



A CLASSICAL EDUCATION FOR THE MODERN WORLD
NOBLESSE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
Day & Boarding School
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

January 21, 2013

CONGRATULATIONS

Our recent Charity Concert raised nearly P50,000 which will be evenly divided between our two beneficiary schools: Sitio Monicayo & Cuayan Elementary. Many thanks again to our music teachers and students for their participation in this event and their outreach to the community.

END OF SEMESTER VACATION

Please be reminded that the **school will be closed** on Friday February 1 and Monday February 4 for the *End of Semester Break* (following exams). Classes will resume on Tuesday February 5 to begin the 2nd Semester (3rd term/quarter). This short break is well-deserved by the students, who are currently preparing for their exams.

SCIENCE FAIR

Congratulations to all participants of the Middle School Science Fair (6-8th), held last week. Projects remain on-display in the 1st floor Art Gallery. Winners of the Fair will be announced this week. Special thanks to Mr. Unal and Mr. Sleight for organizing this event.

INTERNATIONAL DAY

Our new *NIS Parent Committee* is now organizing the **1st annual International Day** for Noblesse ... tentatively scheduled for April 26 (Friday). This event will include a Parade of Nations, stage presentations, food, and sports ... and is meant to emphasize the importance of maintaining an appreciation and respect for all cultures and traditions. More details to come ...

STAFF CHANGES

Please welcome **Mr. Robert Risk** who will be joining our teaching staff in early February. Mr. Risk holds a BS degree in mathematics from the United States and has most recently taught ESL and Business English in Taiwan. He will be teaching ESL and remedial mathematics to our MS-HS students.

SCIENCE LAB

Mr. Unal (our MS-HS Science teacher) will be moving his classroom into our Science Lab, which consists of three rooms ... two labs and a classroom. We are confident that this relocation will encourage further use of our science lab, which is an important part of a strong science program. Many thanks to Mr. Unal for his cooperation.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Our Student Council will have an "Out-of-Uniform Day" day on Friday January 25 ... please buy tickets in advance for P50. These funds will be used to support various Student Council projects, including: Team Building for Middle and High school, Fieldtrips, Spring Fling, continued support of Sitio Monicayo School, and numerous other activities. Thank you for supporting the Student Council.

THE SPORTS CORNER

Sports Results:

October 15	Noblesse and Brightwoods tie in MS-HS soccer (2-2)
November 14	Noblesse defeats Narciso School in Basketball (43-39)
November 21	Kuzma defeats Noblesse in Volleyball (3-2)
December 1	Volleyball: St Paul defeats Noblesse (2-1) Badminton: Noblesse defeats St. Paul (4-0) Photo above
December 5	Table tennis: Noblesse defeats St. Paul (3-1) Photo above Table tennis: Noblesse defeats Narciso School (2-0) Badminton: Noblesse defeats Narciso School (2-1)
December 6	Brightwoods defeats Noblesse in Elementary soccer
December 11	Noblesse and Brightwoods tie in MS-HS soccer (1-1)

Practice Schedule (beginning January 14)

Mondays & Wednesday: 6-12th Basketball 3.30-4.40

Tuesday & Thursdays: 6-12th Soccer 3.30-4.30

Badminton and Volleyball will continue in Term 3 during *Activity Periods*

ARE WE MEETING OUR GOALS?

In the coming few weeks we will continue to review our progress in meeting our goals for the 2012-2013 school year

- Implementation of an international standardized exam
- Improve the resources for Early Years classrooms
- Implementation of the *Common Core Standards* in Math
- Accreditation by WASC
- Implementation of new assessment software
- Professional Development opportunities for teachers
- Implementation of an Activities Calendar
- Prepare to offer the IB Diploma Program in August 2013
- An enrolment increase of at least 15%
- Curriculum Mapping (curriculum development)
- Implementation of the *Common Core Standards* in Math

PARENT COMMITTEE MISSION

The mission of the **Noblesse Parent Committee** is to support the students, staff, and management of Noblesse International School as they endeavor to maintain a positive learning environment that enables all students to become successful learners, confident individuals, and respectful, responsible "world citizens" who contribute effectively to a competitive global society.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 21 Study Guides available for 6-12th exams

January 25 *Out of Uniform Day* for P50

January 28-31 2nd Quarter exams

January 29-31 will be 12.30 dismissal for all grades

February 1 & 4 School Closed

February 6 Parent Meeting @ 8am

February 11 Report Cards distributed

February 12-13 Parent-Teacher Conferences

February 25 EDSA (No school)

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