



"The mistake is to think that clever technology can solve everything, but it can't solve our relationship with nature, which is where I think it's gone wrong in that we have somehow abandoned our proper connection with nature."

KING CHARLES III

UPCOMING EVENTS

BIST CALENDAR

◆ May

- 13th-17th - Y2-6 GL Progress Test Week
- 16th-17th - Y1&2 Overnight Adventure
- 17th - Museum Day
- 17th - Secondary PSHE Drop Down Day
- 17th-18th - Black Sea Schools Football Tournament
- 20th-21st - International Award Bronze Qualifying Expedition
- 22nd - Parents Coffee Morning - 0830
- 22nd - Y10 Geography fieldwork
- 24th - School Closed for Half Term Weekend
- 27th - School Closed for Half Term Weekend
- 28th - Y5 & 6 Lisi Village visit
- 28th-31st - Y7-10 GL Progress Test and Summer Assessment Week
- 29th-31st - International Award Silver Practice Expedition
- 29th-31st - Y6 Lagodekhi Adventure
- 30th-31st - Y3W Tskneti Adventure
- 31st - Y2 Botanical Gardens visit

◆ June

- 1st-2nd - World Scholars Cup (hosted by BGA)
- 3rd-4th - Y8 Aragvi Overnight Adventure
- 5th - Primary Interhouse Swimming Gala
- 5th - PCA Committee Meeting
- 5th-6th - Y9 Aragvi Overnight Adventure
- 6th-7th - Y3B Tskneti Adventure
- 6th-7th - Y5 Orbeti Adventure
- 7th - Socceraid Day
- 10th - Y6V Transition to Y7 Day
- 10th-14th - Enterprise Week
- 10th-28th - Bridging Course for Y11 and Y12
- 11th - Y6R Transition to Y7 Day
- 12th - Parent Class Reps meeting
- 12th - Evening of the Arts
- 13th - Last day of Cambridge exams
- 13th-14th - Y7 Aragvi Overnight Adventure
- 14th - Primary Student and Parent Summer Picnic
- 15th - PCA Car Boot Sale
- 19th - Parents Coffee Morning
- 19th - Community Outreach Sports Day

- 19th-21st - International Award Silver Qualifying Expedition
- 20th - Foundation Graduation
- 20th - Graduation Ceremony for Year 13
- 21st - Pirosmeni Day
- 21st - End of Year and GL testing reports published
- 24th & 25th - F1 to Y10 Parent Teacher Conferences
- 25th - PCA Committee Meeting
- 26th - Sing Up recording day
- 26th - BIST Sportspersons' Award Dinner
- 28th - End of Year Assembly
- 28th - Last day of the school year

DEAR PARENTS

The newsletter is back! After a week without one during our three day Easter Monday and Victory Day week, we are back in school for a full five days this week. We do hope that everyone enjoyed their holiday days. Over the last two weeks a number of successful trips took place. Both Year 4 classes enjoyed visits to Bazaleti Lake for an overnight stay, our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's International Award students successfully navigated their practice journey (and their qualifying expedition in Manglisi is coming up next week), and Year 10 students visited the National Museum to support their studies in Georgian. Coming up this week and next are the Year 1 and 2 overnight adventure here at school and the Year 10 Geography rivers study fieldwork.



HANDBALL STARS!

Our Year 5 and 6 Handball team had a fantastic Tbilisi Handball League tournament two weeks ago. Both boys and girls finished as the top school team in a tournament dominated by handball club teams. The boys finished in third position overall and the girls just missed out in the final and came second. Well done to our teams!



WORLD SCHOLARS CUP

The WSC returns to Tbilisi on the 1st and 2nd June and this year is hosted by our sister school BGA. Further information and registration details can be found on the WSC [website](#).



The World Scholar's Cup®

PSHE DAY

Our final secondary PSHE Day of the year is this Friday. These important days cover the National Curriculum requirements and it is very important that students attend these sessions.

MATHS CHALLENGE



UK Maths Trust

A number of Year 7 and 8 students participated in the UK Mathematics Trust's Junior Challenge recently. Gold certificates were awarded to Sandro U in Y7 and Aslan K in Y8; silvers were awarded to Karl, Nikita and Tornike in Y7 and Krystof, Filippo Kai and Varvara in Y8; with bronzes awarded to Olivier and Yerbolat in Y7 and Ariel, Dasha, Mikhaylo and Noor in Y8. Well done to our winners and all participating students.

GL PROGRESS TESTS

This week our Year 2 to 6 students have embarked on the [GL Progress Tests](#) which will continue into next week. Year 2 sit only English and Maths, whereas Year 3 to Year 6 sit English, Maths and Science. The tests are online and adaptive. They are used to measure the progress that students have made and help us further assist students with their studies next academic year. Results will be shared with parents in June. Years 7 to 9 will sit their GL tests at the end of the month.



BLACK SEA FOOTBALL

This coming Friday and Saturday sees our footballers in Year 7 to 10 participating in the BIST-hosted Black Sea Football Tournament. Our six teams (Under 15 Girls 1 & 2, Under 13 Boys 1 & 2 and Under 15 Boys 1 & 2) will play against teams from Tbilisi, Baku and Yerevan.

British International School of Tbilisi



Black Sea Schools Football Tournament

17TH AND 18TH MAY



BLACK SEA FOOTBALL
2024

PRIMARY SCHOOL BEING GREEN AWARD CERTIFICATES

Last Friday, our Primary teachers awarded students for Being Green during our Earth Day celebrations.

Primary School Being Green Award Winners

Foundation 1	Nil, Semen	Year 3W	Kian, Sesili
Foundation 2P	Samar, Sandro	Year 4B	Alex, Laura
Foundation 2S	Jinxu, Matthew	Year 4D	Daniella, Reema
Year 1T	Marta, Milan	Year 5A	Samuel, Thomas
Year 1W	Maxime, Renee	Year 5H	Joon, Misha S
Year 2H	Aida, Leyi	Year 6R	Cecilia, Data
Year 2K	Cloe, Kopala	Year 6V	Andrew, Enrique
Year 3B	Ada, Gustas	<i>Congratulations to all our winners!</i>	

House points



TIGERS

3996 POINTS



PUMAS

3903 POINTS



PANTHERS

3787 POINTS



LEOPARDS

3148 POINTS



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