

## BIS Newsletter

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# What's on / Important Dates 16-20 Sep 2024

#### **All Week**

- Maths Week
- New Group Reading Tests (NGRT)Year 2 to Year 11

### 16-Sep (Monday)

Prophet Muhammad Birthday
 Assembly

#### 17-Sep (Tuesday)

- Lecture on Scouting Senior Girls
- Lecture on Scouting Senior Boys

### 19-Sep (Thursday)

- Secondary School Trip to ITS
   World Congress, Dubai World Trade
   Centre
- Nursery Yellow Colour Show and Tell
- Parent Coffee with the Principal

### Message from the Principal

### Dear Parents,

I hope this message finds you well. As we continue to progress through the academic year, I would like to take a moment to highlight an essential aspect of your child's education—attendance and punctuality.

At Belvedere International School, we firmly believe that regular attendance is a key factor in student achievement. Arriving on time, at or before 7:35 am, and being present every day ensures that students can fully engage with the learning opportunities provided. This is not only critical for their academic success but also a valuable life skill that will serve them well in their future endeavors.

I am pleased to share that, thanks to your ongoing support and the hard work of our students, we have achieved a very good rate of punctuality and attendance, so far, this academic year. It is inspiring to see our students embracing these values, and I encourage everyone to continue this excellent trend.

I also want to emphasize the importance of attending school on Fridays. Although it is a half-day, the lessons and activities conducted on Fridays are just as vital as those on any other day. Consistency in attendance helps your child maintain a routine and ensures they don't miss out on crucial learning experiences.

Let's continue to work together to foster a culture of commitment and responsibility in our students. Your partnership in reinforcing the importance of attendance is greatly appreciated, and together, we can ensure the continued success of our students.

Warm regards,

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Principal, Belvedere International School



### Extra Curricular Activities



As we conclude the first week of our ECA program for this term, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on our progress and address some important points.

We kicked off the term with great enthusiasm and had a strong start to our ECA program. It was fantastic to see students actively engaging in various activities and showing eagerness to explore new skills and interests. The energy and commitment demonstrated by many of our participants are truly commendable.

However, it has come to our attention that there are still a significant number of students who have not yet signed up for the program. Participating in ECAs can be incredibly beneficial, not only in terms of developing specific skills but also in providing a platform to build confidence, and enhance overall personal growth.

I strongly encourage all students to consider joining our ECA program and take advantage of the opportunities it presents.

If you have any questions, need assistance, or simply want to discuss the program further, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at any time. Your feedback and participation are essential to the success of our ECA program, and I am here to support you in any way I can.

Let's work together to make this term a fulfilling and enriching experience for all our students. Thank you for your continued support and involvement.









## Learning Activities

### **Foundation Stage 2**

This has been a wonderful week full of learning. The students have enjoyed learning about our sounds of the week and all about our emotions. They have enjoyed exploring and developing their new skills. It has been a joy to see them so happy and engaged in learning.







### **Primary School**

Students have been making great progress at school. Swimming lessons have started, and the students are excited. They've been thoroughly enjoying their art sessions and hands-on experiments in the Science Lab. Additionally, we've begun awarding Bronze certificates to recognise students who have earned 20 points on Class Dojo for demonstrating positive behaviour. We look forward to continuing to reward even more positive behaviour in the weeks to come.







### **Secondary School**

We've had an exciting two weeks filled with engaging learning experiences and opportunities for both students and parents! Our students enjoyed another week of fun and discovery, fully immersed in their lessons and activities. It's wonderful to see their enthusiasm and growth each day!

This week, we hosted a successful IGCSE/A Levels Information Evening, where parents gained valuable insights into these important programmes and how they will support their child's academic journey. We also launched our ECA (Extra-Curricular Activities) programme, giving students even more opportunities to explore their interests and develop new skills outside of the classroom. Additionally, our Assessment and Learning Ladders Workshop for parents was highly informative, offering tips on how to better understand and support your child's progress. Thank you for your continued support—we're looking forward to more great weeks ahead!







### Learning Activities

### **Arabic Department**

يستمر قسم اللغة العربية في التجهيز والإعداد لأبنائنا الطلبة والكشف عن قدراتهم واستعداداتهم للعام الدراسي ، وقد قام القسم بعقد اختبارات الABT لجميع المواد الوزارية وقام الطلاب بالتفاعل مع الاختبارات الإلكترونية بشكل رائع لتحقق أعلى نسبة مشاركة مقارنة بالسنوات الماضية .

عمل القسم في الأسبوعين الماضيين على تجهيز غرفة الأنشطة في قسم الطالبات لتكون مركزا لبناتنا العزيزات للاجتماع ومشاركة الأنشطة والألعاب والاطلاع على مجموعة الكتب التي يوفرها القسم كما يشارك القسم العالم الإسلامي في التجهيز والاحتفال بالمولد النبوي يوم الإثنين القادم من تجهيز البيئة المدرسية وتنظيم فقرات تعبر عن فرح الطلاب بهذه المناسبة العزيزة على قلوبنا.













### **Inclusion Department**

A two-day workshop entitled "Enhancing Students' Understanding of Inclusion" was conducted on 12-13 September. The workshop aimed to enrich students' knowledge of integration and the Inclusion Department's multifaceted aspects, featuring interactive activities to promote engagement, collaborative learning, and deeper understanding of inclusion practices.













# Learning Activities

#### **Social Worker**

From September 9th to 11th, 2024, the Social Workers launched the "Rules Are the Roadmap to Excellence!" campaign, focusing on the significance of adhering to school and social rules. Through assemblies, engaging activities, and competitions during class and break times, students were encouraged to understand how following these rules contributes to their success both academically and in their broader social interactions.







### **Library Activities**

The students engage in a variety of creative and educational activities in the library. They eagerly craft colourful shelf markers and personalized bookmarks, using markers, stickers, and stamps to add their unique touches. Other classes watched library videos such as animated stories and puppet plays. Seniors, with their rich voices and engaging storytelling techniques, enchant children with tales from the library collection of big books. This blend of hands-on creativity, multimedia exploration, and oral tradition fosters a vibrant, interactive wnvironment that nurtures learning and imagination.

The library also received new books from the Arabic department that will add on the new collection.

Students also started using Renaissance Accelerated Reader, a reading program that motivate students to read more through engaging quizzes, goal setting, and personalized recommendations.











