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"There is always something to look at if you open your eyes." DR. WHO

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## 🔶 April

**BIST CALENDAR** 

25th - UK Maths Trust Junior Challenge 26th-27th - Senior boys volleyball away @QSI 27th - Last day of 'normal' lessons for Y11-13 29th - Start of Cambridge exams study leave 29th-30th - Y10 Overnight trip 30th - Senior Girls volleyball away @QSI 1st - PCA Committee Meeting 0830 1st-2nd - International Award Bronze Practice 3rd - School Closed for Orthodox Easter 6th - School Closed for Orthodox Easter 7th-8th - Y4B Bazaleti Lake overnight adventure 9th - School Closed for Victory Day 13th-17th - Y2-6 GL Progress Test Week 17th - Secondary PSHE Drop Down Day 20th-21st - International Award Bronze Qualifying 22nd - Parents Coffee Morning - 0830 24th - School Closed for Half Term Weekend 27th - School Closed for Half Term Weekend 28th-31st - Y7-10 GL Progress Test and Summer Assessment Week 29th-31st - International Award Silver Practice 29th-31st - Y6 Lagodekhi Adventure 30th-31st - Y3W Tskneti Adventure 31st - Y2 Botanical Gardens visit 1st-2nd - World Scholars Cup (hosted by BGA) 5th - Primary Interhouse Swimming Gala 5th - PCA Committee Meeting 6th-7th - Y3B Tskneti Adventure

6th-7th - Y5 Orbeti Adventure 7th - Socceraid Dav 10th-28th - Bridging Course for Y11 and Y12 12th - Parent Class Reps meeting 12th - Evening of the Arts 14th - Primary Student and Parent Summer Picnic 19th - Community Outreach Sports Day 19th-21st - International Award Silver Qualifying Expedition 20th - Foundation Graduation 21st - End of Year and GL testing reports pub-22nd - PCA Car Boot Sale 24th & 25th - F1 to Y10 Parent Teacher Confer-25th - PCA Committee Meeting 26th - Sing Up recording day 26th - BIST Sportspersons' Award Dinner 28th - End of Year Assembly

# **DEAR PARENTS**

Our season of overnight trips commenced last weekend with the departure of our Spanish language trip to Madrid. The group have arrived safely and are enjoying their mixture of interactive Spanish lessons and cultural activities. Next week, our Year 10 students visit Lopota Lake, our Bronze International Award students embark on their practice expedition and Year 4D head off to Bazaleti Lake. We also have day trips today and tomorrow for our Duke Award students in primary who will visit a plant nursery.

### **SPORTS NEWS**

Last week, BIST seniors played BGA and the German School at football. After a 5-5 draw against BGA, the BIST team unfortunately lost on penalties. The team also lost 4-2 to the German team. On Monday, the Senior Boys played Volleyball against QSI, and although a strong first team confidently won the first set, QSI did eventually win 2-1. This was good practice for the tournament they are in this coming Friday and Saturday.





## MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA

Today, after school, we have our Musical Extravaganza miscellany. During this event our choir and students who have peripatetic music lessons will showcase their talents to peers, parents and staff in the theatre.



#### **UK MATHS TRUST**

Tomorrow, a number of our Year 7 and 8 students will sit the UKMT's Junior Maths Challenge. This is a UK competition on Maths with thousands of students taking part in the UK and at British schools around the world

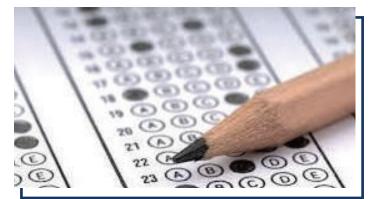
### **STAFFING NEWS**

This week Ms. Kesten, one of our Secondary teachers, has started her maternity leave. Her lessons will be covered by other English teachers. We wish Ms. Kesten well with the forthcoming birth.



#### **EXAMS AND STUDY LEAVE**

This Friday sees the last day of normal lessons for our Year 11-13 students as the IGCSE, AS and A Level examinations commence in full next week. During the study leave period, lessons continue until the date of the last exam in any given subject, with teachers available to support students in their preparation and revision at the normal lesson times. In June our Year 11 and Year 12 students return to school for the 3 week Bridging Course where they prepare for life in Year 12 and Year 13 and for university application.

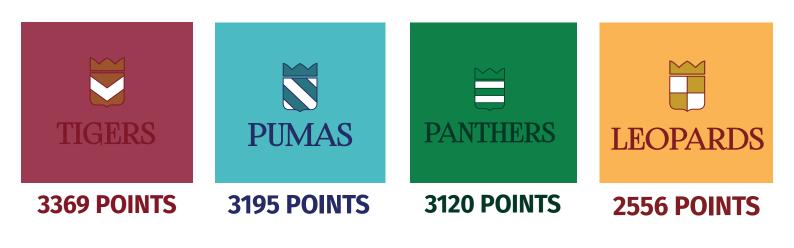


# PRIMARY SCHOOL PROGRESS AWARD CERTIFICATES

Last Friday, our Primary teachers awarded students for the progress they have made in recent weeks.

# **Primary School Being Green Award Winners**

Foundation 1	Daniel, Shiqi	Year 3W	Ivan, Sofya
Foundation 2P	Amy, Samar	Year 4B	Imran, Robert
Foundation 2S	Liliana, Mira	Year 4D	Hyunmin, Michael
Year 1T	Avishag, Moyi	Year 5A	Iren, Janna
Year 1W	Ellie, Neo	Year 5H	Misha O, Nastia
Year 2H	Haesol, Sofia	Year 6R	Matthew, Nice
Year 2K	Samat, Teona	Year 6V	Emma, Lev
Year 3B	Aoyi, Ivan	Congratulations to all our winners!	



**Mr. Stephen Priest** Principal

Ms. Alexandra Backhouse Vice Principal & Head of Primary

Mr. Adam Whybro Head of Secondary Mr. Alex Timmis EYKS1 Coordinator

Mr. Simon Rooney KS2 Coordinator

Ms. Christelle van Heerden KS3 Coordinator Ms. Zoe Abbott KS4 Coordinator

Mr. Les Pemberton Head of Sixth Form

Ms. Tumika Sthapit Head of Administration **Ms. Sophie Kasrashvili** PA to the Principal

Ms. Tamuna Skhiereli Office & Resource Manager

Ms. Tata Petashvili Secondary Office Manager 24th April, 2024

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