



BIS Newsletter

Issue No. 11 | 12 Jan 2024

- Message from the Principal
- What's On / Important Dates
- Extra-Curricular Activities
- Staffing Update
- Learning Activities
- Library Corner
- Staff Award
- House Points

Contents

What's On 15-19 January

All Week – CAT4 Assessments
All Week - Arabic Department Competitions
15-Jan - Designated Safeguarding Training
15-Jan - Assessment Workshop
16-Jan - Year10-Year 12 IGCE/A Levels Parent Meeting
17-Jan - Preparatory School Vocabulary Parade
17-Jan - SOD Parent Workshop on People with Disabilities
17-Jan - FS2 to Year 9 Parent Meeting
18-Jan - SOD Individual Assistant Workshop
18-Jan - Police Car Visit to the Nursery
18-Jan Trips to Future Museum in Dubai - Years 2-6
19-Jan – Umbrella Day

Staffing Update

Please join us in extending a heartfelt welcome to our new staff as they begin their journey at Belvedere International School.

Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

We are pleased to share what a positive start it has been to Term 2 at Belvedere International School. We are extremely pleased with the resilience displayed by our community and have embraced the changes taken place this term.

One of our significant developments has been our transition to longer lessons. This extended time will allow for deeper explanation, richer discussions, more extended writing and enhanced learning experiences. This also exemplifies our schools commitment to continuous improvement.

Attendance and punctuality will be a key focus from this term. Please continue to send your children to school on time every day. It makes an enormous difference to their achievements and success.

Alongside this, is the importance of our school uniform. It is a symbol that brings us together as a school community, creating a sense of pride and belonging for everyone. Starting from Monday 15th January 2024, all our students will need to follow the uniform policy of our school. It's a display of commitment to the values of Belvedere International School.

This term we envision a real sense of accomplishment and excitement for the future of Belvedere. Every day is an opportunity to improve, and we are grateful for your support on this journey.

Antonette Naidoo

Extra Curricular Activities

Enrich Your Child's Learning and Social Development

We are thrilled to announce the official launch of our Extracurricular Activities (ECA) booklet for Term 2! The booklet provides a comprehensive overview of the exciting activities we offer students to explore their interests, develop new skills, and enhance their overall learning experience. We encourage you to explore the ECA booklet with your child to identify activities that spark their interest and align with their skills and aspirations. Choose an ECA that fits your child's schedule and ensures they can participate regularly and actively and encourage your child to choose an ECA that complements their academic studies and avoids overloading their schedule. The ECA booklet was distributed electronically through our communication platforms.

Let's make Term 2 a time of enriching learning and vibrant social interaction for all our students!

Ms. Anne Waite
CEO

Ms. Naghma Begum
Teacher – Year 5R

Ms. Jenisha Moodley
Teacher – Year 4B

Ms. Aisheh Ahmed
Teacher - Arabic

Mr. Oussama Debiche
Teacher – Music

Ms. Danielle Carolissen
Teacher – Year 3B

Mr. Mustafa Almkdad
Teacher – Arabic

Mr. Nirvay Narsing
Teacher –English - Senior

Ms. Camella Harrison
Teacher – Year 2B

Mr. Jonathan Muindi
Examinations Officer

Ms. Nour Yousef
Arabic Dept. Asst.

Learning Activities

Foundation Stage 2

This week in FS2 the children have settled back after the long winter break. The children have been exploring our new theme Come Outside by reading stories about very hungry caterpillars, creating their own caterpillars and butterflies and exploring 3D shapes. It was also great to see them achieving certificates for all their hard work in Term one and we are excited to see what the new term brings us.



Prep School

It's delightful to share that our Prep students had a fantastic week back at school, embracing the joy of learning once more. Engaging in exciting activities across all subjects, they eagerly immersed themselves in the diverse learning experiences. The happiness of being reunited with friends added an extra layer of positivity to their return. Here's to many more weeks filled with enthusiasm, exploration, and the camaraderie of friends!



Senior School

This week at Belvedere was nothing short of spectacular! Our students showcased their remarkable talents and achievements at the Awards Ceremony, where we celebrated their hard work, dedication, and outstanding accomplishments. It was truly inspiring to see the enthusiasm and pride among our young achievers. In addition to the Awards Ceremony, we also had the pleasure of hosting a captivating Book Fair on campus. The fair featured a diverse collection of books that catered to a wide range of interests and age groups. It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to explore the world of literature and cultivate a love for reading. We extend our gratitude to everyone who contributed to making these events memorable and look forward to more enriching experiences in the weeks to come.



Arabic Department

ودعنا أسبوعاً مميزاً جسدنا فيه احتفالات المدرسة والدولة بأسبوع اللغة العربية الذي صادف 18 من ديسمبر ، وقد حرصت المدرسة على المشاركة في هذا الأسبوع بعقد معرض للكتاب والقراءة والذي تزامن مع شهر الكتاب والمكتبات ، قدم لنا المعرض مجموعة من الكتب والقصص والأعمال التربوية على مدى أربعة أيام تخللها زيارات من الجميع (طلاب ومعلمين وأولياء أمور) وقد سعدنا بحرصهم على اقتناء مجموعة من الكتب التي أثارت إعجابهم ، كما كان من ضمن الفعاليات فقرة الحكواتي التي أحيت لنا بعضاً من تراثنا القديم استمتع فيها طلابنا الأعزاء بعدد من قصص التراث والحكايا القديمة شاركهم فيها الدكتور نعيم عضو مجلس الأمناء ، ويبقى الكتاب رفيقاً

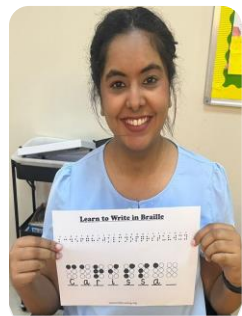
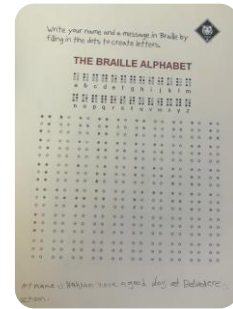


SOD

What is Braille language?

Braille is a display of alphanumeric symbols using six tactile dots to represent each letter and number, including symbols for music, mathematics, and science. The blind and visually impaired use the Braille language.

The SoD department held an event about Braille language, which was participated by the students and teachers. They have written their names and a sentence of their own using the Braille alphabet.



LIBRARY CORNER

Primary students enjoyed listening to the story told by Ms. Shadia in the library during their library classes. Year 5 classes had fun with educational games and puzzles, while secondary students selected their own book to read for independent reading.



Story of the Week:
The Gruffalo's Child
by: Julia Donaldson
and Axel Scheffler



STAFF AWARD



Mr. Stuart Philander
Teacher – Year 4R

For his dedication and hard work and for being supportive to new teachers.

HOUSE POINTS



768



820



777



796