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MS/HS Bi-Weekly Newsletter

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Principal Message:

Dear Parents,

I hope this letter finds you well. This week we would like to inform you about our policy on retakes for the current academic year. While we hope our students will not have need of this system, it is essential that everyone is familiar with it, so there is consistency in the awarding of grades.

1. **Frequency of Retakes:** There will be the opportunity to retake one summative assessment per semester. Summative assessments consist of tests, projects, presentations and essays but do not include quizzes.
2. **Designated Weeks:** The retakes will take place in a designated week with a different subject each day.

Semester 1 Retake Week				
Sun 26th Nov	Mon 27th Nov	Tues 28th Nov	Wed 29th Nov	Thurs 30th Nov
English	Social Studies	Science	Math	Other

Semester 2 Retake Week: *Grade 12*				
Sun 28th April	Mon 29th April	Tues 30th April	Wed 1st May	Thurs 2nd May
English	Social Studies	Science	Math	Other

Semester 2 Retake Week: *Grade 6-11*				
Sun 26th May	Mon 27th May	Tues 28th May	Wed 29th May	Thurs 30th May
English	Social Studies	Science	Math	Other



3. **Targeted Students:** The retakes will be exclusively for students who are failing overall in their course. This means students could fail an individual assessment but not complete a retake as overall they are passing their course.
4. **Assigning Retakes:** The teacher will choose which summative assessment a student will take based on which assessment will give them the best opportunity to reach a passing grade.
5. **Reflection Task:** Additionally, at the teachers' discretion, each semester a reflection task for one of the summative assessments may also be offered. In class the student will complete a reflection task to show they have understood how they could have improved their grade in the assessment. Again this is for students who are failing a course overall.
6. **Maximum Increase:** Whether through a retake of a summative assessment or a reflection task, the maximum increase a student can secure through either means is to move their overall grade from a fail to a pass (60%).
7. **Absence**: If a student has an excused absence they will be allowed to retake any assessment as long as their official medical leave note is returned within two school days of the absence. If the note comes into school later than this time period, then the opportunity for a retake will be at the discretion of the teacher.

This system has been shared with students and we trust it is clear and seems fair for everyone. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this system, please feel free to reach out to the respective subject teachers or the school administration.

Thank you for your continued partnership in supporting the progress of your children.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Matt , MS/HS Principal

Today, Thurs. Oct.12 Student council distributed Pink Ribbons to all students and staff.



Parent Support: For any support with PowerSchool or Schoology, please contact: Mr. Ahmed | ETM System Administrator
ahmed.mohamed@bis.edu.kw

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Note from Clinic:

Greetings from the Clinic!

The consent forms for the vaccinations for grades 5 and 12 and grade 6 girls have gone out. Please return them as soon as possible. We do not know when they will be coming and we do not get a lot of notice, so we need the forms back quickly. Vaccinations are an important part of the overall preventative health for your children. However, if you are not consenting to the vaccination, we need a "no" and a signature on the form. If you have any questions at all, do not hesitate to call the clinic and speak to one of the nurses.

We need your help to ensure students are bringing healthy lunches to school. We are trying to be a soda and energy drink free campus. Milk or 100% juice are healthy options for lunches. Packing fruit and vegetables will ensure that the kids are getting a healthy lunch to fuel their brains. We have also noticed that many students have carbohydrates in their lunches but are lacking in protein. Carbohydrate and protein together are the best way to fuel young brains for learning.

Here are some healthy, balanced ideas for lunch:

⇒ Tortilla rolled with turkey, spinach and labneh, a banana and water
⇒ Pita bread, hummus and fresh vegetables, yogurt, an orange and water
⇒ Chicken and rice with vegetables, yogurt and 100% fruit juice
⇒ Oatmeal muffin, cheese, carrot sticks, an apple and water
⇒ Salad with tuna, crackers, a pear and milk

Email: bisnurses@bis.edu.kw or Ms. Heba ext. 8049, Ms. Kathy ext. 8019

Thank you,

Ms. Heba and Ms. Kathy

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اليوم : - السبت / التاريخ : 18 نوفمبر 2023
المكان : مبنى الجمعية الثقافية النسائية – الخالدية – ق 2 – ش 28

للتسجيل يرجى الضغط على اللنك .

مرفق جدول الملتقى والمحاور.

KALD
الجمعية الكويتية لاختلافات التعلم
Kuwaiti Association for Learning Differences

Dates to Remember & Important Notes:

Gate 2 open at 7:00 am. School starts at 7:15 am. After 7:30am students will be counted as absent unexcused.
Thursday, Oct. 19 MS/HS International Day, MS performances at 9:10 am, HS performances at 10:20 am. Email was sent to parents on Mon. Oct. 9
Thursday - Sunday, Oct. 26 -29 Mid Semester Holiday. School resumes on Monday, Oct. 30 Normal school hours.
Wednesday, Nov. 1 School Picture.
Monday, Nov. 6 Progress Report sent home.
Tuesday, Wednesday &Thursday, Nov. 7,8,9 Early Release @11:40 AM. PTC from 12:30 pm- 4:30 PM. More details to come.
Tuesday, Nov.21 Student Early Release @11:40 AM, Staff PD Day.
Attached Arabic/Islamic quizzes schedule, Invitation from KALD to parents, Photo Day letter.
You are requested to check Schoology weekly for any *important information,* as well as keep up to date on any assessments and homework for the week.
The Quarter 1 "marks cut-off" is October 23rd. We have a marks cut-off in order to finalize marks and comments for the quarter, as well providing time for printing and preparing the reports.

The BIS updated calendar 2023- 2024 has been posted on our website and can be accessed by visiting Calendar SY 23-24.

Pink Day:

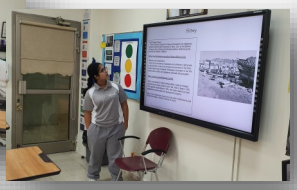
October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. BIS encouraged students and staff to wear their pink ribbons this month and take part in our annual Pink Day Fundraiser.
Pink Day was today, Thursday, Oct. 12. All Students donated a minimum of 1KD for free dress day and an ice cream to support the cause. MS students brought cupcakes and doughnuts and sold during the break time to donate the money to Al-Sidra Foundation.

Uniform Center:

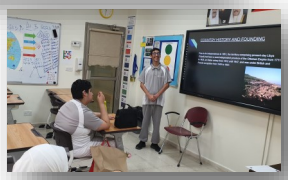
Uniforms can only be purchased online by **clicking here**. The Uniform Center will **only be opened** for fitting sizes and **exchange**. The regular working timings are as the following:
- Saturdays: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- Tuesdays: 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm

All students must be in uniform at school.

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Grade 8 learning about Arab countries and their political history with Ms. Jamila.



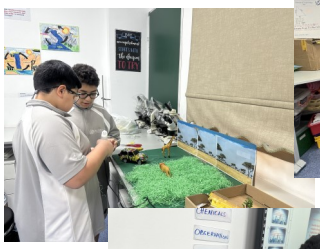




The bake sale for Breast Cancer Awareness was very successful today. It was arranged by BIS Student Council.

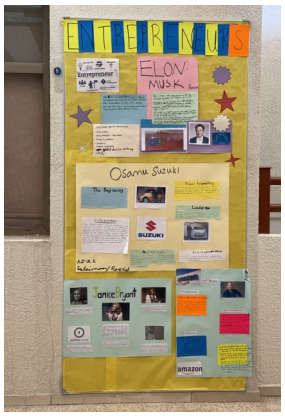








Grade 6 students designing Ecosystems and food chains with Mr. Adeola.



Business Class project with Ms. Bassant.

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Click here for MS Bell Schedule SY 23-24

BELL SCHEDULE

Click here for HS Bell Schedule SY 23-24

Click here for Early Release Schedule MS/HS SY23-24

Students Activities :

⇒ Run Kuwait is happening again. It will be at Murouj on the 11th of November. Click on the website to register for Run Kuwait.



Communication:

Please welcome Ms. Afaf who joined BIS front desk.
If you need to meet any teacher, Mr. Rob, or Dr. Matt, we are always happy to speak with you. However, unless there is an emergency, please make an appointment.

Please contact BIS 22052822 on ext. 8000 Ms. Alyaa /8040 Ms. Afaf.



Important note:

Please note that students are ***not allowed to receive food orders in school except by prior arrangement with Administration.***

Food orders that are sent to school will be returned to the provider.

Your cooperation with this is much appreciated.

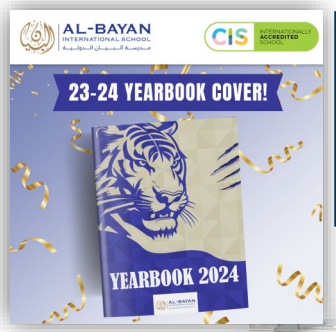








Gr 10 and 11 lab activity with Ms. Rose Mary



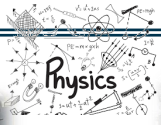
We have a winner for the Year Book Design Competition. Congratulations to option 3.



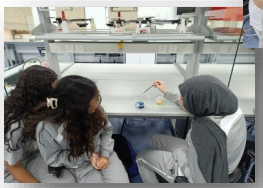




Grade 12 students were measuring the distance travelled by three balls when released on a slope in a certain amount of time to calculate each of their average speeds.



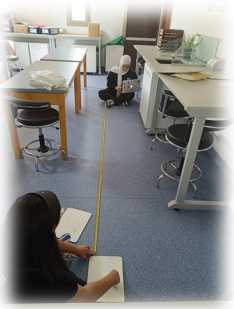












Grade 9 students were testing the polarity of food coloring and oil by determining the type of mixture formed when each was mixed with water.

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