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Dear School Community,

We're delighted to bring you the newest news, accomplishments, and imaginative work created by our students and staff.

This edition features standout moments from our Journalism & Content Creation students, whose talents continue to develop as they actively contribute to school life. Their dedication and originality motivate us, and we're confident you'll enjoy exploring the results of their efforts.

Thank you for joining us as we work to build an engaged, dynamic, and well-informed school community. Be sure to look out for future updates and stories that bring us closer together!

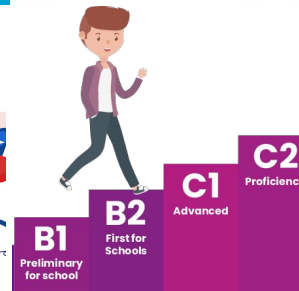
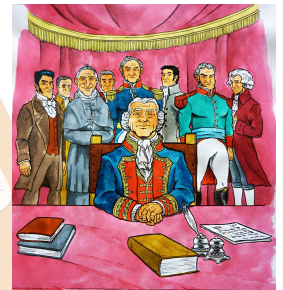
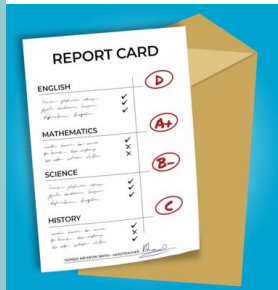
Warm regards,

Fabrizio Costa & Rodrigo Cuevas

Editors-in-Chief

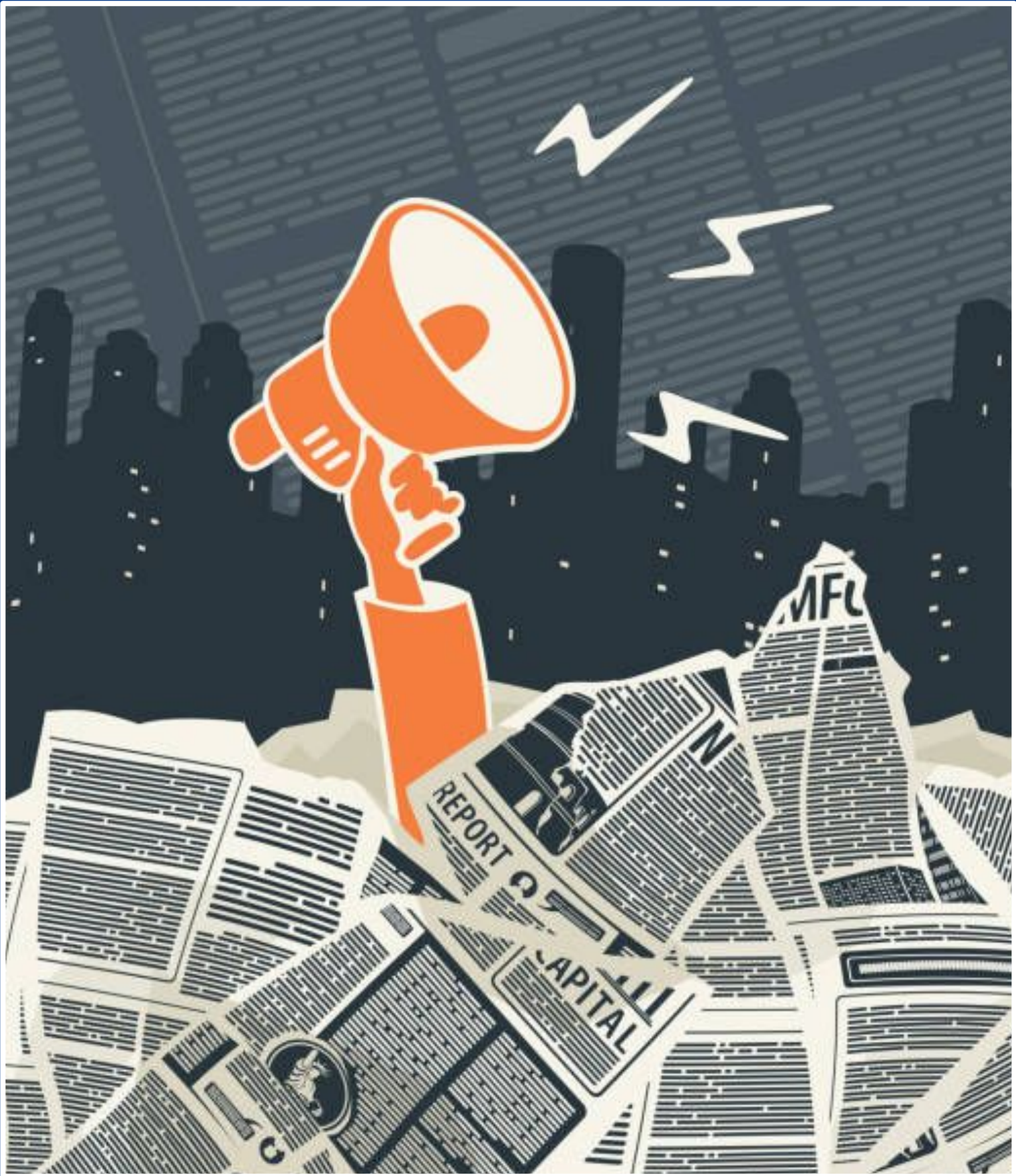
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- Report Card 5 (October 25)
- Reformation Day (October 31)
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- Culture Week (November 10-14)
- School Plays (November 12 & 13)
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LET'S GO PENGUINS!

TABANCURA NEWS



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First Years School Day Activities

By Tomás Ossa and Eduardo Errázuriz

Recently we had the school day, where this year we got 55 years old since its foundation in 1970. For this special occasion we celebrate in Fantasilandia, but usually we do some activities in the school that now are a part of us, like: Rambo, the school post, Sumo, Soap Soccer, Tarzan, Air Bubbles, and so many other activities. But how were school days 55 years ago?

Well, School days were very different from what we know now. First of all it was a field in the middle of nowhere, and it didn't have some of the walls that demarcated the school. So with that in mind we can believe that things were very different. First of all one of the most famous activities was the school race thru river Mapocho. The students sat in a tire chamber and navigate through the Mapocho river, the first one to get down wins. Another activity was a race to the ruins that are on Alvarado hill, also a tennis tournament because the school used to have a tennis court. As you can see there were different activities, but some of them are more famous and you probably know them and you have done it, but they were different, for example Rambo, was way more extreme, for example there were parts where you had to swim in the middle of pig faces, animal organs, rotten fruit.

There was also an activity called “la yegua” that consisted of two student seats in a graced trunk in height, and with a stick you traded to knock the opponent off the graced trunk. As you can see there were a lot of activities that today are unthinkable. And the worst of all are for the ones who didn't participate. The big students built a hole and put all of the students that didn't want to participate in the activities, and they were trapped for the whole day. These students received spits and a very disgusting time. Finally, at the end of the school day, the twelve grader make a barbecue with the teachers.

R. Jovel

It has been well organized, especially Rambo, which I liked the most. Climbing up really left my arms completely exhausted. I also think the raft race was really good.



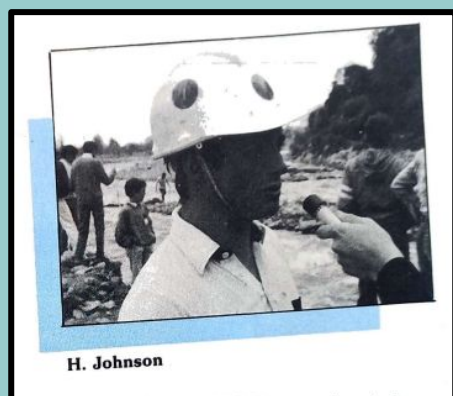
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Hernán Johnson, 3rd B, winner of the regatta

I found the School Day very good; I thank the seniors for all this, which was very well organized, especially all the physical games, and the regatta was also very good.



Mauricio Soto, 4th B, Administrator and Organizer of School Day

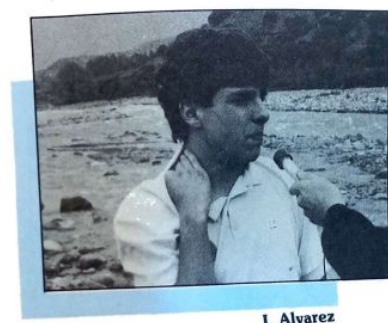
School Day is an activity that Tabancura sooner or later had to have. Tabancura has always had a great school spirit, as has been shown for many years; and School Day itself is another activity where everyone can show how united we are. Maybe we were inexperienced and could have made some mistakes, but I think it is a great example of organization: it was hard, and we seniors worked together to carry it out.

I hope it lasts for the rest of the school's life; and that it becomes another tradition of this school.



Ignacio Alvarez, 3rd A

I find that this initiative taken by the Administration, supported by the Student Council, and carried out by the seniors, has been entirely positive. It turned out fantastically well. Fortunately, all activities were designed for all students. And that has made it possible for everyone to participate much more actively.





By Jorge Prieto and Pedro Vergara

This October, Tabancura School will host an exciting Chess Tournament in its auditorium, bringing together students from different grades and schools. The main goal of this event is to promote the practice of chess among young people and highlight its benefits as both a mental and healthy sport.

The tournament will take place on different dates according to each group:

- October 13: 1° to 2° at 10:20 a.m.
- October 16: 3° to 4° at 10:20 a.m.
- October 20: 5° to 8° at 10:20 a.m.
- October 13: I° to IV° at 2:00 p.m.

The event will be held in Tabancura's Auditorium and will gather participants from several schools, including Cordillera, Huelen, Los Alerces, Los Andes, and Huinganal.

The tournament aims to increase students' interest in chess within the SEDUC community. Chess is more than a game—it develops concentration, patience, problem-solving, and logical thinking, all of which are valuable skills for academic and personal growth. Although it is not commonly practiced by many young people, this initiative seeks to change that by showing how engaging and rewarding chess can be.

The tournament is organized under the supervision of Mr. Rodrigo Valenzuela, who expressed his motivation for this project:

“My vision for this great chess tournament is to exercise intellect and problem-solving, which I consider important and essential tools for the future life of our students.”

The tournament will have a competitive format designed to encourage participation and sportsmanship.

Students will not only have the chance to test their strategic skills but also compete for attractive prizes, including medals and a championship cup for the overall winners.

The Chess Tournament at Tabancura promises to be more than just a competition—it is an opportunity to celebrate intelligence, strategy, and friendly rivalry. Students are invited to take part in this event, learn from one another, and enjoy the many benefits of this timeless game.

So, what are you waiting for? Make your move and join the challenge!





The Kilo Campaign at Tabancura

By **Martín Benítez** and **Juan Diego Ugarte**

We asked the people in charge of working for the kilo campaign, and here is what they told us. But first, some context; the kilo is a campaign that the students at Colegio Tabancura do where they bring non perishable foods, like rice, lentils, canned peaches, canned tuna, etc.

They bring the food and leave it in their classrooms, where during Reading/Mass time the people in charge pick it up, so that they can then take it to a charity, and they feed people in need.

Clemente Forni told us that he loves working for the kilo campaign, that it's really fulfilling because he is helping people, but it's really a sacrifice, because he loves reading, and the days that he has to work he can't do it.

Santiago Jovel told us that he loves the campaign, and loves watching how his entire school comes together to help the people that need it the most, but he also makes a sacrifice, because he loves going to mass, and like Forni, he can't do that when he's working, but that's ok because when he works for "el kilo" he is following the teachings of Christ, helping other people. He also told us that it can get challenging physically because of the weight of all the food.





By Sebastián Fuenzalida and Santiago Ariztía

As we well know, every Wednesday at our school, the first and second years have the “Miradas Compartidas” activity. This consists of sharing and playing with children and adults with Down syndrome. This activity has been very positive, as the students have a lot of fun and spend a pleasant time with them, generating a feeling of joy in them. Here we can see the great impact it has had, as we see how the students are becoming more and more motivated by this project and it is inspiring them to do more things similar to what they are doing with this great activity at school.

You can also see the joy of the children with Down syndrome doing this activity, showing their great affection for school and the great time they pass in our school, laughing, sharing, playing and above all learning with us.

However, we're here to talk about our own classmates with Down syndrome. We've noticed that many of us don't know these children, so we decided to introduce them to everyone so you can get to know them and learn more about them.

Mauricio Johnson

He is the oldest in the school, he is on II° B, also he likes a lot to laugh with his classmates and teachers, also he is very good at teasing you in a good way, always trying to get a laugh out of you. Here Mauri left us a few words about his great experience at school:

“For me, school is the best. Every time I come, I have a great time and laugh a lot with my classmates and teachers. I love working with my teacher, Miss Sandra, who makes my friends and me work hard. She also helps us play with her. I really enjoy playing, and it's often my favorite time of day.

Plus, my brother, who's my best friend, comes to this school, so I get to play and spend time with him and his friends. So, for me, coming here is the best thing, and I hope I can always stay and continue having a good time”





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Juan Peña

He is at 7° B. He is a very funny person who always wants to laugh with you. This year, we've seen a huge positive change in Juan. He's been much more involved in class and in his course activities, enjoying himself and laughing. He's also much more outgoing than he was, and he's cultivated his friendships with his classmates and teachers. We believe all these changes have been thanks to his excellent tutor, Maria Antonieta, who has provided Juan with tremendous help, and we are very grateful to her.

Matías Valenzuela

He's at 5° A, he is a very funny guy, who likes to play a pass and have a great time with his classmates. Also he likes to learn a lot so he put a lot of effort in classes in his course and with his tutor.

Agustín Hoyl

He is at 4° B. By far he is one of the happiest and funniest people in the school, he always has a very good attitude and willingness to work and play, always accompanied by his big smile.

Finally, we would like to thank Miss Sandra for her excellent work with them. She has been their excellent tutor for all their years at school, always with her excellent disposition at work and always trying to have a good time with them. Here we have some words from Miss Sandra:

“The truth is that I started working with children with more academic or social problems, but little by little I got more involved in the subject of Down Syndrome, and I think it has been one of the best decisions I have ever made.

I love the work I have done over the last 15 years with these children and I really enjoy being with them and I love seeing them improve and laugh while they are at school. That's why I am very grateful to the school and the great opportunity they gave me to meet these great people”



11TH GRADERS CONFIRMATION

By

Santiago

Cruz

On Friday 27th of September, students for 11th grade make his confirmation at Maria Mother Of Misericordia church. The ceremonial was made by Mgr Alberto Lorenzelli, in companion with priest Juan Esteban Ureta and our school priest Nicolás Garcés. The acolytes were brothers of the people who receive the sacrament and students of the school, specially from 9th grade. It was a very beautiful instance, where families from the students attend to make company and be in this important moment of their lives.

Confirmation is a sacrament that makes a person's faith stronger and completes Baptism. In it, you receive the Holy Spirit to help you live as a good Christian. It shows your personal promise to God and the Church.

In baptism, one becomes a child of God and original sin is erased, but it is rather unconscious, because it is the parents who decide to baptize you or not. Confirmation completes baptism, since at the age of adolescence, young people are already aware of themselves, and they are now the ones who decide if they want to continue freely with God and the Church.

The students have a previous preparation to receive this important sacrament. The preparation began with general sessions attended by the students who were to be confirmed, along with their parents and godparents. During the oratory hours, the gifts of the Holy Spirit, Mass, and confession were also reviewed. Finally, there was a voluntary retreat in Puange and a spiritual journey at an Opus Dei center located on the street of Dunkerque.

Talking a little more about the ceremony itself, it started at 9:30 am and ended at 11:15 am approx. Many teachers and members of the board of directors assist the mass, in order to see and accompany their students in this important moment in their christian life. The mass was very beautiful: the church was well adorned, the choir of the school did it very well and the atmosphere was of respect and happiness.

Mrg Alberto Lorenzelli, auxiliary bishop of Santiago, speaks very well to do students in the homily. He invited those confirmed to be believers, to be consistent and to be witnesses. To love God, be friend of him and the importance of being light for others, bringing them closer to God.

After this beautiful confirmation, most of the students went to celebrate this special day. They had lunch with the people they love, and with those who accompanied them in the ceremony. It's a good thing to celebrate, since you have received the grace of the Holy Spirit and freely and voluntarily accepted God's presence in your lives. We must celebrate that you are beloved children of God.





LXLV

By **Santiago Smith** and **Pedro Morello**

On Monday, September 22, the LXLV ended, letting us know which teams went to the different cups; Gold, Silver and Bronze

Of the 20 teams, they were divided into 2 groups of 10, of which the last 2 will be eliminated, the 7th and 8th go to the Bronze Cup. The 6th and 5th go to the Silver Cup, while the first 4 of each group go to the quarterfinals to determine a champion.

The outstanding match of the last date was between Dupontorino-Lucios FC, the match ended 4-6, the match was 1-4 for Lucios FC, but in the blink of an eye Dupontorino tied it 4-4. In the end Lucios FC created many scoring chances, managing to win by 2 goals difference. We have managed to speak with Sebastian Fuenzalida, a Lucios FC player.

Sebastian, tell us about the match, how it was and how it developed

“Well, it was a very difficult match, as it was against a very good team of 12th grade, but we managed to score our opportunities and although they managed to tie the game we were very solid on defense, which helped the attack to have more clear chances. Now that the group phase is over, we look ahead to the bronze cup in which we will have to face another team of the 12th grade, but with this win we arrived more calmly and knowing we can get another victory and advance to the final.



GRUPO 1		
ORO	DF	PTS
FLOMINESNE	32	24
FIMO FC	32	19
OLAZNOG	16	18
FRETERBACHE	0	18
PLATA		
CHINOOK	4	16
SOBACO FC	11	15
BRONCE		
BUROTTOT	8	14
TULARROS	33	6
ELIMINADOS		
ESPERMATOSOCER		
PISAGUA CLUB		

GRUPO 2		
ORO	DF	PTS
SAN CLAUDIO	33	21
CHECHINETA	30	19
REDBULL TELETÓN	0	18
BECHAMEL	4	15
PLATA		
JOGO FEITO	5	14
DUPONTORINO	0	12
BRONCE		
GUANTAN	1	12
LUCIO'S FC	3	11
ELIMINADOS		
DE FOKERS		
CHAPETOS FC		



THE LATEST ON THE SCIENCE FAIR

By **Tomás Rojas** and **Jorge Álvarez**

The Tabancura Science Fair will be held on Tuesday, November 18th. The event, which seeks to promote scientific knowledge and curiosity, is very well expected among our school community. That is why the Tabancura's Science Department has put a lot of effort into designing this year's Fair. On this note, we will tell you about all the new and exciting things we know so far about the Fair.

By now, everybody knows that the Enrolling process finishes this Friday, October 24th. The enrollment results will be published on Friday, October 31st. On that day, everybody will know if their project got accepted or not. 80 projects will be accepted: they can be from our school, or from other participating schools. The Fair will last until 1:30 PM.

Fair Day will be full of competitions and presentations. Cameras could be going by stands to record all the great projects that will participate. Live contests will take place during the day: there will be trivias about science in general.

The contests that will take place have been very well thought out, and have proved successful, as seen in past years. Last year, for example, there were Rubik's cube competitions and a Bird Identification Contest, where a student from the eighth grade won. In the words of their own Science Department: "...he knew all birds...that's really incredible".

A lot of invited schools can come to see or present their projects. At the moment, the Cordillera school, Los Andes, Los Alerces, the Liceo Bicentenario Teresa Prats and the La Maisonette schools have confirmed their participation.

Probably, the Saint George School and the Andree English School will participate. The Huelen School have yet to confirm their participation.



THE LATEST ON THE SCIENCE FAIR

By **Tomás Rojas** and **Jorge Álvarez**

The most important part of the Fair will probably be talks that will be given by some of the country's most important universities. The ones we know so far are:

- “The Rational Use Of Medications” - Universidad del Desarrollo (Christian Vicencio) - Chemistry Lab - 30 people MAX
- “Aeroponics and Hydroponics” - Universidad de Chile (Faculty of Agricultural Science) - Biology Lab - 30 people MAX
- “How to use data to make decisions” - Universidad de Chile (Josué Salinas) - School's Library - 30 people MAX
- “Gravitational Waves” - Yale University (Andrés Escala - Astrophysicist) - School's Auditorium - 120 people MAX

The first three will happen during Mass/Reading hour (9:45 am). The last one will start at 11:15 am. More expositions about the Great Extinctions and kinesiology. To sign up for these expositions, there will be a Forms link published soon.

An evaluator committee will award the most outstanding projects by category and age. As an example, last year, 12 awards were given. Some groups have signed up to do an interactive work dynamic with our First Cycle students.

All in all, the Science Fair will be great. The Fair will not only take place on the Espacio Tabancura, but will happen at classrooms, the auditorium, labs and the library.

Please take note that all School's classes will have specific timing to visit the Fair.

During recess, the Espacio Tabancura will close momentarily to let the expositors have their break. The Science Department invites everyone to visit the Fair and participate in it!





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ORANGE NIGHT

By **Santiago Cruz** and **Jorge Prieto**

Last wednesday 15th of october, in the courtyard of the Virgin, we lived the orange night. This activity was organized by the CAT, CDA and the spirit leaders of both schools, Tabancura and Los Andes. This event was for students of 5th grade to 12th grade, and was supervised by a group of parents and teacher volunteers. Many students participated in this Night, specially from 7th to 11th grade. The tickets were not very expensive, \$5.000 each one.

It started at 7pm and ended at 9:30 pm. There were many activities that promoted school spirit and supported athletes. Some of the main activities were: contests with good prices, alliance chants, an invitation of a famous artist, Nachiski, and finally it ended with the traditional Machitun.

To feed everyone who was shouting and getting ready for the interschool events, the organizers brought in a hot-dog cart, included in the ticket, and another one for fries, but you have to pay it apart. The people in charge of the hot-dog cart were former students from our school, which made the event feel very familiar and set an environment that everyone knew well.

Talking about entertainment, Nachosky, an urban singer, came to liven up the event. He sang especially well known songs, cumbias and regueton, and also he created a special rap for Tabancura and Los Andes. As well as many students of our school he loves to play football, the reason why he played a little match with some of the assistants.

Continuing our traditional legacy, we finished the event with the classic Machitun.

It consists of a group of people running and shouting around a person who carries a bass drum. We sing the school songs destined to encourage the athletes.

This activity, which wasn't made from 2018, prepares the students for the interschool. The organizers encourage and invite the students to support their teammates in this important competition, and it helps strengthen the school team spirit.



AfUTCOP

By **Pedro Morello** and **Santiago Smith**

The High School football team, Intermedia and Superior are reaching the final stage of the Afutcop group stage, the table in the Intermediate category is composed of Tabancura first, followed by San Francisco de Asis School and in the Superior Category they are located in third position, in a very tight table.

During these last dates the 2 categories have been playing very close matches. The Intermediate and Superior category played against the Everest School, the Intermediate category tied 2-2 with a controversial referee, while the Superior Category won 3-1 playing some incredible football. .

The 2 categories have 3 games left to finish their participation in the group stage, the following matches for each category are:

Saint George

Saint Benito

San Isidro (The last match of the group stage)

By now both categories are qualifying to the next stage which are the semifinals in which they will look to advance to the final like the last year, were both categories advanced to the final and the Superior proclaimed champions as the Intermedia couldn't get the title, the final phase of the championship takes place at the end of November and this year it will collide which is the with the octogonal championship in were the coalition of the teams of 9th, 10th and 11th grade will look to take the school to the Schools World Cup for the first time in the school history.



#	EQUIPO	JUG	GAN	EMP	PER	GF	GC	DIF	PTS
1	Colegio Tabancura	7	4	2	1	14	7	7	14
2	Colegio San Francisco de Asís	7	4	2	1	11	9	2	14
3	Colegio San Benito	7	3	3	1	18	11	7	12
4	Colegio Saint George's College	7	3	2	2	13	9	4	11
5	Colegio Cumbres	8	3	2	3	15	17	-2	11
6	Colegio Everest	7	1	6	0	16	11	5	9
7	Colegio San Ignacio El Bosque	8	2	3	3	10	11	-1	9
8	Colegio Padre Hurtado	7	2	2	3	10	16	-6	8
9	Colegio del Verbo Divino	7	2	1	4	6	10	-4	7
10	Colegio San Isidro - Buln	8	1	3	4	9	13	-4	6
11	Colegio San Anselmo	7	1	2	4	9	17	-8	5



#	EQUIPO	JUG	GAN	EMP	PER	GF	GC	DIF	PTS
1	Colegio Everest	7	5	1	1	24	11	13	16
2	Colegio Padre Hurtado	6	5	1	0	14	6	8	16
3	Colegio Tabancura	7	5	0	2	15	7	8	15
4	Colegio San Francisco de Asís	7	4	1	2	16	12	4	13
5	Colegio San Anselmo	6	4	0	2	11	8	3	12
6	Colegio Saint George's College	6	3	1	2	16	7	9	10
7	Colegio San Benito	7	3	0	4	11	19	-8	9
8	Colegio del Verbo Divino	7	2	1	4	12	13	-1	7
9	Colegio San Ignacio El Bosque	7	1	2	4	13	24	-11	5
10	Colegio San Isidro - Buln	7	0	2	5	8	24	-16	2
11	Colegio Cumbres	7	0	1	6	5	14	-9	1

TABANCURA SCHOOL LIFE





INTERVIEWING FATHER J. IGNACIO IZQUIERDO

By Clemente Forni and Pablo Saavedra

Hello, and welcome to the third edition of our Alumni Interviews. Today, we will interview Father J. Ignacio Izquierdo, one of our school's priests who just so happens to be an alumni of our school. He also wrote the book "All Roads Lead to Claudia", available at our library. And before the questions, I need to mention that he is a Law graduate, doctorate in Theology and was in the School Debate Club.

What career did you study for? What was your formation as a priest like?

I studied Law at first. I also studied theology in Rome and then got a doctorate on theology in Spain.

Did Tabancura influence your formation as a priest? How so?

Tabancura was to me a home and a place to dream. The Debate club marked me because I discovered that doing good and influencing society was possible. In that sense, what I received in school I now try to share with others.

How did you gain interest in literature? Do you have any specific recommendations?

My interest in literature rose in school. I fondly remember class with Francisco Javier Viollo, German Reyes, Daniel Poblete, among others who inspired my love for the beauty of literature. I'd recommend "The Neverending Story" by Michael Ende and "Lord of the Rings" by J.R.R. Tolkien.

How does it feel to be back in the school, first as a student, now as a priest?

I feel grateful, because as a student I was happy and now, as the chaplain, I've felt that happiness again.

What advice would you give to a student who wants to get into writing, whether professionally or as a hobby?

I'd recommend that, besides the school books, they read (for pleasure) at least one book a month. As you get to know more writers and characters, you see the frontiers of your imagination expand.

And what about the students who believe their calling may be priesthood?

First off, I'd congratulate them for admitting that concern. Secondly, I'd encourage them to pray for a while everyday so that they may advance in their friendship with Jesus Christ.



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Please don't hesitate to reach out to us with any ideas or suggestions you may have. Your input is invaluable to us, and we are always eager to hear from you.

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