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KG/ES Bi-WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Assistant Principal Message

Dear BIS Families,

As we settle into the rhythm of the new school year, it brings me great joy to share some highlights from our first two weeks together. In our first week we had a very important event for school: our first ES assembly. The purpose of the assembly was to help students continue to learn our **School Rules**, our **5 Step Problem Solving Process** and our **Student Motto**.



Our dedicated faculty and staff have been hard at work, ensuring a smooth transition for both returning students and those who have joined our school community for the first time. It's heartwarming to witness the enthusiasm and determination exhibited by our students as they embrace new challenges and opportunities.

As we continue this journey of learning and growth, I'd like to remind you of our upcoming Open House on September 18th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This event provides an excellent opportunity for you to meet your child's teachers, explore our classrooms, and gain valuable insights into our curriculum and extracurricular offerings. We encourage all parents and students to attend and engage in this enriching experience.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Open House!

Yours in learning,
Ms. Akiela

Student Motto: Be Safe, Show Respect, Work Hard, Finish Strong, Be You!

Arrival & Dismissal



Please keep in mind that the morning arrival time is from **7 to 7:15 AM** for all students.

Grade 3-5 students use Gate 1. At 2:10 PM parents will be able to enter the school and meet their child in the main foyer area. Students will not be dismissed during the last half-hour of instruction (after 1:40 PM) unless pre-arranged.

For dismissal, Grade 1-2 students generally use Gate 1, but can also use Gate 4 as this is closest to where they line up. Students will not be dismissed during the last half-hour of instruction (after 1:40 PM) unless pre-arranged.

KG students use Gate 4. Students are dismissed directly from their classrooms to a parent/caregiver at 12:30 PM. Students will not be dismissed during the last half-hour of instruction (after 12:00 PM) unless pre-arranged.



BIS School Calendar SY 23/24

Dates to Remember: Sept . & Oct.



Sept.17-19	Book Fair (See page 3 for more details)
Sept. 18	Open House 6 - 8 PM
Sept. 14	KG Red Day
Sept. 21	KG Green Day
Sept. 27	KG Blue Day
Sept. 28	No-School / Prophet's Birthday (PBUH)
Oct. 5	Pastries with Principals (All School Levels)
Oct. 10	Early Release/PD Day Dismissal at 11:40 am
Oct. 26 - 29	Fall Break

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BIS Clinic Message

We have received many health forms and we appreciate your attention to this. If you have not yet sent in your forms, please do so as soon as possible. It is important for us to have the most up to date information in order to provide the safest care possible to your children. They can be returned to the homeroom, reception or to the clinic.

In the next few weeks we will be sending out Vaccination Consent forms for parents of Students in Grades 5 and 12 as well as the girls in grade 6. We do not have a date for the vaccinations but want to have the forms back as soon as possible so we are ready. We do not get a lot of notice when they come to do the vaccinations.

Please see below for the criteria for sending students who are ill home:

- A temperature of 38 degrees Celsius.
  - Students that are sent home due to fever must remain home until 24 hours post the last fever without the use of fever reducing medications.
- Any child with a fever accompanied by a rash will be sent home.
- Fever Blisters.
  - any student who has open blisters or mouth sores, should be sent home and should not return until lesions/blisters are dry.
- A cold accompanied by sneezing, runny nose, coughing, congestion.
- Vomiting - large amounts or frequent small amounts, frank blood in vomitus occurring after a fall necessitates an emergency and proper action will be taken by school nurse and staff
- Loose watery stools or diarrhea
- Seizures of a significant magnitude or frequency that inhibits or interferes with the ability to continue with the school program.
  - all students at the school with known seizure disorder have an active seizure policy on file.
- Contagious disease that is not under treatment or a non-specific rash (chicken pox, shingles, scabies, lice etc.) Impetigo and ringworm are allowed in school if under medical treatment and the student allows the site to be covered.
  - Students who have been treated for lice must come to the clinic for a check before returning to class.
  - Students with Chicken Pox cannot return until all lesions are dried.
- Students with symptoms of conjunctivitis (pink eye) - red eye, discharge from eye, crusting
  - Students sent home with these symptoms require clearance from the doctor that they are not contagious before returning to class.
- Other medical concerns (pneumonia, persistent coughing with copious amounts of thick yellow/green sputum or any other distress).
- Post-surgical students or students that have been hospitalized or been to the ER can return to school upon written order from the doctor.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us.
Email: bisnurses@bis.edu.kw

Thank you,

Nurse Heba and Nurse Kathy



SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Uniforms can only be purchased online by **clicking here.** The Uniform Center will **only be opened** for fitting sizes and **exchange**. The regular working timings are as the following:



- Saturdays: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- Tuesdays: 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Parent Support

For any PowerSchool/Schoology support please reach out our ETM System Administrator thru ahmed.mohamed@bis.edu.kw

- KG1 & KG2 Bell Schedule SY 23/24
- Gr 1-5 Bell Schedule SY 23/24
- KG1-Gr 5 Early Release Schedule SY 23/24



KG/ES Student and Family Forms



The KG/ES student and family forms are attached and must be signed and returned to BIS Reception by Sunday, September 17, 2023.

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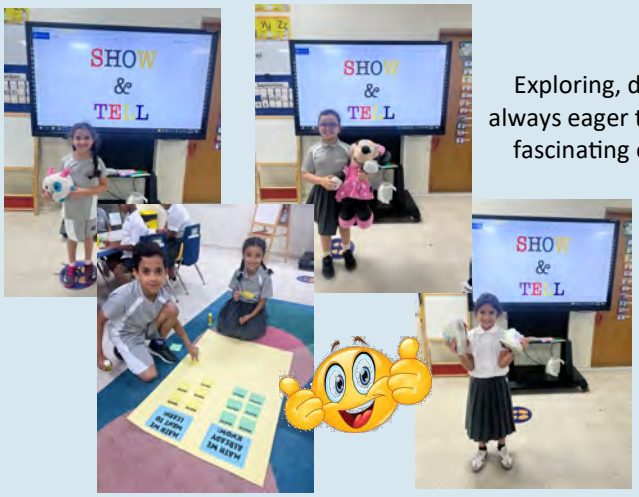
From 17-19 September, students will have the opportunity to participate in the Little Bees Book Fair at school. Students will have time during the school day to browse and shop the wonderful selection of books presented by Little Bees.

Students are encouraged to bring money for 17-19 September to purchase books. Alternatively, an online pay link will also be available for parents to be able to make direct payments. If you wish to pay online, please complete the form below and have, it returned to your student's homeroom teacher so your child can participate in the Book Fair.

If you would like to visit the Book Fair with your child, it will be opened for parents and guardians from 2:15 pm until open house from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm on September 18 at the CO MPR.

The school will benefit from any sales made in the form of books to be donated to the school library. Thank you for supporting this wonderful tradition at Al-Bayan International School.

WE LEARN!



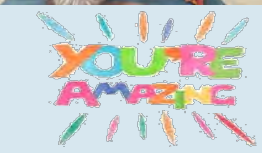
Exploring, discovering, growing together! Our students are always eager to dive into their lessons. Whether it's conducting fascinating experiments, having fun in math or letting their creativity soar in art class, our students are always engaged, making each day a new adventure in learning.











Counselor's Corner

Welcome back! It's that time of the year again! Kids can have a tough time making the back-to-school transition. As with any new or unsettling situation like starting school for the first time, or entering a new grade or new school, give kids time to adjust and consider the tips below, which we hope you find helpful.

How to help your child feel less anxious about going back to school:

- Set a routine when preparing for back to school
- Acknowledge your child's anxiety
- Listen carefully and actively when kids express anxiety about going back to school
- Validate your child's concerns and use supportive words. For example, you can try saying, "You may feel nervous or scared about going to school, and that's OK. You can get through it, and I'm here to help."
- Do not pass on stress to your kids
- Remind your child of any previous situation that led to feelings of anxiousness in the beginning, and then things turned out well.
- Reach out to friends who may be in the same class and set up playdates to help ease worries.
- Let your child know that the end of summer doesn't mean the end of fun. Plan a few upcoming weekend activities with summer friends or family in the first few weeks of school.

Thank you!
Ms. Jana



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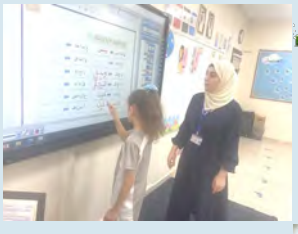














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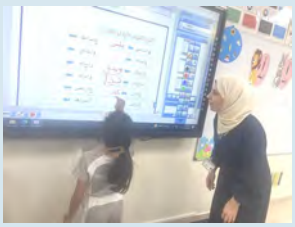
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