



*"For me drive means a combination of a willingness to work hard, emotional fortitude, enormous powers of concentration and a refusal to admit defeat."*

**SIR ALEX FERGUSON**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

BIST CALENDAR

### ◆ May

- 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
- 4th - PCA Committee Meeting
- 5th - Primary Interhouse Swimming Gala
- 5th - Parents Coffee Morning
- 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 - Community Outreach Sports Day
- 19th-21st - International Award Silver Qualifying Expedition
- 20th - Foundation Graduation
- 20th - Graduation Ceremony for Year 13
- 21st - Pirosmani 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

This week and next week are four day weeks, but busy ones! The Primary school students will complete their GL Progress Tests in English, Maths and Science during the week. Parental reports for these will be sent out with the End of Year Reports. Students in Years 7 to 10 will be sitting their summer assessments next week (and GL Progress Tests in Years 7 to 9). The Year 10 assessments are a good preparation for the real examinations the following year and will use relevant sections of real past exam papers. Our Year 11 to 13 students are progressing through their IGCSE, AS Level and A Level examinations - as of today 872 examinations have been sat by 93 students; this is 77% of the total number of exams being sat this year. The students have shown great resilience and dedication throughout the exam period in what is a test of their character as well as their subject knowledge.

## Y1&2 OVERNIGHT ADVENTURE

Last Thursday our Year 1 and 2 students had an activity day in school and a sleepover in their classrooms. The classes were converted into a campsite and much fun was had with pizzas, games and a movie.





# BLACK SEA FOOTBALL

On Friday and Saturday of last week, there was a festival of football at school with our annual Black Sea tournament that saw sides from Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan and Uzbekistan grace the turf at school and at Lisi Lake. Although our teams only managed a second place finish, they worked hard and made it tough for all that they played. They also played with a positive spirit and demonstrated good sportsmanship.



## BRONZE QUALIFYING EXPEDITION

On Monday and Tuesday, our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's International Award students were in Manglisi for their qualifying expedition and two days of hiking, cooking and campcraft.



## SCHOOL CLOSED FRIDAY AND MONDAY

Don't forget that school is closed on Friday of this week and Monday of next week for a half term long weekend. There are exams, however, for our Year 11 to 13 students on both days. The school office will be open on Monday as it is a staff training day.

# PRIMARY SCHOOL BEING GREEN AWARD CERTIFICATES

Last Friday, our Primary teachers awarded students for demonstrating Progress in recent weeks.

## Primary School Being Green Award Winners

<b>Foundation 1</b>	Shiqi, Shiyu	<b>Year 3W</b>	Amir, Mattia
<b>Foundation 2P</b>	Abi, Leia	<b>Year 4B</b>	Emil, Jakob
<b>Foundation 2S</b>	Ariana, Dror	<b>Year 4D</b>	Charbel Maroun, Erdem
<b>Year 1T</b>	Elliot, Eric	<b>Year 5A</b>	Azzam, Tatiana
<b>Year 1W</b>	Ephraim, Yuan	<b>Year 5H</b>	Anna G, Nita
<b>Year 2H</b>	Anna, David	<b>Year 6R</b>	Liza, Vera
<b>Year 2K</b>	Keto, Vicky	<b>Year 6V</b>	Bushra, William
<b>Year 3B</b>	Elene, Tia	<b><i>Congratulations to all our winners!</i></b>	

## House points



TIGERS

4089 POINTS



PUMAS

3994 POINTS



PANTHERS

3860 POINTS



LEOPARDS

3240 POINTS



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