



BIS Newsletter

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What's On

09-13 Oct

All month - International School Library Month

All week – Prep and Seniors School Mid-term Assessments

All week – Arabic Assessments

10-Oct – World Mental Health Day

10-Oct - FS2 and Prep Weekly Parent Briefing Meeting

11-Oct – Seniors Weekly Parent Briefing Meeting

11-Oct – Arabic Department Weekly Parent Briefing Meeting

11-Oct – Parent Coffee Morning

12-Oct – ADHD Workshop

13-Oct - Pink Ribbon Breakfast - Breast Cancer Awareness

Message from the Principal

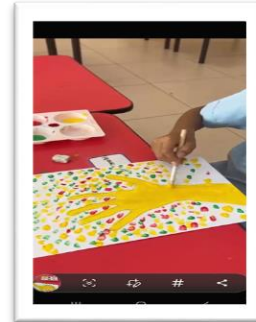
Dear Parents,

Welcome to the second edition of our school newsletter. We were delighted with the positive feedback from last week's edition. A newsletter with photos and news from around the school is much more accessible for parents and I am pleased that it has been so well received. This week we have seen a focus on reading across the school, as part of international library month and we have seen parents volunteering to help with reading. We have also seen a number of events, as detailed in the Whats On, including the fun Grandparents Day yesterday and ADHD Awareness Day. These are all testament to our students thriving in the happy, family atmosphere of the school, and becoming confident, intelligent, friendly, and polite young people ready to face the future, ever an Belvederian at heart.

Gary Wright

Extra Curricular Activities

Our ECA of the Week: PAINTING



The Painting Club has had a lot of interest from our students from various years and is constantly adding a new member or two to the club.

This ECA provides students with the freedom to express themselves artistically and create their own masterpieces. These activities help with self-awareness, interpretation of surroundings, self actualisation as well as being therapeutic.

**ECA's 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. Taylor: taylor@belvedereinternationalschool.com.*

Staffing Update

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



Ms. Dalia Mamdouh
Senior Maths Teacher



Ms. Eleonor Van Den Heever
Senior English Teacher



Mr. Walid Al Ahmad
Cover Teacher - English

Learning Activities

Foundation Stage

This week in FS2, we have been exploring our favourite books, matching objects together and talking about how to stay safe. We also celebrated our Grandparents Day event! The children came dressed as their grandparents and it was amazing to hear them talking so proudly about their loved ones.



Prep School

During Book Week in the Preparatory School, we wholeheartedly embraced a week of engaging activities to nurture our students' love for reading. They enjoyed listening to captivating stories on Monday, while Tuesday featured a dynamic reading workshop for parents. The highlight of the week was Ms. Norhan Noor's esteemed visit on Wednesday, where her inspirational storytelling left an indelible mark on our students. We take pride in fostering a culture of literacy and creativity, eagerly anticipating the literary adventures ahead.



Senior School

Design and Technology - This term, our students have enthusiastically explored structures, forces, and simple machines in Design and Technology. Through hands-on activities, they grasped the intricacies of materials under different forces and the efficiency of simple machines. Their technical drawing skills were refined as they created detailed 3D product illustrations, displaying their creativity. This term was marked by innovation, nurturing problem-solving abilities and design skills. We are immensely proud of their achievements.



Arabic Department

In celebration of the Reading Week, the school invited the author, Ms. Norhan Noor. She read a selection of her books to our students, which contain a set of morals and the values of tolerance and respect for others. Ms. Norhan generously signed all the books bought by our students. Having the opportunity to meet the book author can increase children's interest in books and will inspire future writers in BIS.



SEN

The World 'Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder' (ADHD) Day was celebrated on Wednesday, 04-Oct across the School. We aim to raise awareness about ADHD, promote understanding, empathy, and inclusivity for students with ADHD. Staff and students have shown encouragement and support by wearing Orange and actively participating in fun activities.



LIBRARY CORNER

Year 6R and Year 1G were awarded as the most outstanding class during their library visits for the month of September. Both classes showed the best behaviour in the library, and Y6 borrowed 34 books. What an outstanding readers!



Outstanding Class of the Month



Readers of the Month

Ziyad and Mualla from Year 6R were awarded as the Readers of Month for borrowing a total of 5 books in the library for the month of September.



Story of the Week: 10 Reasons to Love an Elephant



Did you know that elephants are the largest land animals in the world? Or that they live in herds headed by their grandmothers?

The children enjoyed their library visit by learning about why elephants are incredible and why they should love them.

STAFF AWARD

Ms. Ala Ibrahim
Islamic Teacher

In praise of her all around hard work in the Arabic and Islamic Department.



HOUSE POINTS



2,737



2,500



2,533



2,725