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BFS

MONTHLY WAVE

November 2016 Edition

A Word from the Principal

Iain Macfarlane, BFS Principal

This month of chilly mornings and rich autumnal colours is the perfect time to reflect on what has been and what will be accomplished before saying goodbye to 2016. The highlight of the year so far was definitely Founders Day. It is an honor for me to be able to work with amazing students, staff and parents during our school's 20th Anniversary. BFS has a rich tradition that we strive to meet and surpass every single day as we prepare our students to enter top universities worldwide and become responsible, contributing citizens in a rapidly changing world.

Our participation in the South Korean Athletic Council (SKAC) has never been higher. We have had amazing turnouts for our athletic programs as we seek to provide opportunities for our students to excel both inside and outside the classroom. During October and November, we have already seen the completion of Elementary and Middle School Futsal, High School Volleyball and Cross Country Running. Under the guidance of outstanding coaches, our students performed at their highest level, while comporting themselves with the sportsmanship and grace necessary of a SHARK.

Student Council has been hard at work, planning a number of activities that benefit our entire school. I would like to thank them for all of the work they did in organizing activities for Halloween. It would not have been such an amazing day for our students if it had not been for the meaningful contributions from our parent volunteers of the PTSO. Our school benefits tremendously from the contributions and consideration of our parents.

Our commitment to developing, a strong partnership of students, parents, and teachers was in full evidence during our Parent Teacher Conferences. We had an extremely high turnout from Early Childhood right up through High School. BFS students succeed when we all work together.

We are heading into a very busy time of the year. Some of the highlights:

- BFS will host a Science Fair on November 15th
- BFS will have it's Thanksgiving Lunch on November 24th
- We will participate in the Spelling Bee and Model United Nations on November 29th
- High School Basketball Finals are on December 6th
- Orchestra Concert on December 9th
- Elementary Concert on December 15th

- Middle and High School Exams from December 19th to 21st
- Winter Holiday from December 22nd to January 16th

Make sure to keep checking our website, facebook and emails for up-to-date listings of events and activities.

This is an amazing time to be at BFS!

BELOW IS AN OVERVIEW OF OUR SCHOOL'S LATEST WEBSITE POSTS

SCHOOL-WIDE

[HS Student council organizes activities for all ages during this year's Halloween](#)

Nov 06, 2016 02:00 pm

This year on October 31, 2016, students of Busan Foreign School celebrated Halloween with the long school-wide tradition of wearing costumes and doing Halloween activities. The activities, planned by HS student council, took place throughout the day. Elementary students celebrated...

[1st BFS Shark Tank of 2016-17 year is out](#)

Oct 18, 2016 02:25 pm

The Digital Media Creation students worked hard on their first episode of Shark Tank. This included extended stories on the BFS Volleyball season, our engaging Pep Rally and interviews with new teachers and students. But ... Let's watch it!

[2016-17 Founder's Day](#)

Oct 16, 2016 01:54 pm

On Friday, October 14, students and staff celebrated Busan Foreign School's 20th year of inspiring and nurturing learners. Founder's Day began with an opening from Student Council members Ricky Ahn and Daniel Kim, and principal Mr. Macfarlane, who welcomed the...

[We invest in our teachers: Kagan Korea visits Busan Foreign School](#)

Oct 14, 2016 10:06 am

On Thursday, October 13th, Busan Foreign School had Chris Lowe, a trainer from Kagan Korea, provide coaching and feedback to teachers on cooperative learning and student engagement. Students learn by doing, and Chris came to help us ensure that every...

EARLY CHILDHOOD AND ELEMENTARY

[ELC & ELE student of the month](#)

Nov 11, 2016 03:32 pm

Congratulations to all all students awarded with the student of the month "Articulate Communicator: Be an Active Listener!" PK-3 Gabriel K-4 Eliot K-5 ...

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL

2016-17 Science Fair

Nov 16, 2016 03:52 pm

On November 15th we hosted the 2nd SKAC science fair with over 110 students from 5 different schools competing and sharing scientific knowledge and experiments with each other. All of the science teachers are proud of all of our students who competed!...

MS Halloween Movie Night: what a blast!

Nov 06, 2016 12:59 pm

The BFS middle schoolers had a blast at the 2016 MS Halloween Movie Night! The big community came together and played activities, danced, and watched a movie together as a whole. As the students entered, the student council members would stick a...

MS visits US Ronald Reagan aircraft carrier

Oct 20, 2016 01:15 pm

On Monday October 17th, Busan Foreign Schools' sixth, seventh, and eighth graders had the opportunity of a lifetime and toured the USS Ronald Reagan, the world's largest supercarrier. Originally stationed in Japan, the Reagan was in Busan for a few...

BFS Student's exhibit at the Busan Biennale

Oct 17, 2016 02:30 pm

Wondering what to do on a rainy day? head to the Busan arts and culture center for students and check the MS & HS student exhibit which is part of this year's Busan Biennale. Many of our student's work is...

Do you know how to measure the speed of a stream flow?

Oct 15, 2016 02:12 pm

Do you know how to measure the speed of a stream flow? Our environmental science does! On October 13th they went on a field trip to try and determine the velocity of the stream flow. Students worked with meter tapes, balls,...

SPORTS

Elementary Volleyball Season has started

Nov 17, 2016 02:58 pm

The elementary volleyball season has started! in order for our children to really get into this sport Mr. Galles, Athletics director, has arranged for two volleyball stands to be set outside, on the soccer field. Our athletes can now not only...

[MS Soccer season results](#)

Nov 17, 2016 02:53 pm

The BFS MS boys teams have shown a great deal of progress and growth over the course of the season, especially in the time between the Divisional tournament and the Finals tournament. The boys have the physical skills to compete with...

OTHER

[Yearbook Pre-Orders available now!](#)

Nov 17, 2016 03:13 pm

The yearbook team is creating the biggest BFS yearbook ever. You can reserve your yearbook at a special pre-order price of 60,000 Won. This special price ends on December 22. We did sell out last year, so reserve your copy today!

[Classified: A Ball for the Expat Community in Busan](#)

Nov 17, 2016 03:04 pm

Every year, a group of expats organizes a Winter Holiday Ball at the most glamorous location in Busan: The Hyatt Ballroom. Join them this year for an unforgettable evening filled with excellent food, carefully paired wine, and dance. An opportunity...

[Come to the 2016 BIWA Bazaar](#)

Oct 25, 2016 03:49 pm

The Busan International Women Association kindly invites the BFS community to its annual BIWA Christmas Charity Bazaar. As every year BFS co-hosts the kids corner with BIFS. We have many fun activities for your children! The BIWA bazaar is the only...

IMAGES OF THE MONTH



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