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Principal Message



Dear BIS Families,

Ramadan Kareem!

I hope you and your families had a restful Spring Break! One of the things that I love best is learning, including learning about places and customs that are new to me. Over Spring Break I was fortunate to travel to Egypt with my wife. It was truly amazing to see things that I've only seen in books and television. The scale of the temples, statues and pyramids is simply astounding.

During the Holy Month of Ramadan, student hours at school are changed as per Ministry instructions. I understand that traffic is very challenging - both for morning arrival and afternoon dismissal. I also know many parents wait quite a long time for dismissal. Thank-you for your patience, which is gratefully appreciated. I noted that on Wednesday, the great majority of students were dismissed and on their way home 11 minutes after the dismissal bell. For your convenience, timings are included in this newsletter.

This month students will participate in MAP testing which will provide an overall picture of student growth in key areas of Literacy and Mathematics. I am looking forward to seeing their results and how much they've grown!

Yours in Learning,

Mr. Sven



Our new **Scholastic Book Club is up and running!** Go to https://world-schools.scholastic.co.uk/bayan-international-school/digital-book-club to browse the latest books and order online. For **every $1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 20¢** in Scholastic Rewards. Please place your **order online by April 14th, 2022**.

KG/ES Ramadan Schedule	
9:25-9:30	Arrival
9:30-9:40	Homeroom
9:45-10:20	Period **1** OR **5**
10:25-11:00	Period **2** OR **6**
11:00-11:20	Break
11:25-12:00	Period **3** OR **7**
12:05-12:40	Period **4** OR **8**
12:40	KG dismissal
12:45-1:20	Period **10** OR **9**
1:20-1:30	ES dismissal



Dates to Remember: April



- **April 18** Grades 1-2 MAP Reading Test
- **April 20** Grades 1-2 MAP Math Test
- **April 17** Grades 3-5 MAP Reading Test
- **April 19** Grades 3-5 MAP Language Test
- **April 21** Grades 3-5 MAP Math Test

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Bedtime Stories

Bedtime stories are jewels for language learning and building reading skills.



A wonderful routine is the habit of reading bedtime stories. Not only little ones can enjoy and learn but also older children still love reading and sharing stories. Reading together exposes children to a great model of fluent reading. You can read the story all by yourself or have younger ones fill in the words they know. Also, you can have your child repeat each sentence or page after you. This removes the stress factor of having to decode the words and helps them use fluency. Once your child is getting better you can alternate pages and do "me one page" and "you one page". A fun thing to do is simultaneous reading where you both read together. There are many different ways to read stories. Reading stories also exposes your child to new vocabulary words which you can explain. Stories can lead to discussions and reflections. Think about how the story refers to something your child has done or experienced. These are wonderful opportunities for "TALK". Talking and reading build language!! But let's not forget the social connections. Nothing goes above a good time spent together with your child. Have fun!!

By SLP MS. Nicole

Service Learning Week featured in the Arab Times

During the week of March 13th the elementary students celebrated Service Learning Week. This included activities such as writing Thank You cards to people who serve the community and participating in a clean up challenge. We're happy to note that the elementary department's efforts were recognized in the Arab Times!! You can find the article at arabtimesonline.

We want to give a special thank you to elementary students and staff for organizing and participating in Service Learning Week.



What's On

Learning doesn't end with the last bell at BIS

Al-Bayan Int'l School marks second annual Service Learning Week

Students showcase their talent, creativity and hard work

Kuwait English School revives art in 2022 Annual Exhibition

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BIS PTA

Volunteer Opportunity

The BIS PTA seeks an enthusiastic & committed parent to help them support & serve the school community as PTA Vice-President. This is an excellent opportunity for parents that desire to play a larger part in their child's experience at BIS.

Details are available at bis.edu.kw
Interested candidates can email ali.williamson@bis.edu.kw

ANNOUNCEMENT



BIS Reception

Please welcome Ms. Alyaa Soubh our new receptionist. She is happy to answer your calls on ext. 8000.



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BIS Uniform Center

*The Uniform Center will be open in Ramadan only on **Saturdays** from **10:00am to 3:00pm**.*

Located at the BBS campus.

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