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'No winter lasts forever; no spring skips its turn.' Hal Borland

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UPCOMING EVENTS

BIST CALENDAR

March

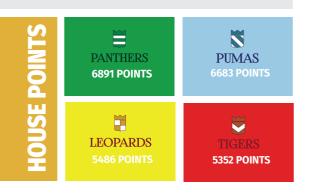
31st - 4th - Secondary Trip to Athens 31st - 4th - STEAM Week

April

2nd - PCA Committee Meeting 4th - STEAM Fusion Event 4th - 5th Black Sea Games in Romania (Y5/6) 9th - School Closed (Public Holiday) 10th - Night At The Theatre (Y10/11 Drama) 11th – Earth Day / Tree Planting Day 11th - A Level & IGCSE Oral Exams 14th - Duke of Edinburgh Training Day 14th - KS2 Show (Performance 1) 15th - KS2 Show (Performance 2) 16th - FS/KS1 Easter Egg Hunt 16th - KS2 Sports Day 16th - Last Day of Term 2 25th - IGCSE Examinations Begin 28th - First Day of Term 3

SCHOOL MENU

Please find the menu for next week below: **Foundation** Y1-Y13



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It has been a busy week in school with lots of preparation taking place for STEAM week, upcoming international trips, performances and course, the upcoming IGCSE and A level of examinations. We have had three days of school photos that will be available to purchase along with the school yearbook next term. I also enjoyed a delicious Adjarian Khachapuri that was made by our foundation stage pupils! Thank you for all the donations for both the toy sale and the products for the refugee centre. Supporting our students to become caring, compassionate and globally aware citizens is such a crucial part of our educational philosophy at BIST.

The PSHE day in Secondary was also successful with students learning about a whole range of topics that support their personal development and safety. It was great to see our Year 6 pupils enjoying a day in Secondary this week, helping them feel comfortable with the upcoming change into a new building in August 2025! I would like to finish by wishing our Secondary students and staff heading to Athens for a week (very early on Monday morning) an enjoyable and successful trip. I wish you all an enjoyable weekend!

FOUNDATION BAKING

In Foundation 1 & 2, we explored our new IPC topic, Imagine That! The classes have been learning about different professions and we imagined what it would be like to become chefs. The children were involved in every step of the process and baked delicious Adjaruli Khachapuris which they thoroughly enjoyed eating afterwards alongside their special guests, Mr Simon and Mr Alex.





YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAY

Yesterday, our Year 6 students stepped into the world of Secondary for their Transition Day, experiencing lessons in English, Music, Mathematics, and Science.

In English, they explored etymology - the fascinating history and origins of words - by researching the meanings behind their own names. Over in Science, they became forensic investigators, using the periodic table to crack a code and solving a thrilling "Who did it?" mystery. With chromatography, they analysed ink samples to uncover the truth behind a forged note left at the crime scene - who was the culprit? Ask Year 6 to find out!

During Music, students had the chance to experiment with a variety of instruments and they enjoyed their lunch break in the Space Café, getting a feel for life in Secondary.

A big well done to Year 6 for embracing the challenge - your journey to Year 7 has begun!

HOUSE UPDATE

It has been a busy week for our Houses. In Primary, Y3-4 enjoyed a stuck-in-the-mud contest, and we completed a poster competition for the House display. Well done to the many students who submitted fantastic entries, with special congratulations to Ivan R (4B) for his work being selected the overall winner by our panel of House Captains.

In Secondary, Panthers battled their way to 1st place in the Y7-8 dodgeball tournament, with Leopards winning the Y9-10 category and Tigers in Y11-13. On an individual level, we congratulate Miron K (7Z), Luyi L (7Z), Dominik M (7Z), Katherine A (9Z), Agata P (9Z) and Sophia S (9Z) for reaching 50 HP. Meanwhile, Elizabeth G (7A) and Isabella D (9Z) have achieved the impressive milestone of 100 HP. Finally, Year 7Z became the first group to reach the 1000 HP mark – a phenomenal reflection of their hard work this year.





TOY SALE AND DONATIONS

On Friday, students from F1 to Year 6 took part in a special toy sale to raise funds for our Community Partnership Links. The event was a great success, with students enthusiastically selecting and purchasing pre-loved toys, knowing that their contributions would support those in need.

In addition to raising money, the school also welcomed representatives from Martkopi, who collected donated food items that will be sent to a refugee camp. Any unsold toys from the sale were also generously donated to the camp, ensuring that children facing hardship will receive toys to brighten their days.

A heartfelt thank you to the entire BIST community for your kindness, generosity, and support. We have now raised just over 4000GEL for our Primary Charities! Your contributions make a real difference!





PRIMARY AWARDS

Communication Champion Winners 28.03.25

Foundation 1	Andrea Lawrence, Aleksandre	Year 3W	Mark C, Zlata
Foundation 2	Crystal, Shiqi	Year 4B	Kuzey, Mizuki
Year 1S	Erhan, Wynona	Year 4D	Zlata, Bar
Year 1T	Mehmet Demir, Adam	Year 5A	Daniel, Nika
Year 2H	Mark, Avery	Year 5H	Luka, Laura
Year 2P	Arina, Liliana	Year 6K	Luca, Anna G
Year 3M	Kopala, Xavier	Year 6P	Jakob, Lina

Congratulations to all our winners!

Mr. Robert Snowden Principal

Mr. Simon Rooney

Head of Primary School

Mr. Adam Whybro Head of Secondary School

Mr. Alex Timmis EYKS1 Coordinator Ms. Christelle Van Heerden KS3 Coordinator

Ms. Katie Karmazvn

KS2 Coordinator

Ms. Zoe Abbott KS4 Coordinator

Mr. James Parker

Head of Sixth Form

Ms. Sophie Kasrashvili Head of Administration & PA to Principal

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