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"Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go." TS ELIOT

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**BIST CALENDAR** 

## ✦ June

5th - Primary Interhouse Swimming Gala 5th - Parents Coffee Morning 10th-28th - Bridging Course for Y11 and Y12 12th - Parent Class Reps meeting 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 on Nutrition 19th-21st - International Award Silver Qualifying 21st - Pirosmani Day 21st - End of Year and GL testing reports pub-24th & 25th - F1 to Y10 Parent Teacher Confer-25th - PCA Committee Meeting 26th - Sing Up recording day 28th - End of Year Assembly

#### Y2 BOTANICAL GARDENS

Year 2 went on a trip to the Botanical Gardens as part of their IPC unit Live and Let Live. Students had a great time exploring nature and investigating and observing the natural environments of different animals and plants.

# 📫 DEAR PARENTS

This week we have had the pleasure of Mr. Robert Snowden, our Principal from August 2024, join us at BIST with his wife and eldest son. Robert met with parents this morning at our coffee morning and is very much looking forward to starting in August and meeting more of the students and parents.



## Y6 LAGODEKHI ADVENTURE

"We had a wonderful time in Lagodekhi! We went on a hike and a nature walk with the park ranger in the national forest. My favourite part was when I dipped my feet in the river - it was so refreshing! We put on a talent show one evening; everyone was very funny when performing with their group! Overall, it was an amazing experience". - Zavia Y6R





## WORLD SCHOLARS CUP



Last weekend BGA hosted the World Scholars Cup and a large contingent of BIST students participated. A lot of fun was had by all and an enormous amount of academic effort was expended. BIST Juniors in particular dominated the medal places across all areas of the competition. Well done to all our participants and thank you to BGA for hosting.

SECTION	WINNERS		
Team Challenge Junior	Gold - Vica M, Frantiska T, Maria S Silver - Emma M, Hili BY, Ellen E		
Team Challenge Senior	Silver - Finn R, Aleks A, Skyler K		
Individual Debate Junior	1st - Noor W 3rd - Maria S		
Team Bowl Junior	1st - Tamara N, Alexandra N 2nd - Isabella D, Noor W, Lucia S   3rd - Joonhyuk, Aoi, Jakob R		
Team Bowl Senior	1st - Ketevan G, Sophie G, Anastasia U 2nd - Sofia A, Amelia A, Nulara		
Writing Junior	1st - Maria S   2nd - Tamara N   3rd - Isabella D		
Writing Senior	1st - Sophie G   2nd - Nulara		
Junior Subject Challenge Winners	Art & Music - Andrew H   Social Studies - Vica M History, Science & Tech and Specialist Area - Maria S   Lit & Media - Jakob R		
Jac Khor Award for Junior Challenge Winner	Maria S		
Individual Challeng <mark>e Junior</mark>	2nd - Mikhaylo KF 3rd - Frantiska - T		
Asimov Award	1st - Sofia I 2nd Aiden H		
Team Debate Junior	1st - Isabella D, Noor W, Lucia S 3rd - Vica M, Frantiska T, Maria S		
Team Debate Senior	2nd - Ketevan G, Sophie G, Anastasia U		
Cria Scholars Junior	1st - Aoi K   2nd - Elouan B   3rd - Jakob R		
Barely Senior Scholars	1st - Skyler K   2nd - Finn R   3rd - Bella M		
Team Writing Junior	1st - Isabella D, Noor W, Lucia S 3rd - Vica M, Frantiska T, Maria S		
Team Writing Senior	1st - Ketevan G, Sophie G, Anastasia U 3rd - Finn R, Aleks A, Skyler K		
Cria Top Teams Junior	1st - Joonhyuk, Aoi, Jakob R 2nd - Elouan, Petr C		
Champion Scholars Junior	1st - Maria S 2nd - Noor W		
Champion Teams Junior	1st - Isabella D, Noor W, Lucia S 2nd - Vica M, Frantiska T, Maria S		
Champion Teams Senior	2nd - Ketevan G, Sophie G, Anastasia U		





## **INTERNATIONAL AWARD SILVER PRACTICE EXPEDITION**

Last week our intrepid Silver International Duke of Edinburgh's Award group headed off to the Aragvi area for three days of hiking and camping (and a little fun!). All the students passed their practice and will now participate in their assessed expedition later this term.



## PARENT LADY FOOTBALLERS REQUIRED!

On the last Thursday of the school term (27th June), we invite female parents to volunteer as footballers to play against our students and our female teachers. Please email <u>Mr. Priest</u> if you are interested.

## **Y1J STRAWBERRIES!**

Year 1J enjoyed a fun-filled field trip to Ma Gemme Farm in Saguramo, tying in with our recent IPC topic on plants and flowers. We explored strawberry plants, picked strawberries, made flower bouquets, painted plant pots, and planted strawberry plants to take home. The highlight was eating our hand picked strawberries dipped in melted chocolate.

#### SECONDARY FESTIVAL OF ARTS

On the 12th June at 5.30pm until 7.30pm in the school theatre, we have our Festival of the Arts. A wonderful evening showcasing the Arts, including Drama, singing and STEM presentations. Everyone is welcome!

#### **PRIMARY SWIMMING GALA**

Our Swimming Gala was this morning - look out for the results in next week's newsletter!

#### CAR BOOT SALE 15TH JUNE

The PCA car boot sale is a week on Saturday...if you want to sign up as a vendor/market trader, please complete this <u>form</u>. Thanks to those who already have done so - 17 parents have already. If you have nothing to sell, please come and buy (and bring your friends) as there will be lots of bargains to be had.



# LOST & FOUND

From the 18th June onwards, we will be displaying lost and found items in the Atrium. Please make time to visit and collect any of your child's lost items (if they have lost any). Any unclaimed items will be given to charity at the end of term.

#### **PRIMARY PICNIC**

On the afternoon of Friday 14th June, we have our Primary Parents and Students picnic, with singing, fun games and activities and the parents cake competition. The event starts at 1.30pm. All Primary parents are welcome.

#### **PRIMARY SCHOOL HOUSE POINT AWARD CERTIFICATES**

<b>Primary School Being Green Award Winners</b>			
Foundation 1	Davit, Lucas	Year 3W	Emili, Michael
Foundation 2P	Emilia, Sofia	Year 4B	Finn, Rada
Foundation 2S	Mira, Vasilina	Year 4D	Constantin, Searfina
Year 1T	Lara, Lycaon	Year 5A	Abigail, Bassam
Year 1W	Andrei, Kai	Year 5H	Cole, Nikita
Year 2H	Rijad, Xavier	Year 6R	Away on a trip
Year 2K	Chuxian, Mark	Year 6V	Away on a trip
Year 3B	Dojin, Zlata	Congratulations to all our winners!	

**HOUSE POINTS** 



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 5th June, 2024

