

#### BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF CASABLANCA

## NEWSLETTER

07th June 2024

Dear parents/carers

It was lovely seeing all the children back in school and hearing what they had been doing over the half term break. I hope that you all had an enjoyable week.

Thank you to those parents and family members who turned up for our student-led conferences on Monday. It was lovely seeing you and also I know the children enjoyed sharing their learning with you, especially focusing on the things they are most proud of. I thank you for continuing to work with us to support your child in achieving their goals for this term.

This week the children have been sitting assessments and the focus has been for the children to do their best and have a go. The assessment grades will help to inform the final grades on Term 3 reports, taken alongside other data we have.

Preparations for International Day have also been a focus this week with parents, teachers and children working together to plan for the event. We look forward to celebrating what everyone has achieved, working as a team, next Friday. Well done and thank you to all the children who undertook my Holiday Challenge and have brought in items for International Day. House points have been awarded accordingly.

Wishing you all the best for an enjoyable weekend.

Claire Sealey Head of Primary

#### PRIMARY ASSEMBLY:

Well done to 5B for their assembly today. The children should be proud of their performance as they shared with us their rehearsal of the play "Alice in Wonderland". It was wonderful to see each individual take their role so seriously and to see everyone working together as a team to create their performance. The audience provided feedback on what had gone well and how it could be improved. Thank you to 5B for an entertaining assembly.

We also celebrated the success of BISC in the COBIS Maths Competition earlier this year and those students who took part were acknowledged and congratulated on stage. Please see the end of the newsletter for more details.







#### **KEY INFORMATION:**

Refresh your children's uniform at the school shop with our promotion from 30% off! Don't miss this opportunity to give your little champions a new look to shine. Join us at the shop



#### 1. PUNCTUALITY

Thank you to all our parents who ensure that their children get to school for 8.00 am in Primary and 9.00 am in EYFS. Being in school on time is really important to enable children to begin their day positively and calmly. Also, parents should collect their children promptly at the end of the day – before 4.15 pm or 3.15 pm on a Friday. Thank you to those of you who do so. It is appreciated. Obviously, if there is an emergency, let us know and we will ensure that your child is supervised.

#### 2. REMINDER ABOUT ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

It is NOT permitted for any child in Primary to bring in a device or piece of electronic equipment for any reason. This is due to us currently not having appropriate parent permission or the appropriate guards in place for students who bring in devices from home. Our priority is to safeguard your child. I thank you for your understanding and cooperation with regard to this. Any devices found in school will be confiscated and parents will be asked to come into school personally to collect these.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

10 June - Children in Primary will continue to undertake assessments over the next week.

**10 June –** Primary visits commence. Classes will send out separate letters to parents.

11 & 12 June - Year 6 transition.

14 June – EYFS graduation – in the morning in the auditorium. More details to follow.

14 June – International Day – in the afternoon on the main field. More details to follow.

**15 June –** Year 6 and 13 Graduation and Awards Ceremony. More details to follow.



#### EYFS:

#### Nursery

This week we have been preparing for International Day looking at the traditions of our country Mauritius and practising our performance dance. We have done activities based on this to use as props for the day. We began to look at growth both as humans and plants by introducing the stories "The Tiny Seed" and the "Enormous Turnip". We have been discussing the stories and also using our communication skills, sharing what we did over the holidays.

#### Reception

This week we have been very busy preparing for Reception's Graduation and International Day next Friday. The children are getting so excited to wear their gowns and hats to perform in front of their parents/families. The children have worked so hard learning new songs and a dance routine. See you all next week to celebrate all of your children's hard work and amazing achievements. We are sure there will be a few tears of pride shed including all of us in the Reception team. We are so proud of them all!



#### YEAR 1



In Year 1, History and geography lessons have focused on our international country. The children have learned interesting facts about its customs, cuisine, and related artists. They've started rehearsing for a traditional dance and are excited about next week's upcoming show. Thank you to our community of parents who are supporting our classes!



#### YEAR 2

Year 2 children have worked so hard this week with their assessments - well done to all! Please remember to look on Class Dojo for more information about the school trip on Monday 10 June.

#### YEAR 3

In our recent science topic, 'Taking Care of Ourselves, students have created impressive 3D models of the human skeleton. These models illustrate their understanding of how our bones, muscles, and organs function together to support and protect our bodies. The hands-on project not only enhanced their anatomical knowledge but also fostered creativity and teamwork. These models are a testament to their hard work and dedication to learning about the human body's intricate systems.





#### YEAR 4



We have been busy bees in Year 4 this week, focusing on revision for assessment week and practising our performance to wow the parents on the upcoming International Day. We have pooled our creative minds together and came up with some lovely decorations as well!

In science, the students have used actual circuit-boards to understand how electricity works, how it flows through conductive materials and how this flow can be stopped or affected. They loved controlling how much electricity reaches the lightbulb and dimming and brightening the light themselves.

#### YEAR 5

Thank you to those who attended our student-led conference on Monday, it was a joy to see pupils showing off their hard work! We have had a busy yet fun week in Year 5 this week with a mixture of preparing and undertaking assessments as well as practicing and preparing for our International Day celebration and the 5B play for assembly this week.







#### YEAR 6

To begin their new science topic of electricity and light, Year 6 spent time exploring circuits in a practical way. They discussed the different components that could make up a circuit such as bulbs, batteries and wires, and then put their knowledge to the test to build them. The children were engaged when learning about open and closed circuits, and were proud when their bulbs lit up.





We're thrilled to announce that BISC has achieved eighth place out of 118 schools in the past COBIS Maths Competition!

Congratulations to our 19 talented mathematicians. They spent more than 3,000 minutes answering more than 12,000 questions (11,363 correct!). We are proud of them: Hamza B Y3, Nour E Y3, Dahlia A Y3, Wael E Y3, Aman K Y3, Othmane L Y3, Ediz E Y3, Nelya G Y3, Ali Z Y4, Dario G Y4, Daoud H Y4, Sheng W Y4, Mickael P Y5, Hareendra S Y5, Soulaymane H Y5, Ilias Y Y6, Ziqi Q Y6, Matthew D Y6 and Abel G Y6.









# FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE INTERNATIONAL DAY

YOU'RE INVITED TO A COLOURFUL CELEBRATION OF CULTURES!

Come to school dressed in your country's traditional attire and take part in a variety of exciting activities.

Join us for a day of unity, diversity, and fun as we celebrate the rich cultures that make up our community!







Nursery A | ElJazy for being very responsive and has memorised the stories we learned this week: "The Dodoland" and "The Tiny Seed".

Nursery B | Zayd for his good use of English in the class, especially being one of the younger children.

Reception A | Layel B for settling well into Reception A and working hard in phonics lessons.

Reception B | Sofia for using her listening ears and making the right choices.

Year 1A | Lokman for always trying his best, especially in his writing this week.

Year 1B | Mariam for working hard on her times table.

Year 2A | Samy for his attitude to learning.

Year 2B | Noah for his outstanding behaviour this week.

Year 3A | Axel for putting in a lot of effort and therefore his progress has skyrocketed.

Year 3B | Ellie H for her amazing effort in this week assessment.

Year 4A | Dania for her beautiful story writing.

Year 4B | Meryem for being so kind to her classmates and leading teamwork efforts in English.

Year 5A | Haitam for significantly improved attitudes and behaviours to learning.

Year 5B | Weiran for always being a model student and a wonderful leading lady in our play.

Year 6A | Dania for always being a role model to others.

Year 6B | Cyrine for excellent creative writing.



#### THIS WEEK'S "STAR OF THE WEEK":



### **House Points**

House Point winner this week **OXFORD**