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# **DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

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# Farewell to our Principal, Mr. Kandas Botha

We wanted to take a moment to inform you that Mr. Kandas Botha will be departing BIS at the end of this year. Mr. Kandas has served as Principal at BIS for three years and played an integral part in the opening of our new program and ensuring that we have a solid foundation moving forward. He has modeled the BIS values and habits through his leadership and commitment to continuous improvement and growth. We are thankful for his dedication, commitment and service to BIS. We are very sad to see him depart, but wish him nothing but success and enjoyment as he returns back to South Africa to lead a school back home. Thank you for everything Mr. Kandas!

## Seniors Virtual Graduation

Due to the current circumstances in Kuwait and around the world, BIS is planning a virtual graduation celebration on Zoom. Seniors and their parents are invited to the "watch party"! This way we can still celebrate our seniors online from the comfort and safety of our own homes. Additionally, we hope to carry out our original graduation plans in the fall, if circumstances allow. The watch party will take place on **May 20, 2020 at 9:30 pm**. The invitations with the link to enter the event have been sent today via email to all seniors' parents. Please note that only parents and students are invited, due to internet stability. The presentation will later be shared with all seniors so that their other family and friends can watch. Let's celebrate the Al-Bayan International School Class of 2020!



#### The Updated Calendar for SY 20-21

Please click <u>here</u> to view the BIS updated calendar for SY 20-21.

#### The End of School is Near

As we approach the end of this year, we would like to extend a huge thank you to our incredible school community, parents, teachers, students and support staff for your understanding and support during this unprecedented time. Parents, please continue to communicate with your child's teachers with regards to their missing assignments. Our teachers have been diligently to ensure that every child is receiving the best learning experience possible. We wish you and your family good health and stay safe!

# KG2 Virtual Promotion Ceremony

Each year we celebrate the completion of KG2 with a promotion ceremony. This year is no exception, the KG2 Virtual Promotion Ceremony will be taking place on **Tuesday**, **12 May 2020 at 1:00 pm**. Parents and students will be invited privately to celebrate the success of our scholars. We look forward to celebrating your child's success with you!

## Dates to Remember

May 12: Last day of e-learning live sessions.

KG2 Virtual Promotion Ceremony at 1:00 pm.

- May 17: Last day of e-learning late work submission by 11:00 am.
- May 19: Reports Cards available via PowerSchool.
- May 20: Seniors Virtual Graduation at 9:30 pm.
- May 21: Last day for teachers and support staff.
- August 3: First day for staff involved in Intensive Program.
- August 4: First day for students involved in Intensive Program.

**Mission Statement**: Al-Bayan International School personalizes learning to achieve intellectual and individual growth of all students, empowering them to impact their community.

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