

# MARCH 2026

## Volleyball Travel Team:

Written by: Nicamar Piñeiro (10<sup>th</sup>)



On February 26, our school's JV girls volleyball team travelled to compete in the NIKE Boston National Qualifier. After many practices and all the preparation we were excited to compete, although we were a little nervous to be entering such a big tournament, our goal was still to win. We wanted to do our best and represent our school well. With all of our friends and family watching us from home we had even more motivation to reach our goal. Through all of our games we played with a lot of energy and teamwork, supporting each other and staying focused, and by the end of the tournament we were able to finish undefeated with 8 wins and 0 losses which was an amazing feeling for all of us. When we came back to school on March 4, it made the experience even more special, our school welcomed us back and celebrated our achievement. It was a great moment for the team and it showed that all the hard work and dedication really paid off. A lesson that I was able to learn through this experience is that we can do anything we put our minds to if we trust each other, we work hard and stay focused on our goal, because as Philippians 4:13 says: I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.



## Science & STEAM Week:

Written by: Carlos Berroa (10<sup>th</sup>)

During the week of March 2-6, many schools participated in what is known as STEAM week. STEAM week is dedicated to 5 specific categories relating to careers: Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math. The purpose of this week is to encourage students to explore these different areas since most careers often have many elements that stem from these topics. It helps students familiarize themselves with these disciplines which will help them in their future studies. During this week students participate in many projects which encourage the development of skills like critical thinking and problem solving. This year our school also participated in this celebration, and as a part of it, elementary students prepared many different projects throughout the week. Some of these projects included many arts and crafts but also presentations relating to science and math among other topics. Seeing these students build and create so many wonderful projects and develop such creative ideas was a great thing to see. I'm glad that Wesleyan Academy consistently participates in STEAM week every year, ensuring that our students stay sharp and always prepared for the future.



From left to right:  
Myla Duggan, Amaya Abreu, Alexa Diaz, Chantal González, Natalia Torres, Gema Ortiz, Valeria Rey, Pia Rodríguez, and Nicamar Piñeiro with their coach Sergio Díaz.

## Elementary School Spirit Week:

Written by: Olga Cancel (12<sup>th</sup>)

This year's Spirit Week at the elementary school took place on March 11-12. Students had the exciting opportunity to dress up in outfits representing different eras, carefully selected by their teachers. Many students showcased the vibrant styles of the 1960s, 1970s, 1980s, and the 90's. The event was a fun and engaging experience for both students and teachers, bringing energy and creativity to the school halls.

## High School Spirit Week:

Written by: Ariana Galliano (10<sup>th</sup>)

High School Spirit Week took place during the days of March 23-26, every day students had the opportunity to dress up according to a certain theme. On Monday March 23 the theme was Country vs Country Club: students could dress up as cowboys or as if they were going to a country club to play golf or tennis. On Tuesday March 24, the theme was Dress up as one of your teachers; where students were able to dress up as one of their teachers. On Wednesday March 25 the theme was Meme day, students dressed up as social media memes. On Thursday March 26 the theme was Ghost of decades past where students traveled back to different decades. Each grade dressed up as their assigned decade: 7th grade (70s), 8th grade (80s), 9th grade (90s), 10th grade (2000s), 11th grade (2010s) and 12th grade (2020s). The celebration provided an entertaining and inspiring experience for everyone, lighting up the school with creativity and enthusiasm.



## Golf Tournament:



Written by: Amanda Torres (10<sup>th</sup>)

Every year, Wesleyan Academy celebrates and creates a Golf tournament for past alumni and students to participate in. This year, it was held in Wyndham Grand Rio Mar Rainforest Beach and Golf Resort. The school calls for sponsors to promote the tournament for more people to participate. It is truly an important event for the school to celebrate joy and happy moments through a sport. Participants who come, enjoy a beautiful day surrounded with friends and past alumnus while competing in a fun and welcoming environment. Throughout the tournament, there's moments of laughter, teamwork, and celebration as players come together. The school encourages everyone in the community to participate and take part in the year's tournament—whether to play, sponsor or support. Let's continue this tradition that brings the community together and celebrate our school pride.

## 11th Retreat:



Written by: Jorge Rotger (11<sup>th</sup>)

On March 17<sup>th</sup>, our 11th grade students left the school at the crack of dawn to make their way to La Senda Casona, in Toa Alta for their spiritual retreat. They partook in many different activities, they danced, they sang, and most importantly they got closer to the Lord. With guest speakers who taught them to stay on the correct path, never losing their way as a child of God, and to never let their judgement slip. But they also had the chance to enjoy themselves, they played board games, watched the baseball final, and ate a lot. The retreat ended with a deep reflection and prayer session that moved every student there. They left the retreat changed, creating new memories and good times.



## Field Days:

Written by: Ambar Roche (11<sup>th</sup>)

During the past days of March 13 and March 27, the Wesleyan community had the opportunity to enjoy Field Days organized by the P.E. Department for both elementary and high school students. It was a fun time where students presented their dances, competed in activities, and most importantly spent quality time with their classmates. These days were filled with both competitiveness and companionship becoming truly a memorable experience for everyone involved.

## PTSO: Spring Initiative

With spring just around the corner, the PTSO was delighted to share coffee and snacks with the teachers at the academy as part of its February initiatives. This small gesture was a simple way to remind them how much they are valued and appreciated. The PTSO is truly grateful for the dedication, care, and commitment the teachers show every day in guiding and educating the students.



## Futsal Tournament:



Written by: Amayah Hernández (10<sup>th</sup>)

What a weekend full of loud energy, cheers and championships here at Wesleyan Academy! From March 19-20 Wesleyan Academy hosted its annual Futsal Tournament in which our dedicated players put all their energy and skills onto the court. The Pep Rally took place on March 19 and unified all of our Wesleyan Eagles: teachers, students, staff, and parents were all there to support and honor our beloved players. And it's not a Wesleyan Pep-Rally without its very well loved teachers versus students match! This match left the crowd roaring in support for their favorite team and players and eventually the teachers beat the students 2-0! The tournament began strong with our Junior Boys beating Sotero 3-1 and later beating Mater 3-0. At the finals, Wesleyan was bestowed the title of Sub-Champions after falling to Cupeyville 0-3. This tournament demonstrated that throughout the most important games you have to believe in the power of your teammates and God to get far! Congratulations to our Junior Boys and let's keep representing our school with pride and joy.



## Featured Senior:

Written by: Mayra Estrada

In this edition, we recognize Fabiola Santos. For the past six years, she has been an integral part of the WA community, growing into a remarkable senior who exemplifies leadership, dedication, and compassion.

Fabiola currently holds several leadership roles that reflect both her character and the respect she has earned from her peers and teachers. She serves as Class Directive Vocal, as well as Vice President of the National Honor Society.

Having known Fabiola since her early years in middle school, it has been inspiring to watch her grow into the exceptional young woman she is today. She approaches every challenge with determination and grace, setting a powerful example for younger students.

Looking ahead, Fabiola aspires to become a veterinarian, a goal that perfectly aligns with her caring nature and strong work ethic. There is no doubt that she will continue to achieve great things and make a meaningful difference in the lives of others, both human and animal alike.

Fabiola's journey is a testament to what can be accomplished through hard work, passion, and heart. WA is proud to celebrate her accomplishments and looks forward to all that she will achieve in the future.

## Special Chapel: 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Written by: Mayra Estrada

On March 26, Wesleyan Academy marked its 70th anniversary with a heartfelt chapel dedicated to alumni, bringing together current students, faculty, and former graduates. The special service honored the school's rich history and the lasting impact of its alumni community.

A highlight of the chapel was a moving message from alumnus Jahaziel Benitez, who shared part of his personal testimony with the entire school community. His words inspired students and staff alike, reflecting on the values and lessons that Wesleyan Academy instills in its graduates. Another special moment was the presence of former chaplains, Mr. Samuel Garcia and Mr. Daniel Rivera, whose return added a sense of nostalgia and celebration to the event.



Jahaziel Benitez



Left: to right: Mr. Samuel Garcia and Daniel Rivera

## Awareness:

Written by: Fabiola Santos (12<sup>th</sup>)



March is Women's History Month. This brings a chance to celebrate the incredible women who've changed the world and the everyday leaders in our lives and in our own school. From moms to teachers to professionals to scientists and artists to activists and athletes, women's stories are full of creativity, courage, and plenty of inspiration. It's also a reminder to listen to voices that aren't always heard and to stand up for fairness and opportunity. So this month, learn a fun fact, share a story, and give a spotlight to the women who paved the way and to those women who make your life better everyday even with a small act of kindness like a simple thank you. To the women and girls reading this, know how incredible and loved you are. Remember to keep dreaming big, to use your voice, and know that your ideas matter.



## Space Camp:

Written by: Adriam Rohena (11<sup>th</sup>)



Throughout the week of March 22nd - 28th, students from 6th grade had the opportunity to go to Space Camp. Now you might be wondering, what is Space Camp? It's an educational program that simulates astronaut training, space exploration, technology, and many more! This program helps students with teamwork, leadership, confidence, career exploration, and inspires their curiosity of the universe. The time spent there is truly valuable, as it combines fun with learning by providing real-world application of STEM concepts. So, if you have the time, Space Camp and its other multiple programs and activities are great for all ages.



Sixth grade students enjoying Space Camp.



## Holy Week:

Written by: Camila Rivera (11<sup>th</sup>)

As March comes to an end, the school community will take a break in observance of Holy Week. Students and staff are making a pause to celebrate Easter, reconnect with Christ, have a spring reset and prepare themselves to continue this last quarter. What's most especially important is that this week represents the resurrection of Christ. Portraying the forgiveness of our sins as well as God's undying love for us.

Philippians 3:10 states "That I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death." Take this as a sign to use this time to truly focus on Christ so you can also know him. Finally WA leaves you with a farewell and happy Easter.

