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MONTHLY WAVE

March 2016 Edition

Accolades and Acceptances!

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It's that time of year again when the college acceptances begin to roll in! We have had university acceptances from around the globe, including the UK, Canada and the US, begin to trickle in, but the majority of decisions are made in the month of March.

So, keep your eyes open for more good news for the class of 2016!

Here's the list so far:

- University of British Columbia (4)
- San Diego State University
- Indiana University
- Cornell University
- St. Andrews University, UK
- Depaul University
- Purdue University
- Michigan State University (**\$9K USD in merit based scholarship awarded**)
- University of Tampa
- California State University, Humboldt
- Columbia College, Chicago
- University of Minnesota

AP Accolades!

A shout-out to BFS students past and present who earned AP Student Scholar Awards for the 2015 AP testing season.

AP Scholars

The following students earned the *AP Scholar* award which is granted to students who score a 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams.

- Michelle Jang (2016)
- Justin Kang (2016)
- Ann Lee (2016)
- Stephen Lee (2016)
- Jeongmin Park (2016)

- Spring Hwang (2015)

AP Scholars with Distinction

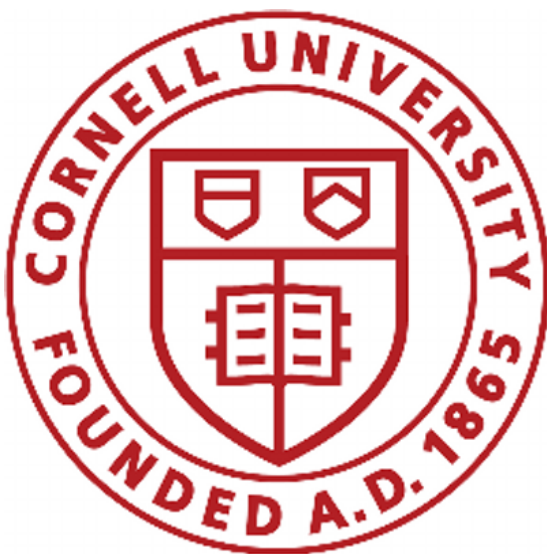
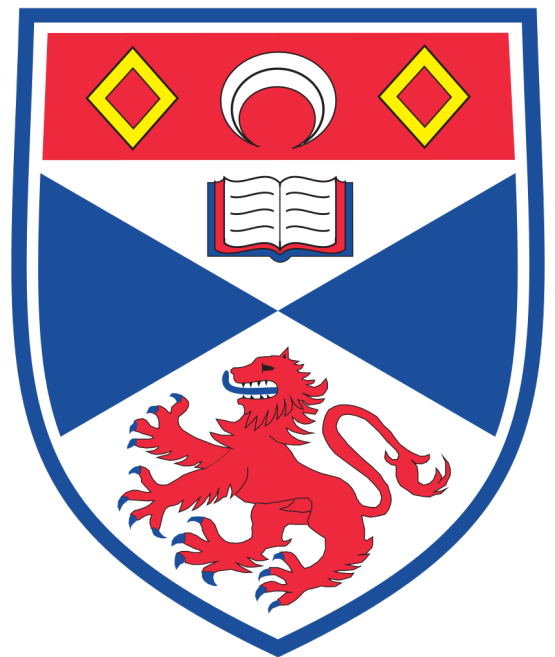
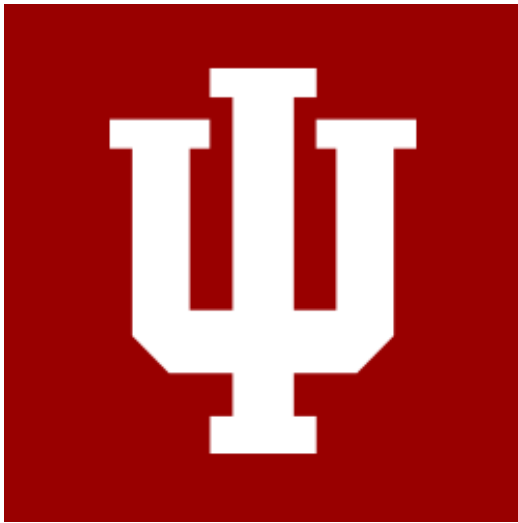
The following students earned the *AP Scholar with Distinction* award which is granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

- Rachel Bae (2016)
- Sang Heon Lee (2016)
- JJ Kang (2015)

AP International Diploma

The following student earned the highly coveted *AP International Diploma* award which is granted to students who have received scores of 3 or higher on five or more AP Exams in three or more subject areas including one world language.

- JJ Kang (2015)



SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

Save the Date

Mar 07, 2016 11:39 am

Save the date for the following important events! April 29: Orchestra Concert (5 to 7 pm) May 13: BFS Talent Show (5 to 7 pm) May 28: BFS garage Salea and Family Fun day (10:00 am to 2:00 pm)

Changes on the PTSO Team

Mar 07, 2016 09:55 am

As many of you may know, Ms. Elizabeth Poppe, who has been serving as PTSO president for the past year and half at Busan foreign School, will be returning to Texas by Spring break. It is sad to see Elizabeth and her children go. Under her leadership the BFS PTSO has grown stronger and if I had to point one of the greatest accomplishments of...

March 2016: Literacy Month at BFS

Mar 02, 2016 11:16 am

With Dr. Seuss' birthday falling on March 2 and the National Education Association (NEA) celebrating Read Across America Day on March 2, March is simply a great month to focus on literacy. And this is what BFS is doing ... During the month of March and at regular intervals we will have drop everything & read (DEAR) events, students and administrators reading aloud through the school loudspeakers, intensified reading in classes and organizing book swaps and buddy reading across all grade levels at BFS. And...

DEPARTMENT NEWS : EARLY CHILDHOOD AND ELEMENTARY

ELC and ELE Student of the Month – February 2016

Mar 07, 2016 12:43 pm

Congratulations to the February (Social ESLR) Student of the Month Winners! PK-3 Dysart Adelina Dovidovich K-4 Pauley Lea Mercado Chihiro Hishida K-5 Thorson Sandra Park Chloe Cho 1st Gawboy Rhea Maliakal Amber Sloomweg 2nd Lossiah Tristan Park 3rd Virgen Kelila Harvey Lauren Lee 4th Pynnonen John Gabriel Dapilloza Sona Park 5th Hellman Junhyuk Jang 5th Zwingelberg Danny Kim Check the following video for a collection...

What We Care About in the BFS Early Childhood

Feb 26, 2016 04:49 pm

What we care about... In the BFS Early Childhood program, we strive to demonstrate respect for families by partnering with them to exchange information about their children's learning and development and to share ideas about how to support learning at home and school. How we do this... Weekly newsletters outline curriculum highlights with skills and concepts to be covered. Our program is built around the...

Elementary ESU Winner of 2016: Elizabeth Kim (3rd grade)

Feb 23, 2016 04:04 pm

Thumbs up to Elizabeth Kim (3rd grade) who won this year's ESU Korea Public Speaking Competition for the whole Elementary! Sponsored by the British Embassy and the HSBC, this year's competition counted with over 800 participants and took place Feb 18 in Seoul. Elizabeth had to compete with over 30 students her age and

older. Another BFser featured in the Korean news! <http://koreajoongangdaily.joins.com/news/article/article.aspx?aid=3015342&cloc=joongangdaily%7Chome%7Cnewlist1> <http://news.joins.com/article/19612588>
https://www.esukorea.org/helpdesk/helpdesk_view.asp?bino=1&bdno=491

Elementary Valentine's Bingo

Feb 19, 2016 01:21 pm

It is not always that elementary children get the opportunity to play Bingo after school at BFS. This is the third year our Parent Teacher Support Organisation (PTSO) organises this event and it has not lost of charm, passion, laughs. I am still wondering how do all children manage to get not one but at least three prizes and how do their little stomachs fit in those humongous pizza...

Expansion of our Early Childhood Program

Feb 16, 2016 01:12 pm

It's with great excitement that I write to inform you about the expansion of our early childhood program. Our PreK-3 enrollment for the second semester has exceeded our capacity and therefore we have expanded our program to include another section of PreK-3 to be led by Miss Shirley Elder Harris. Not only is Miss Harris the proud mom of two great kids at BFS, but...

DEPARTMENT NEWS : MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL

MS Dance: the Glowing Masquerade

Mar 07, 2016 09:31 am

February 26th. A typical Friday. But it was not a normal day for the middle schoolers. That day after school, the 6th, 7th, and 8th graders headed to the Auditorium to enter the room with all the joy and also where the dance party, The Glowing Masquerade, took place. The room was all decorated by the MS Student Council. As the middle schoolers entered the...

Amy Jung Korean Spelling Bee Winner

Feb 25, 2016 11:55 am

And we have another winner! On February 23, Amy Jung (7th grade) won the Scripps National Spelling Bee competition in Korea. This is the second year in a row that Amy has won this competition. She will be going to Washington DC in May to represent Korea at the Scripps Spelling Bee World Championship. Well done Amy!!
http://www.newsis.com/pict_detail/view.html?pict_id=NISI20160223_0011384317

HS Student Council Organises Mafia Game during Lunch Break

Feb 24, 2016 10:51 am

The HS Student Council organized a fun and intense "Mafia" game for the high school students during lunch time on the 17th of February. "Mafia" is a game in which people are secretly assigned as mafia, detective, doctor, and townspeople. The object of the game is to eliminate the mafia before the mafia can eliminate the whole town. The game also includes a narrator, Mr...

2016 National history Bee and Bowl Competition

Feb 22, 2016 09:21 am

History Bee & Bowl had a very successful tournament in Seoul! The high school team Lily 11th grade, Ilya 9th grade and Harrison 8th grade were undefeated against 5 other varsity and junior varsity teams, taking 1st place for the junior varsity division and 2nd place amongst high school overall! Middle school team- Bini, William,

Nastya & Esther took 2nd place overall!!! Students who made it to...

SPORT NEWS

HS Soccer Season has started

Mar 07, 2016 11:53 am

The HS soccer season has started! not only do our girls practice every day but our our athletic director and coaches actively look for opportunities for them to compete in friendly games against other sac schools. This Saturday March 5, DIS came to BFS for a friendly morning of soccer fun. The HS Girls Soccer team won 3 games and lost 1. The captains were Ann...

MS Volleyball SKAC Season Results

Mar 03, 2016 04:22 pm

MS Volleyball Girls Update BFS Girls Volleyball played in their final SKAC tournament at BIFS last Thursday the 25th. The girls played a total of 15 games throughout the day against 7 teams. They did play one game like a team of Zombies, but they rallied back, regained their energy and positive attitude in order to finish with some very important wins. These girls improved...

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Celebrate the end of Winter in Style at Haeundae Beach – Great Maslenitsa

Mar 04, 2016 12:36 pm

JOIN THIS YEAR'S BIWA CHARITY BALL

Mar 03, 2016 11:34 am

Busan International's Woman Association would like to invite all BFS families to its annual Spring Charity Ball on Saturday April 23rd. The ball will take place at the Haeundae Grand Hotel, start at 6:30 and includes welcome drinks, five course dinner, silent charity auction and music entertainment. Please refer to the attached flyer for more information.

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