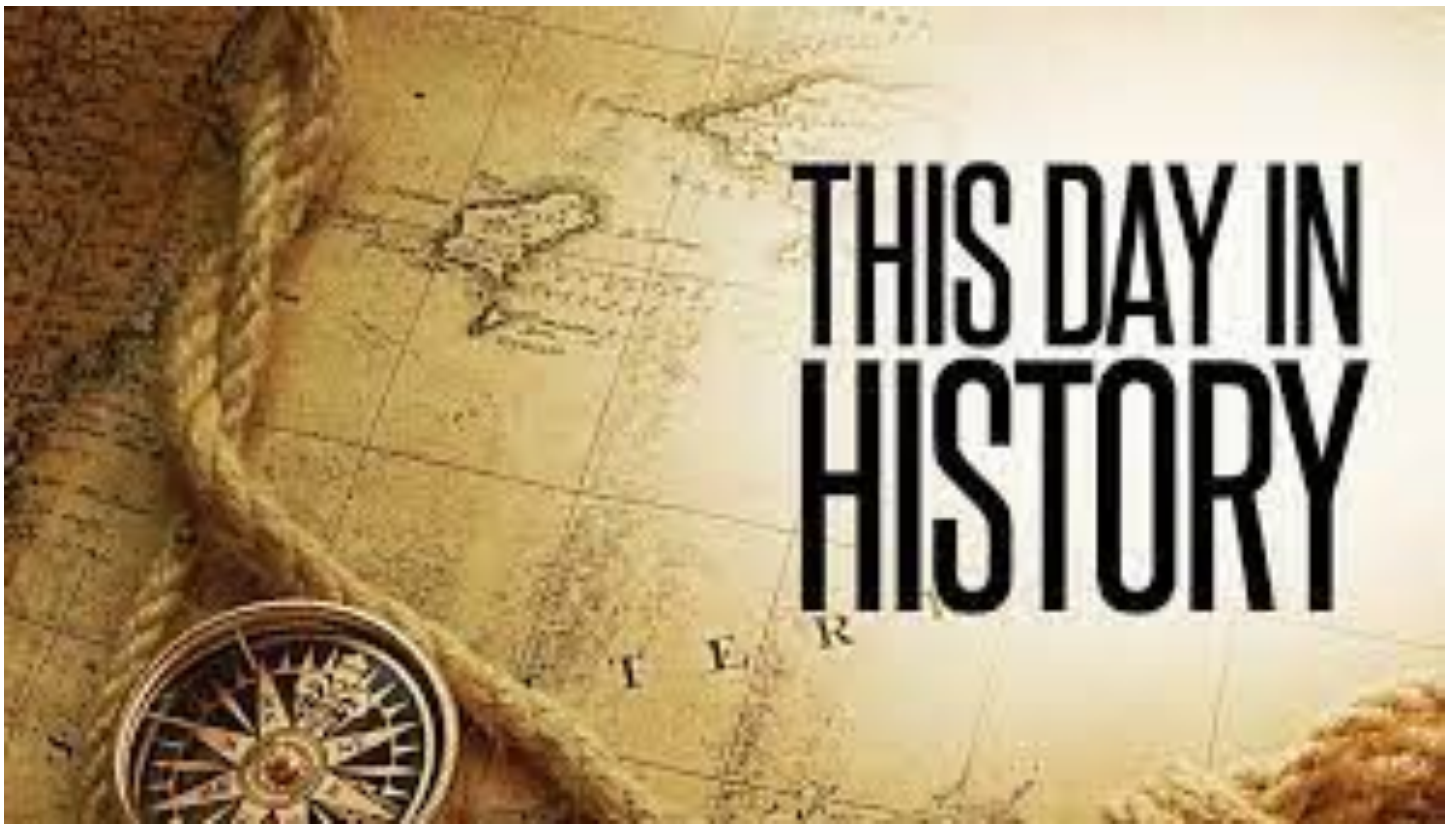
**June 17, 1775**  
Battle of Bunker Hill during the American Revolutionary War.



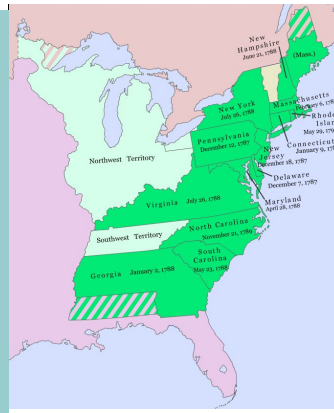
**June 18, 1815**  
Battle of Waterloo, in which Napoleon is definitely defeated by British and Prussian forces.



**June 19, 1865**  
Slaves in Texas are informed of their freedom, marking the beginning of Juneteenth, which commemorates the abolition of slavery in the United States.



**June 20, 1782**  
The Great Seal of the United States is officially adopted by Congress.



**June 21, 1788**  
New Hampshire becomes the ninth state to ratify the United States Constitution, bringing it into effect.



**June 22, 1941**  
Nazi Germany invades the Soviet Union, marking the beginning of Operation Barbarossa during World War II.



**June 23, 2016**  
The United Kingdom votes to leave the European Union in a historic referendum known as Brexit.



**June 24, 1948**  
The Soviet Union's Blockade of Berlin begins, which would last until 1949



**June 25, 1950**  
The start of the Korean War when North Korea invades South Korea.



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# A Triumph in English Proficiency

by Mr. Fabrizio Costa

I sat down with Ricardo Riesco Larraín, a determined 12th grader who recently tackled the daunting Cambridge C1 Advanced Exam (CAE). Ricardo shared his journey of preparing for and passing this significant English language proficiency test.

When asked about his achievement in passing the CAE exam, Ricardo humbly shared "Yeah, the exam was pretty tough, but I had amazing support from my teachers, especially Mr. Pablo Leon and Mr. Rodrigo Cuevas. They really helped me understand the material and gave me confidence."

The CAE exam comprises four sections: speaking, writing, reading and use of English, and listening. Ricardo admitted that the speaking section posed the greatest challenge. "For me, the most challenging part was the speaking section because you have to think on your feet and express yourself clearly."



When queried about the significance of achieving a C1 Certification, Ricardo emphasized its wide-ranging benefits. "Getting a B2 or C1 certification opens up so many opportunities. You might not need to take English classes in college here in Chile, and if you want to study abroad, you might not have to take an English test. Plus, it really improves your English skills and makes you more competitive in the job market."

Offering advice to younger students, Ricardo emphasized the importance of diligence, preparation, and self-belief. "My advice is to study hard and understand the structure of the exam. Practice speaking and writing in English, and don't be afraid to ask for help from your teachers—they're here to support you. And most importantly, believe in yourself and your abilities. If I could pass the exam, I'm sure you can too!"

Ricardo's journey to conquering the CAE exam is not just a testament to his dedication but also a reminder of the importance of perseverance and support. As students like Ricardo continue to excel, they inspire others to reach for their own goals and dreams.

# SPORTS AT TABANCURA

## RESULTS (April 8-14)

### TRACK AND FIELD

Championship: Rolf Hoppe

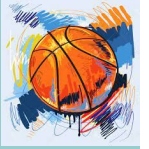


Best results were as follows:

- Vittorio Gorziglia: 1st place (high jump)
- 8x50 Relay: 2nd place
- Nicolas Hurtado: 3rd place (60m) and 3rd place (hurdles)
- Diego Ojeda: 2nd place (javelin)   qqq
- Jose Hurtado: 3rd place (long jump)
- Joaquin Amunátegui: 1st place (javelin)
- Franco Gorziglia: 1st place (discus)
- Santiago Hurtado: 2nd place (discus)
- Agustin Leblanc: 2nd place (javelin)
- Juan Pablo Lyon: 3rd place (300m)
- Jose Kalkwasser: 1st place (pole vault)
- Franco Gorziglia: 3rd place (high jump)
- Felipe Saelzer: 3rd place (pole vault)
- Pedro Ovalle: 3rd place (pole vault)
- Jose Amunátegui: 3rd place (1500m)

### BASKETBALL -

Soprole UC



Tabancura (54) vs Verbo Divino Chicureo (47) - Intermediate

RUGBY - No championships held



### FOOTBALL - Catolica Cup



Tabancura (2) vs Cordillera (1)  
Intermediate  
Goals: Alfonso Pero and Pedro Valdes

Senior: Tabancura loses, 2 - 0

## RESULTS (April 15-21)

### BASKETBALL - Soprole UC



Infant: Tabancura vs Kent

- Wins Tabancura 63-18

Intermediate: Walk Over, Tabancura wins

Senior: Walk Over, Tabancura wins

TRACK AND FIELD : No championships held



RUGBY: No championship held



### FOOTBALL - Catolica Cup



Tabancura (0) vs San Ignacio (1)  
Intermediate

Senior: 4-1 Tabancura wins  
Goals: Gonzalo Silva (2), Pablo Mella, Francisco Ruiz



# SPORTS AT TABANCURA

## RESULTS (April 22-28)

### TRACK AND FIELD: Vitacura Cup



#### Best results:

- Manuel Eyzaguirre: 2nd place (80m)
- Alfredo Riesco: 2nd place (discus)
- Alfredo Riesco: 1st place (high jump)
- 5x80 relay: 1st place
- Juan José García: 1st place (100m)
- Tomas Arenas: 2nd place (100)
- Borja Pisano: 1st place (800)
- Jose Kaltwasser: 1st place (high jump)
- Jose Tomas Bravo: 1st place
- Fernando Eyzaguirre 1st place salto triple
- Hernan Muñoz 1st place (100)
- Domingo Sanchez 1st place (800)
- 4x100 relay: 1st place

### FOOTBALL - Catolica Cup



Tabancura vs Inglés de Rancagua

Intermediate: 3-2 Tabancura wins

Goals:

- Gaspar Johnson (2)
- Leon Eguiguren

Senior: 2-2

Goals:

- Gonzalo Silva
- Pablo Mella

### RUGBY: Tabancura vs Greenland

- Tabancura wins 38-0



## RESULTS (April 29 -May 5)

### TRACK AND FIELD: No championship held



### RUGBY: Tabancura vs Newland

- Tabancura wins 45-0



### FOOTBALL: No championship held



### BASKETBALL - Soprole UC



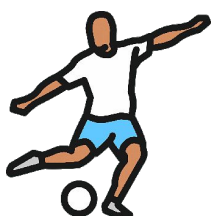
Intermediate: Santa Cruz de Chicureo vs Tabancura

- Tabancura wins 42-47

Senior: Santa Cruz de Chicureo vs Tabancura

- Tabancura wins 36-39

### BASKETBALL: No championship held



# SPORTS AT TABANCURA

## RESULTS (May 6-12)

TRACK AND FIELD: No championship held



FOOTBALL: No championship held



RUGBY: Tabancura vs San José de Chicureo  
- San José de Chicureo wins 14-12



BASKETBALL: No championship held



## RESULTS (May 13-19)

RUGBY: Tabancura vs Newland  
- Tabancura wins 14-12



BASKETBALL: No championship held



FOOTBALL: No championship held



TRACK AND FIELD: Great Interschool Championship





# SPORTS AT TABANCURA



## RESULTS "Interschool" (May 6-12)

Intermediate Best Results (first place in the category).

100 meters - Final Series

- 1st place: Juan José García (11.32)

800 meters - Final Series

- 2nd place: Borja Pisano (2:04.17)

110 meters hurdles - Final Series

- 3rd place: Alejandro Eyzaguirre Ugarte (15.02)

High Jump

- 3rd place: Vittorio Gorziglia (1.80)

Pole Vault

- 1st place: José Tomás Bravo (4.10)
- 3rd place: José Kaltwasser (3.80)

Shot Put

- 1st place: Vittorio Gorziglia (15.41)

Javelin Throw

- 2nd place: Joaquín Amunátegui (47.09)

Discus Throw

- 1st place: Vittorio Gorziglia (49.80)

4x100 Relay

- 1st place: Tabancura, Vitacura (44.26)

5x300 Relay

- 2nd place: Tabancura, Vitacura (3:08.21)

Best Infant Results

4x200 Relay

- 3rd place: Tabancura, V (1:42.93)

Best Preparatory Results

High Jump

- 2nd place: Germán Bra (1.35)

Best Superior Results

3000 meters - Final Series

- 3rd place: Santiago Am (9:32.54)

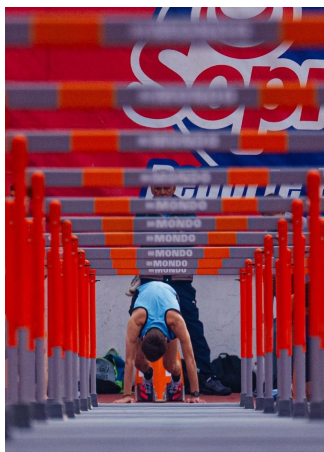
Discus Throw

- 1st place: Franco Gorzi (43.72)

4x100 Relay

- 2nd place: Tabancura, V (42.67)

Congratulations to all the athletes who represented the school in this very important championship.





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## Former Student Returns as Priest: A Journey of Faith and Service.

by Juan Pablo Olivos & Mr. Rodrigo Cuevas

In a very short yet profound interview, Father Juan Ignacio Izquierdo, now 31 years old, remembers about his days at Tabancura and shared insights into his vocation as a priest.

Reflecting on his student days, Father Izquierdo fondly expressed gratitude for the guidance of numerous teachers, notably Roberto Pérez, Germán Reyes, and Francisco Javier Viollo, who nurtured his passion for rhetoric and language.

When asked about his hobbies, Father Izquierdo confessed, "My most important hobby is reading novels and stories," illustrating his enduring love for literature. Recalling his spiritual awakening, he shared, "The first call that I heard was when I was here in school. Um, I remember that I realized that God was calling me to something bigger."

In the middle of his pastoral duties, Father Izquierdo finds happiness in witnessing the joy on every face at Tabancura. "What I like the most, it is to watch the smiles on every face that I see," he remarked. When asked about the challenges of his vocation, he emphasized the importance of celebrating mass with devotion.

Describing a typical day, Father Izquierdo revealed, "A typical day would start by praying half an hour. And then coming to school to teach and also learn, celebrate mass, give confessions, and be aware to listen to others," illustrating the multifaceted nature of his calling.

For those considering a religious vocation, Father Izquierdo offered humble advice, saying, "Hearing God, especially the Holy Spirit, is very important to start a friendship with him."

Father Izquierdo's journey from student to priest exemplifies the transformative power of faith and service, inspiring both current and future generations at Tabancura.

# NATURE IN OUR SCHOOL



by Tomás Merino & Felipe Smith

Our school's collection of plants keeps growing each year, adding more variety to our surroundings. Nature is vital for providing us with a healthy space for learning and socializing. Here, we have a mix of trees and plants, along with an ecological path that lets us connect with the environment.



## Chilean Palm

The Chilean palm is endemic to continental Chile and one of the southernmost palms in the world. A plant within our school that represents our national traditions.



## Dietes Grandiflora

In our green spaces we can see this beautiful flower that unfortunately lasts a short time but blooms continuously. It comes from South Africa and can reach up to a meter in height.



## Aeonium Canadiense

In our greenhouse we can find different types of succulents such as the Canadian aeonium



## Cat Tail

is a species of phanerogamous plant that is native to scrub habitats in East Africa, and tropical Africa, the Middle East and Southeast Asia. It has been introduced in many parts of the world as an ornamental plant.



## Pewen

It is a tree species belonging to the coniferous genus Araucaria of the Araucariaceae family. Its originally from Chile.



## Cipres

It is an evergreen tree species of the Cupressaceae family. It can be very long-lived, with specimens more than 1000 years old. Its originally from Chipre

# Ecological Path

In our greenhouse, you can see many different kinds of plants like succulents, cactuses, and more. Each type of plant is unique and they all live together in one place. The greenhouse helps them grow well because it keeps the environment just right for them. You can learn a lot about these plants by looking at the signs that tell you interesting things about each one. It's really fun to see all the different shapes and sizes they come in!



In the wetland, there is a pond that has plants like water lilies, reeds, and horsetail. You can also see fish such as goldfish swimming around. It's a really interesting place to learn about different water plants and fish! We often go there during science class to observe how these plants and animals live together. It's amazing to see how everything in the wetland depends on each other to thrive.



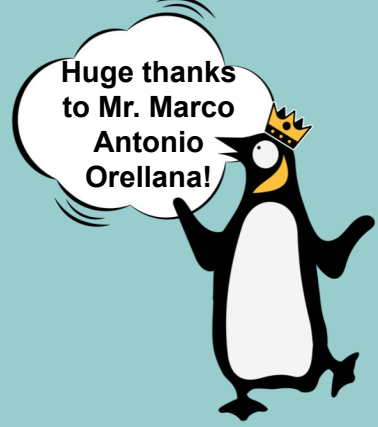
In the aviary, we have about 55 birds, including peacocks, Swinhoe's pheasants, other types of pheasants, ducks, and many more. It's really colorful and interesting to see all the different kinds of birds living together! You can hear them chirping and calling, which sounds very beautiful. We learn a lot about each species during our visits, like where they come from and what they eat.



# DID YOU KNOW?



by José Moreno



Huge thanks to Mr. Marco Antonio Orellana!

Did you know back in 2011, Tabancura had a boxing ring in the basketball court so that volunteers could fight on school day? Sadly, this idea only lasted for one year because of self explanatory reasons. Thankfully there's videos of some fights, so that we remember what the school used to be.

Did you know in 2018, Tabancura choir went on a Central Europe tour, singing in churches, and theaters? They even released a CD of all the songs they performed overseas.

Did you know that Mario Ulloa was the football coach with Hernán Cavero back in the 90s?

Did you know that famous bands and singers performed in our school? In 2001, Eduardo Gatti and Beatlemanía. In 2002 the band Illapu visited the school and a year later, Kike Neira.



Did you know that in the national rugby team that played the world cup last year, there was an Tabancura Alumni? That was Augusto Bohme, he even scored a try that was later overturned because of a bad pass.

Did you know back in the 80s, students had permission to smoke in a specific place at school during recess? Teachers could even smoke in the classroom.

Did you know that outside the school, there used to be two carts selling candy to students over the fence. "La Colora" and "El Guatón de los Berlines" were really famous people among the community

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