



"Excellence is not a skill, it's an attitude."
Ralph Marston

UPCOMING EVENTS

BIST CALENDAR

● April

4th - STEAM Fusion Event
4th - 5th Black Sea Games in Romania
9th - School Closed (National Holiday)
10th - FS & KS1 Sports Day
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
17th - 27th - School Holiday
25th - IGCSE Examinations Begin
28th - First Day of Term 3

YEAR 1S FLORIST TRIP

In 1S, we went to a florist called "Anemone" where we learned all about flowers and plants as part of our IPC topic, "Flowers and Insects". We had a guided tour of the shop and were taught about how to care for the plants as well as what they need in order to grow. Finally, we all took part in a flower arranging and repotting activity. The class were very pleased with their hard work and were able to take their flowers home. 1T are looking forward to going next week!



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It has certainly been a busy week in school with two international trips in Secondary combined with STEAM week in primary, there has been lots of learning taking place outside of the usual classroom activities. In the British system, these sort of activities that emphasise the holistic development of our children blended with academic progress are crucial. Communication, leadership, collaboration, creativity and problem solving are often listed among the top skills required by employers; and these are central to how our children are learning and the experiences they have.

I would also like to welcome Ms Daria who is joining us in the Secondary Team. She has a lot of experience in teaching English as a Second language and is going to be focusing on supporting our older students with academic language acquisition to support their A level and IGCSE success. She will also be supporting official Exam invigilation. Effective recruitment of high quality, experienced teachers is an essential part of my job and we have a thorough and rigorous process to achieve this. We are getting close to completing recruitment of teaching staff for the coming year and we will be sharing with parents an overview of the new staff joining the school in early May. I hope you all enjoy the weekend!

SCHOOL MENU

Please find the menu for next week below:
[Foundation](#)
[Y1-Y13](#)

HOUSE POINTS


PANTHERS
7067 POINTS


PUMAS
6958 POINTS


LEOPARDS
5634 POINTS


TIGERS
5608 POINTS

FOUNDATION 1 PHONICS

Our youngest students engaged in some hands-on creative phonics activities. We traced the letters we had learned thus far using colourful pasta. The class was thoroughly engaged in this hands-on, artistic and somewhat messy way of revising. We did this activity outside in our breakout area which is a great place to be learning!



SECONDARY ATHENS TRIP

This week, students from Year 9 and 10 have been visiting a number of ancient historical sites across Athens and Attica, Greece. Some of the highlights have included visiting the Parthenon on the Acropolis, ancient Corinth and the Temple of Poseidon by Cape Sounio. Students have also sampled the cultural and culinary delights of Greece, eating their own body weight in feta cheese, devouring pistachios from the famed island of Aegina and lazily strolling around the Plaka 'old town' of Athens. A great time was had by all.



SCHOOL CLOSURE REMINDER

Please remember school is closed on Wednesday 9th April for the National Day of Unity in Georgia

School Performance Reminder

Performance	Cast	When	Where
A Night at the Theatre	Year 10 & 11	10th April - 16:30	Theatre
A Hint of Snow White (1st)	KS2	14th April - 16:00	Sports Hall
A Hint of Snow White (2nd)	KS2	15th April - 13:30	Sports Hall

STEAM WEEK

For this year's STEAM week we have been inspired by the theme Adventure and Exploration! It has been a fantastic opportunity for all primary children to engage in hands-on activities involving Design and Technology, Science, and Mathematics. Every year the group has been working on their own special project, culminating in our superb showcase this afternoon! We hope that STEAM week has given every student some ideas about possible exciting careers in STEAM!



HOUSE UPDATE

This week saw Y5-6 Pumas win a stuck-in-the-mud contest, while Y7-8 students stretched their brains in a mental maths challenge. A shout-out to Lili C (7A) and Ioanna N (8Z) for hitting the 100 HP mark, and to Yehyun K (10M) for racking up 50 points. Finally, congratulations to Year 11Z for making it to 250 HP as a group – a great effort all round!

BLACK SEA SPORTS

Our sports teams have arrived in Cluj, Romania ready to compete at this year's Black Sea Games. It was an early start on Thursday morning at the airport but they are now enjoying competing against other international schools. Good Luck to them all!

PRIMARY AWARDS

Excellent Engineer Winners 04.04.25

Foundation 1	Andrew, Lea	Year 3W	Gosha, Elian
Foundation 2	Ellen, Semen	Year 4B	Sesili, Aldiyar
Year 1S	Vytis, Matvey	Year 4D	Oscar, Emili
Year 1T	Jules Eren, Elias	Year 5A	Robert, Mariam
Year 2H	Aneta, Alejandra	Year 5H	Aleksandre, Constantin
Year 2P	Maxime, Marta	Year 6K	Samuel, Olga
Year 3M	Gosha, Elian	Year 6P	Halka, Tosia

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4th April, 2025

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