



## UPCOMING EVENTS

BIST CALENDAR

### ● March

- 16th - U16 Girls Volleyball Tournament
- 20th - School Photos (Primary Class & missing students)
- 21st - Nowruz events @ BIST
- 21st - Secondary PSHE Drop Down Day
- 21st - EYKS1 Sports Day
- 22nd & 23rd - Black Sea Games (KS3) @ BIST
- 23rd - Spring Dance (Y10-13)
- 22nd - Year 11-13 Summative Reports published
- 26th - Alice in Wonderland KS2 show (1730)
- 27th - Secondary Sports Day
- 27th - Alice in Wonderland KS2 show (1330)
- 28th - KS2 Sports Day
- 28th - EYKS1 Easter Egg Hunt
- 28th - Last Day of Term 2
- 29th - Start of Easter Holiday

## Date Changes

Already changed on our website calendar, but we need to notify you about two event date changes. The EYKS1 sports day is moving to Thursday 21st March; this is due to the Sports Hall being needed on the previously advertised date for the KS2 Alice in Wonderland production and the need for an inclement weather alternative for the sports day. The University Guidance evening for Y10-12 parents is being moved to 10th April in the afternoon.

## Attendance Reports

This Friday we will be publishing the attendance reports for the school year up to 7th March. Please speak to classteachers or mentors if you have any questions about this.

**RAMADAN MUBARAK**

### Dear Parents

We hope all parents and students had a suitably restful long weekend and were able to celebrate International Women's Day and, if you are from a Commonwealth country, Mother's Day. We also extend our greetings to our Islamic community for Eid Mubarak. International Women's Day was celebrated at school on Wednesday and the highlight of this was the displays created by our students to celebrate a famous and/or inspirational woman. There were some fantastic displays across the school and a competition was run to see who had the best displays. The winners were as follows: for EYKS1 - Y2H (Helen Keller), KS2 - Y3B (Frida Kahlo), KS3 - Y7A (Maya Angelou) and KS4/5 - the Sixth Form (Mary Wollstonecraft).

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## Volleyball



Our senior girls and boys teams are participating in a BIST-hosted tournament on Saturday. We wish them well. Parents are welcome to attend and support the teams.

## Black Sea Schools Creative Writing

This year's Black Sea Schools Creative Writing competition saw 20 entries across three age categories, under 11s, 11 to 14s and 15+, from 6 schools in the region. First place in the under 11s went to a student at the International British School of Bucharest and the winner in the 15+ category was a student at Royal School Transylvania. BIST won the 11 to 14 age group with an entry from Tristan in Year 8Z. Well done to Tristan and all the other BIST students who participated.



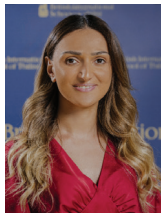
## Alice In Wonderland



Our Key Stage 2 show, Alice in Wonderland, runs for two performances on 26th (5.30pm) and 27th (1.30pm) March. Tickets are now available via our Online [Booking System](#).

## Goodbye Ms. Sophie

This Friday we say a fond farewell, a temporary goodbye and all our best wishes to Ms. Sophie, Principal's PA, Exams Officer and Administration team member, as she heads off on maternity leave. I am sure you will all wish her well. Ms. Sophie will return to BIST in October.



## House Points



**4351 POINTS**



**4203 POINTS**



**4319 POINTS**



**3482 POINTS**

## Treeplanting Day

Our annual Treeplanting Day is on 12th April. Over the lifetime of this project, we have planted over 800 trees. This year we would like to get over the magic 1000 mark. Students, parents and staff can purchase a tree by bringing 30 GEL either to the school office or their classteacher/mentor (in an envelope with the purchaser's name on it). We will then order the correct number of trees and the tree's 'owner' will get to plant it at Lisi Lake (just beyond the gate nearest school). Please help us get beyond 1000!



## Museum of Illusions

On Tuesday, Years 5A and 5H attended the Museum of Illusions as part of their 'Forces' IPC unit. The museum is full of visual and sensory activities for students to participate in. Popular exhibitions included the Anti-Gravity room and the Kaleidoscope. The vortex tunnel was also a huge hit! Both classes had fun and thoroughly enjoyed their trip.



## School Photos

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## PCA Charitable Donation

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Vice Principal & Head of Primary

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13th March, 2024