



# NEWSLETTER

## Tomorrow Never Comes

Most of my work as a principal involves paperwork and administrative tasks. At times, I wonder if all of it is truly necessary. Many requests feel overly formal or forced into templates that make little sense. Yet every report, every form, every document—comes with a deadline. It's humbling to admit, but I'm a chronic procrastinator. I tend to work best when the deadline looms dangerously close. Even as I write this editorial, it's early morning on the day it's due. Ironically, another important deadline also falls today.

When I first encountered English in middle school in Korea, one of the earliest proverbs I learned was: "Never put off till tomorrow what can be done today." I remember practicing cursive writing and proudly filling the blackboard with those elegant loops and lines. Yet decades later, I still fail to live by the wisdom I once wrote so beautifully.

A street vendor was once pushing his ice cream cart, calling out, "Buy today—two scoops for five dollars! Tomorrow, it's free!" A man, intrigued, asked, "So if I come back tomorrow, it's really free?" "Yes, absolutely," replied the vendor. The next day, the man returned. "I'm here for my free ice cream." "Oh, sir," said the vendor, "you need to come tomorrow." "But yesterday you said today is tomorrow!" The vendor smiled and said, "No, sir. Today is today. Tomorrow is always tomorrow." Frustrated, the man asked, "Then when does tomorrow actually come?" The vendor replied calmly, "Tomorrow never comes." It's a humorous story, but it carries a sobering truth: today is all we truly have. When we delay what matters, we gamble with time that isn't guaranteed. Statistics show that about 172,000 people die every day around the world. For them, tomorrow never arrived.

One book captures this reality with tenderness and honesty — *The Top Five Regrets of the Dying* by Bronnie Ware, an Australian nurse who spent years caring for hospice patients. From their final reflections, she identified five common regrets:

1. I wish I had lived true to myself, not the life others expected of me.
2. I wish I hadn't worked so hard.
3. I wish I had expressed my feelings more.
4. I wish I had stayed in touch with my friends.
5. I wish I had let myself be happier.

From all five comes one shared lesson: Live authentically. Love deeply. Be grateful — for tomorrow is never promised. Our children are still young. They have homework to finish, yes — but more importantly, they have scraped knees that need a band-aid right now, stories they want to share at bedtime tonight, and hugs they offer freely — at least for a few more years. These moments won't wait for us to be less busy.

As parents and educators, we often find ourselves saying, "Not now, maybe later," or "We'll do that this weekend," or "When things calm down..." But childhood doesn't pause for our schedules. The ice cream vendor's wisdom applies to us, too: that conversation with your child, that family game night, that "I love you" before bed — these can't be postponed to a tomorrow that may never come. So tonight, let's put down our phones a little earlier, listen a little longer, and hold our children a little closer. The paperwork will still be there tomorrow. But this moment — this today — with our children as they are right now? This is all we truly have.



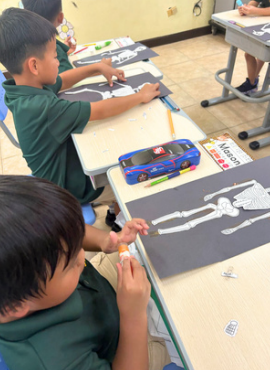
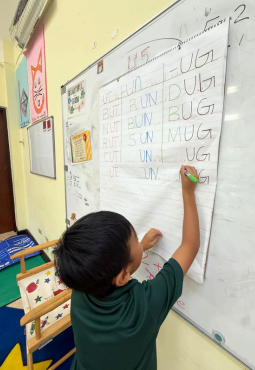
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Principal

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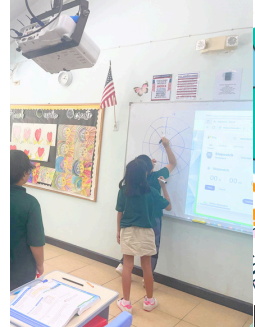
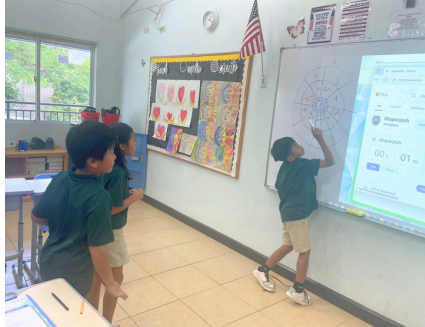
**Kindergarten** - Left to right: Pretending to row a canoe for Language Arts activity, creating paintings for Bible class, and completing a graph activity for Math.



**1st Grade** - Left to right: Strengthening mental Math skills, building word chart, creating and labeling diagrams of skeletons, and recreating alphabetical order by sorting words from A to Z.



**2nd Grade** - Left to right: Creating safety signs as examples of non-verbal communication, using compensation to add in Math class, and creating number line jelly fish.



**3rd & 4th Grade** - Left to Right: Using dictionaries to learn definitions and alphabetical order, practice paraphrasing and illustrating concepts, and racing against the clock to master multiplication facts.

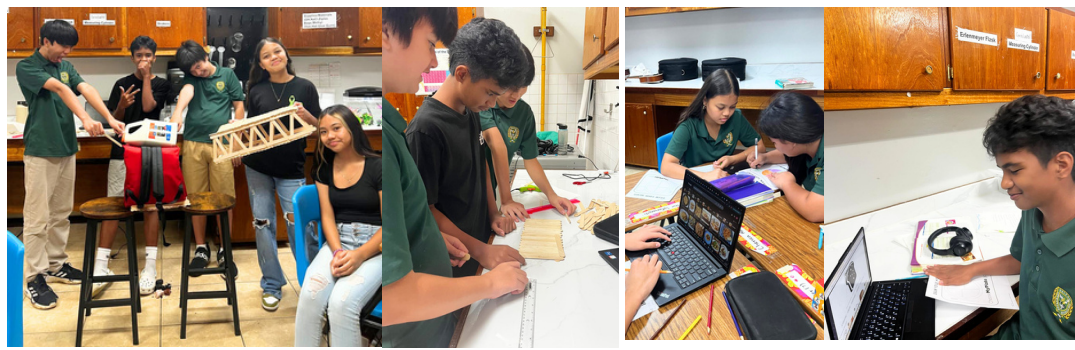


**5th & 6th Grade** - Left to right: Working on irregular verbs focusing on past, present, and past participle on a crossword puzzle, making safety designs for an egg to see if it will crack, and working on classification essays.



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WITHOUT CEASING, GIVE  
THANKS IN ALL  
CIRCUMSTANCES; FOR THIS  
IS THE WILL OF GOD IN  
CHRIST JESUS FOR YOU.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



7th & 8th Grade – Left to right: Building a bridge for STEM and listing out their ideal plate for “my plate”.

## Physical Education



## Friday Chapel



## November Birthdays

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| Zoe Leon Guerrero  | 8  |
| Jordyn Wise        | 8  |
| Josef Yang         | 14 |
| Matthew Nelvis     | 21 |
| Ayana Isabelle Jin | 28 |



# Dates to Know

## Wednesday, November 26

Thanksgiving Program  
10:00 am

*\*Early Pick up 12:30 pm*

*\*No After School Care*

## November 27 & 28

No School  
Thanksgiving Break

## Monday, December 8

No School  
Constitution Day

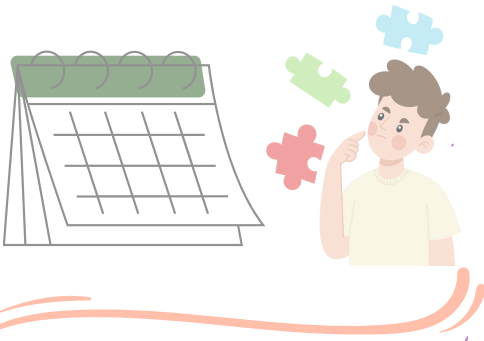
## Thursday, December 11

Christmas Program  
Marianas Beach Resort  
CDC 6:00 pm

Elementary 7:00 pm

*\*Early Pick up 12:30 pm*

*\*No After School Care*



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# Child Development Center



**Toddlers** – From left to right: Engaging in imaginative play with a kitchen set and proudly displaying their colorful portraits.



**Preschool** – Left to right: Placing beans in each square and showcasing the orange book that they made.



**Pre-Kindergarten** – From left to right: Singing our morning bible songs and learning how to write numbers one to thirty.

## After School Academy



**Sports**



**Games**

**Indoor Play**