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Message from the Director

Dear BIS Community,

As this is the last newsletter for this school year, we would like to thank our parents for continuing to partner with us to ensure that our school year ended successfully. We had an awesome final full week of school here at BIS! Not many of us would argue that school year 2020-2021 was without its challenges, but as we wrap-up the year, I hope we can all agree how amazingly resilient our students, teachers, families, and community members are! I am extremely proud of our students and faculty members for all their hard work and well-earned successes this past year. On behalf of all us at BIS, I want to reiterate our gratitude for your continued support and wish you and your family good health and good spirits. Our staff spent countless hours preparing meaningful learning opportunities to support our children and to ensure that they are connected through our e-learning program. As we look ahead to next year, we will collaborate together to ensure that our Fall Reunification Plan gives our students the best opportunity possible for in-person learning while following all the safety protocols and guidelines. Thank you again and we look forward to the 2021-2022 school year and wish all of you a fantastic summer filled with family, friends and love. Remember to keep reading over the summer and stay safe!

BIS Application in App Store/Google Play

We are pleased to announce that we will be launching our new app this week. It is FREE for you to download and is part of our commitment to communicate with families by delivering the school's latest news, events, tuition fees, uniform, push notifications and much, much more. Please click [here](#) to download the app. **The app set up instructions will be sent to all parents next week.** The app can be used on smartphones and tablet devices running iOS or Android, and can be downloaded from the Apple Store and Google Play. We hope you find our new app useful.



BIS Fall Reunification Plan 2021

As communicated recently with our BIS Reunification Plan, please visit BIS website to review the [Fall Reunification Plan 2021](#). This section of the website contains information about the Fall 2021 Reunification Plan. As many of you know the Ministry of Education has authorized in-person learning for the SY 2021-2022. BIS has prepared a plan and updated our facilities to ensure that our students, faculty and community remains safe. When we draw nearer to the start of the next school year, you will have an opportunity to learning more in detail about our plan. We firmly believe the success of our school requires a true partnership between our teachers, students and families. Learning never stops!



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BIS Grade 12 Promenade & Virtual Graduation Ceremony for the Class of 2021

BIS celebrated the seniors promenade for the class of 2021 on Tuesday, 25 May 2021. The students were excited and the air was full of exuberant energy. We also celebrated a virtual graduation via Zoom on Monday, 31 May 2021. The students and their families were excited to see everyone via Zoom and excited to celebrate their accomplishments despite the global pandemic. Seeing everyone's joyful smiles was a great visual reminder of how wonderful and special the class of 2021 is. Congratulations to the class of 2021! We wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.



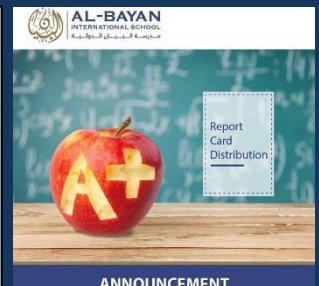
KG2 & Grade 5 Drive-by & Virtual Promotion for SY 2020 -2021

KG2 & Grade 5 students celebrated the end of their time in Kindergarten & Grade 5 during their drive-by and virtual promotion ceremony on Wednesday, 2 June 2021 with family and teachers who joined in celebrating this important milestone. It was a wonderful event, complete with songs and performances via Zoom. KG2 students are off to first grade and Grade 5 are ready to Middle School and they are well prepared! Congratulations and wishing them all a great future!



Report Cards Distribution & Tutorial Videos to view Report Cards on PowerSchool

Kindly note that the distribution of Report Cards for students will take place on Sunday, June 6th, 2021 from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Reports not picked up during this time will be stored in school, for collection after the 22nd of August 2021. Report Cards will be available on PowerSchool as well. Please view the video tutorials in English and Arabic that show how to check report cards on PowerSchool. Click [here](#) to view the tutorial videos in English and Arabic.



BIS Uniform Center

Uniforms can only be purchased online, through the Uniform Center online portal. Uniform center is located at BBS campus on Beirut Street, near gate 6 which is open on Saturdays from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm and on Tuesdays from 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm for store pick up and exchange only. Please click [here](#) to purchase uniform online.

Dates to Remember

June 6 – August 30: Summer holiday for students.
June 6: Report Cards Distribution.
July 19: Eid Al-Adha.
August 17: BIS offices will open.
August 22-30: Pre-Service Days.
August 31: First day for MS/HS; ES Orientation.
September 1: First day for ES.
September 5: First day for Kindergarten.