# NEWSLETTER BY British International School of Tbilisi

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 School 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 - Y3 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 - 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.

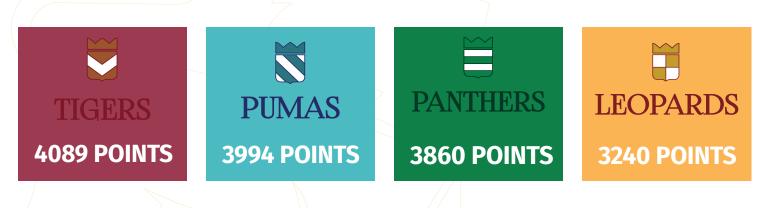
#### **PRIMARY SCHOOL BEING GREEN AWARD CERTIFICATES**

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

# **Primary School Being Green Award Winners**

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

## **House points**



# British International School of Tbilisi

**Mr. Stephen Priest** 

Ms. Alexandra Backhouse Vice Principal & Head of Primary

Mr. Adam Whybro Head of Secondary **Mr. Alex Timmis** 

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 22th May, 2024

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