

Monday Morning Messenger #5 - September 07, 2009

ICC

Inter Class Competitions (ICC's), our annual Roosevelt tradition in High School is coming in September (7 – 12). This year the Cheer competition takes place in the HS Gym at 2.00 – 3.20. All parents are welcome to watch the Cheer.

Please note that this year we have asked the students to consider bringing in any unwanted clothing in good condition, as a service component to the ICC week. Grades will receive spirit points for this. Please encourage your daughter(s) /son(s) to look through their cupboards for any clothing they no longer want. The grade with the most clothing may chose a suitable charity.

Homeroom

Following a perceived need by the faculty to improve communication and have better individual attention for each student and a survey that students took, we implemented homeroom this week in high school. Students will meet with a teacher on a 1:10 ratio for 10 minutes each morning. As it is ICC next week, the students will meet as a class every morning to discuss ICC. Actual homeroom will begin on 14 September. Once all homeroom assignments are confirmed you will be informed as to which homeroom your daughter(s)/son(s) is in.

During homeroom time, teachers will take attendance and read the daily announcements. A teacher may use homeroom to:

- Inquire about the wellbeing of the group and establish an informal atmosphere, where the small group can all get to know each other.

- Check usage of homework diaries and if they are being efficiently used.

- Talk to students about their workload, how they are managing their time, and what extra and co-curricular activities they are in.

- Discuss a world event, what is going on in Peru, a major sporting event – World Series, premier league, Alianza (soccer team!) etc.

- What does the learner profile mean to the students in their classroom and lives.

- Celebrate their diversity -- ask them to explain the significance of traditions from their country: i.e. Thanksgiving, Holy days, Prophet Mohamed, and Buddha etc.

- Celebrate their birthday

- Work together on a whole school initiative like a food drive or some community service.

- Throw out a controversial topic and get the students to talk about it

- At times, counselors and coordinators may need to meet the whole group for specific topics.

In order to find time, we have removed passing time between lessons. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to contact me on: otooher at amersol.edu.pe

1. **Earthquake Drill**
On Wednesday at noon, FDR will have the second mandatory **Earthquake Drill**.

2. **Peruvian National Congress**
Lucas G, Evelyn P, Gaetano C, Armando B and Renan O are going to the National Peruvian Congress on Saturday for the final of a competition named: Without a Vote but with a Voice' sponsored by Lima University. This will be a mock congress similar to MUN. We wish them well.

3. **The Education USA Fair**
This event is organized by the Education USA Advising Centers in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru - all affiliated with the US State Department and committed to promoting higher education in the USA.

We will have representatives from nine universities in our school next Tuesday, September 8th at 12:30 p.m. Parents and students interested in knowing more about these institutions are welcome to meet with them at the HS Eating Area.

The institutions visiting us are:

Iowa State University of Science and Technology
Lamar State University
Shawnee State University
Western Michigan University
University of Kansas
University of California, Irvine
Middle Tennessee State University
Ole Miss-University of Mississippi
Kennesaw State University

4. **Linden College Fair**
We are pleased to invite you to the Linden College Fair that will take place next Thursday, September 10th in Center Stage. Thirteen admissions officers from US colleges will give information about the application process and the programs and financial aid possibilities their institutions offer.

This is an excellent opportunity to get first hand information on the different universities visiting us.

Juniors and Seniors will participate during 1st period (10:35 a.m. 11:35) Parents are welcome!

The participants are: Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Western Michigan, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, Syracuse University, University of Minnesota, Linfield College, University of St. Thomas, University of Iowa, Tulane University, University of the Pacific, University of Missouri- Kansas City.

5. **Pepperdine University and Savannah College of Art and Design**
September 7th, representatives from Pepperdine University and Savannah College of Art and Design will be in our campus during break. Parents and students interested in knowing more about the programs they offer will have a chance of getting first hand information on these institutions. See them at the HS locker area!

6. **Swearing!**
As we are an EC3-12 school, many younger students pass through the high school on their way to activities. Can you encourage your daughter(s)/son(s) not to swear, as it is inappropriate, especially for younger ears. Let's aim for a swear free campus.

7. **MONDAY MESSENGER ONLINE**
Please be sure to read the Monday Messenger Online, Colegio Roosevelt's weekly bilingual community e-bulletin which provides School, Parents' Association, and community announcements, upcoming events, and special activities. It is published online each weekend, thus helping the Roosevelt community plan their week in advance. You should receive an e-mail each week from "messenger@amersol.edu.pe" with a link to access the latest edition of the Monday Messenger Online (English and

Spanish) and links to bulletins from each school division. You may also access the Monday Messenger from our home page or bookmark this link <http://www.amersol.edu.pe/fdr/news/messenger/index.asp>

I hope you can make it to ICC week.