



BIS Newsletter

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What's On

20-24 November

All Week – Assessments – Prep & Seniors

20-Nov– World Children's Day

21-Nov – FS2 and Preparatory Weekly Parent Briefing Meeting

21-22 Nov – Nursery Parent-Teacher Meeting

22-Nov – Curriculum Meeting

22-Nov – Senior School Weekly Parent Briefing Meeting

22-Nov – Arabic Department Weekly Parent Briefing Meeting

23-Nov – Dyslexia Awareness Day

23-Nov – Gifted and Talented Meeting

23-Nov - SoD Parents Coffee Meeting

Staffing Update

Please join us in extending a heartfelt welcome to our new staff as she begins her journey at Belvedere International School.

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

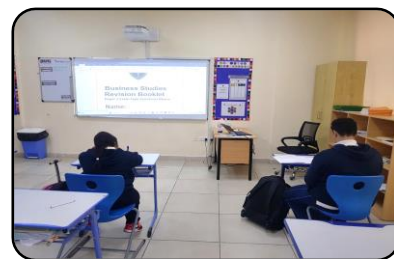
Thank you to all the parents who came to school to have the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher in our termly Parent-Teacher meetings this week. Many students in school are sitting their assessments next week. For our Senior School students, they should have benefited from the experience of another 'dry run' and should now be fully aware of the challenge ahead! I know that our staff have been active in advising on good revision practices and in ensuring that the need for consistent, quality time for revision has been clearly understood.

The winter term is always an important term of the school year. This is where everything starts and it is always a good moment to celebrate successes so far and to consider positive changes. Feedback and a voice from all stakeholders is an important part of the reflection and subsequent change that takes place across the school, from the Governors' strategic vision for the school to the welcome feedback we receive from staff, the Parents Forum and the Student Council. This helps us to develop the School Improvement Plan, with a voice for all stakeholders in the school. The great thing about institutions, such as schools such as Belvedere, is that this change takes place within the stable context of a long-held identity and brand with over 140 years of history in the UK. No institution should stand still.

Gary Wright

Extra Curricular Activities

Our main focus for this week was the senior booster classes. We provided our students with the extra support they need to succeed. We are confident that the students have gained valuable insights and strategies that will help them perform their best in exams.



**ECAs run from Mondays to Wednesday from 2:30pm to 3:15pm. To sign up for any of the possible options, please email the respective form teacher or contact Ms. Reezana: reezana@belvedereinternationalschool.com.*



Ms. Aalia Bano Yousaf
Class Teacher – FS2R

Learning Activities

Foundation Stage 2

This week, FS2 went to the Zoo! We had so much fun feeding the giraffes and looking at the animals we have been learning about in our stories.



Prep School

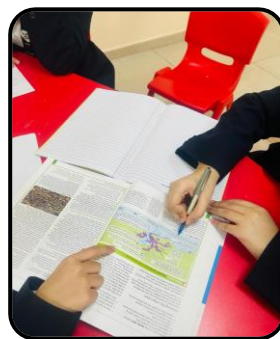
This week our main focus was to revise for the upcoming assessments. The assessments are a good indicator of what our students have learned and what their next steps will be.

Sheikha Abdulla Ali Aldhaheri from Year 2B has been inspired by a class lesson to become an author. So far she has written, illustrated and published 10 books that she has gifted Ms Juvy and the library. Well done Sheikha on living out your UAE values.



Senior School

Humanities - The students have been busy with case study analysis this week as they prepare for their end of term assessments. They are confident about identifying causes and effects of high population growth on people and on the environment. The young geographers have worked really well to analyse maps, graphs and photos and to explain why countries have inequalities.



Arabic Department

ومع اقتراب الفصل الدراسي من نهايته و دخول طلابنا الأعزاء في مرحلة التجهيز للاختبارات النهائية ، فإننا نشكر لطلابنا الأعزاء وأولياء الأمور الكرام إعداد الطلاب للتقييمات التي تسبق الاختبار وهي تقييمات القراءة والتحدث، والكتابة للمرحلة الابتدائية ، وقد رصدنا مجموعة كبيرة من مشاركة الطلاب في هذه التجهيزات ، نترككم مع الصور:



Social Work

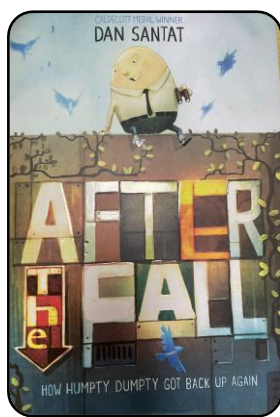
Anti-bullying Week: It was a special week to spread awareness among our students and all school members, how to make our school a bullying-free school. (Belvedere Morning Podcast) was a special morning program, which the students talked about what bullying is, types, and ways to deal with it. BIS aims to get students actively involved in the fight to put an end to bullying and promote a safe, warm environment.

Preparing for exams: We all know that exam days require more attention from us, exam anxiety may be one of the most important challenges of this time, and this requires us to train students on some strategies to reduce this anxiety so that it does not affect their performance during the exam time.



LIBRARY CORNER

Storytelling during Library class



Story of the Week:

After the Fall: How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again
By Dan Santat

Inspiring and unforgettable, this epilogue to the beloved classic nursery rhyme will encourage even the most afraid to overcome their fears, learn to get back up - and reach new heights.

Storytelling by Year



STAFF AWARD



Ms. Huoda Almelhem
Arabic and Islamic Teacher

"For being an excellent teacher."

HOUSE POINTS



5,055



5,104



4,924



5,157