



BELVEDERE
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BIS Newsletter

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What's on / Important Dates

30 Sep to 04 Oct 2024

All Month

- Breast Cancer Awareness Month

30-Sep (Monday)

- School Book Fair
- Arabic Reading Challenge
- CAT4 Tests – Year 4

01-Oct (Tuesday)

- School Book Fair
- CAT4 Tests – Year 6
- Accelerated Reader Online Training for Teaching Staff

02-Oct (Wednesday)

- School Book Fair
- CAT4 Tests – Year 8 and Y10
- Spelling Bee – 1st Round

03-Oct (Thursday)

- School Book Fair
- Sharing Learning Morning
- Nursery Police Visit
- CAT4 Tests – Year 6, 8 and 10 (Catch-Up)
- Parent Coffee with the Principal

04-Oct (Friday)

- World Teachers' Day
- Holy Hadith Competition

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

I hope this message finds you well. At Belvedere International School, we are committed to providing your children with the best educational experience possible, and today I would like to highlight one of the most fundamental aspects of their development—**Reading**.

The Importance of Reading for Language Acquisition

Reading plays a crucial role in the development of language skills. Through reading, students are exposed to a wide variety of vocabulary, sentence structures, and ideas that help them develop both their understanding and use of language. This process is vital not only for their ability to communicate effectively but also for success in every academic subject. Whether it's math, science, or social studies, strong reading skills lay the foundation for overall academic achievement.

The Role of Reading at School

At Belvedere International School, we place great emphasis on fostering a love for reading in all our students. Our curriculum is designed to encourage regular reading across different subjects, ensuring that students engage with texts that challenge and expand their language abilities. In addition, we've introduced several digital resources that enhance this experience, helping to make reading more interactive and enjoyable.

We are pleased to offer students access to MyOn and Accelerated Reader apps, which have been specifically chosen for their proven effectiveness in improving reading fluency and comprehension. These apps allow students to explore a wide range of books, track their reading progress, and take quizzes that assess their understanding, helping them become more confident readers.

The Role of Reading at Home

While we support reading in school, your involvement at home is equally important.



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By encouraging your children to read regularly and use the tools we've provided, you can help reinforce the skills they learn in the classroom. Here are a few ways you can support your child's reading journey:

Set aside dedicated reading time: Even 20 minutes of daily reading can make a big difference.

Explore MyOn and Accelerated Reader together: These apps offer access to thousands of digital books at varying reading levels. Sit with your child as they navigate the platforms, and discuss the stories and topics they enjoy.

Ask questions about what they read: Encourage them to summarize, ask questions, or share their thoughts on what they're reading. This helps them develop critical thinking and comprehension skills.

How Reading Impacts Performance in All Subjects

When students improve their reading, they also enhance their ability to understand complex instructions, analyze problems, and express their thoughts clearly. This boosts their performance in all subjects, from math and science to history and the arts. Reading helps them approach problems more logically, engage with content more critically, and become more independent learners.

We encourage you to take full advantage of the resources available through MyOn and Accelerated Reader. These tools are not only designed to support reading but also foster a deeper connection with learning across the board.

Together, we can create a rich learning environment that supports your child's academic growth, both in school and at home. Thank you for your ongoing support as we strive to make learning engaging, effective, and enjoyable for all students.

Warm regards,

Israt Dawn

Principal, Belvedere International School



Extra Curricular Activities



We are always thrilled to share the exciting activities lined up for our students. Our extracurricular activities (ECAs) are designed to not only help students relax and enjoy themselves but also to cultivate invaluable skills that will benefit them both academically and personally.

During the break, our students are in a relax mode, engaging in various activities that not only provided enjoyment but also helped them build essential skills. These activities are not just a means of unwinding but also serve as platforms for personal growth and development.

Participation in ECAs plays a crucial role in a student's life, aiding in the development of confidence and resilience. Through these activities, students have the opportunity to explore their interests, collaborate with peers, and challenge themselves in new and exciting ways. The skills and experiences gained through ECAs often translate into improved academic performance, enhanced social skills, and a deeper sense of self-awareness.

We encourage you, as parents and guardians, to support and motivate your children to register and participate in our extracurricular programs.

We believe that a well-rounded education includes not only academic excellence but also the holistic development of each student.



Learning Activities

Foundation Stage 2

FS2 students have had another fantastic few weeks of learning. Our number and sound recognition have made great progress. And the students have had so much fun sharing pictures of their families and themselves as babies.



Primary School

We have finished another fun week in Primary School! Our students were busy learning and enjoying their breaks. We were happy to welcome parents for a special reading workshop, and we celebrated the success of our students all week. During assembly, we congratulated the students who joined the Roadmap to Rules competition and those who earned bronze awards. We are excited for more fun and learning next week!



Secondary School

The past two weeks have been full of exciting experiences and learning opportunities for our secondary students. They had the chance to attend the ITS World Congress in Dubai, where they explored the future of transportation and discovered cutting-edge technologies. Our students also had the opportunity to meet peers from other schools and connect with CEOs from leading companies, broadening their horizons.

In addition, our students have been entrusted with new leadership responsibilities, receiving badges to recognise their roles within the school community. This week, we also celebrated the BIS Healthy Day, led by our school nurse, who hosted an engaging assembly focused on health and fitness. Throughout the week, students participated in a variety of fitness activities, promoting well-being and an active lifestyle. We look forward to more weeks filled with growth and achievement!



Learning Activities

Arabic Department

ومع انطلاقة مليئة بالأمل ، قام قسم العربية بالإبداع في تأسيس غرف الأنشطة المنفصلة للطلاب والطالبات ، التي تشكل نواة القراءة والإبداع والترفيه عن النفس ، وقد تم إثراء الغرف بمجموعة من القصص للاستمتاع بالإضافة إلى عدد من الألعاب العقلية وآخر الواصلين الجدد كانت لعبة تنس الطاولة ، وكان حضور الطلاب المميز إلى هذه الغرف هو الإغناء الحقيقي .

وعلى صعيد النشاط المتواصل كان للإبداع في استثمار الأنشطة في التعليم هو المحرك والدافع لطلاب العربية بطلاب الدراسات الاجتماعية للمشاركة بفاعلية أكبر ، أضيف إلى ذلك كله إبداعات نشاط الهوية والبيئة المدرسية اللذان يعملان معا في إغناء ثقافة الطلاب بوطنه وانتماؤه لهويته واعتزازه بمنجزات قادة الوطن وهي أهم ركائز لجان الهوية الوطنية.



Inclusion Department

Belvedere International School proudly celebrated International Sign Language Day on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, with a vibrant morning assembly where students learned new signs, deepening their appreciation for communication and inclusion. The event brought immense pride and joy to our school community as students expressed themselves through sign language!

At Belvedere, we embrace every opportunity to learn, grow, and celebrate the diverse ways we can understand and support one another, fostering an inclusive environment where all voices are valued and heard.



Learning Activities

Library Activities

This week in the library, we had a wonderful array of activities that brought our love for reading to life! We kicked off with engaging storytelling sessions, where students gathered to listen to captivating tales and even shared some of their own favorites. Everyone enjoyed exploring the Accelerated Reader program, choosing both physical books and eBooks from myON, allowing for a diverse reading experience. Throughout the week, we also sang songs related to our stories, adding a musical touch that made learning even more fun. It was a fantastic week filled with imagination and discovery!



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Attention everyone! The Book Fair is coming to our school next week! This is a fantastic opportunity to discover new books, explore a variety of genres, and find something special to take home.

The Book Fair will be held in the Atrium (beside the gym) from Monday to Thursday, with special hours for the parents after 2 pm. Don't miss out on the chance to support our school and expand your reading collection.

We can't wait to see you there! Happy reading!