

# NEWSLETTER

## ECE READING BUDDIES

After a successful day of reading Dr. Seuss's books to the Red Shirts in Nursery, Pre-school, and Kindergarten, the NEHS organization has decided to expand this promising program. Each week, one or more of our dedicated NEHS members will take the journey to ECE and will read chapter books with the kindergarteners as they are budding into proficient readers. We will strive to improve their reading comprehension, expand their vocabulary, and build relationships centered around love and learning with our ECE buddies. It is the hope that strong bonds will be built as we spread awareness of the English language and literature with the future of our secondary school.



Those who are interested in joining the NEHS organization next school year must receive an invitation from the coordinator, Ms. Flavia, and must submit their personal statements and 2 recommendation letters. These applications will then be read and reviewed, and nine additional applicants will be selected. Joining NEHS benefits your resume, advances your reading and writing skills, and gives you the opportunity to plan events and take part in the heart of Escuela Campo Alegre. **COMPETITION IS HIGH, AND OUR STANDARDS ARE HIGHER!** We look forward to your contributions that will improve the NEHS organization here at ECA.

## EDITORS MESSAGE

Welcome back!  
Already heading into April, we're near the end of the school year. For this month's newsletter, our team has decided to cover new additions to school activities such as those of ECE Reading Buddies and Big Brother Big Sister. Not only that, but we've also made sure to go through some of the most important dates in this month like April's Fools and Earth Day.

We hope you enjoy this issue and also read the upcoming one for May.

Stay tuned for more updates,

*Tia & Letizia - editors in chief*

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Apr. 1st - April's Fools Day
- Apr. 19th - National Holiday/  
No School!
- Apr. 22nd - Earth Day
- Apr. 23rd - Shakespeare Day

## BIG BROTHER BIG SISTER



Do you love young kids? Do you have a natural teaching ability? Or are you just a fun and patient person?

Then the Big Brother Big Sister program is for you! Each Tuesday from 3:30-4:30, high school students help younger kids with homework, read books to them, and strive to be a kind and mature example that they can look up to. It would work towards your CAS hours and would look great on a resume.

Talk to Miss. Luz if interested.

## APRIL'S FOOLS DAY

April Fool's Day is a highly anticipated (or possibly dreaded) holiday that occurs annually on April 1st. It is a day of practical jokes, hoaxes, and puns. So, why do we celebrate this seemingly useless holiday?

To begin, everybody likes a good laugh, a chance to be silly, and to be spontaneous. Psychological studies have shown that humor chases away negative feelings, establishes a sense of belonging between those who are laughing, increases social connection, releases tension, and even boosts one's morale.

With this in mind, how are you going to celebrate April Fool's this year???

Here are some ideas to start you off...

- Sneak salt or pepper in your friend's water
- Change someone's clock
- Make chili powder cookies and share them with your friends
- Place a plastic bug or cut out bug silhouette on the inside of a lamp and prepare for screams

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

VICTORIA HARDING- 10TH GRADE

## Q1. What kind of music do you like to listen to?

“I enjoy different types of music. I love The Smiths and alternative rock. I’m also a big fan of Taylor Swift and her alternative folk and pop albums. Sometimes I listen to rap but that is only if I’m in the mood.”

## Q2. What do you like to do after school?

“When I get home from school and swim, I like to relax and watch the current show I’m binging at the time. After I usually try and get some homework done.”

## EARTH DAY

Celebrated annually on April 22nd, Earth Day is a special date in which we celebrate achievements towards environmental movement and also raise awareness on protecting Earth’s natural resources. The first time that we saw this holiday can be traced back to 1970 when in the USA, about 20 million people got together and went to work in community sites around the country. Senator of that time, Gaylord Nelson, was the main promoter of this event, calling upon everyone to fight against environmental degradation.

Today, Earth Day is celebrated worldwide in around 141 countries and has led to positive changes in our environment. To help our planet, you can do some of the following activities during this special Monday 22nd:

- Plant a tree
- Go and clean up plastic in your neighborhood
- Start recycling



## SHAKESPEARE DAY

Shakespeare day will be hosted by our own NEHS organization on the 23rd of April. On this day, we will commemorate the famous poet and playwright, William Shakespeare. This man was one of the main influencers who shaped contemporary literature as we know it today. Thanks to him, many writers and poets are inspired to be pushed to their creative boundaries, bringing forth the sensational works that are admired worldwide.

## Bored?? Here’s a Fun Game to play with a friend!

1. Grab 2 pencils, 2 papers, and a friend
2. Each player chooses a secret 4-letter word and writes it at the top of their paper, out of view from their friend.
3. Next, write out the alphabet so that throughout the game you can cross out letters that you know are not in their word
4. The younger person begins the game by making a guess at their friend's word and writing it down. ex: FROG
5. The other person will then say how many letters are correct, and you would write that number next to the word that you guessed.
6. Take turns guessing 4-letter words until you guess your friend's secret word.
7. The objective of the game is to guess your friend’s word before they guess yours.
8. Have fun!!