



# BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF CASABLANCA NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

And just like that, we have reached the halfway mark of the academic year. To quote one of our Year 4 students: 'Wow! That was fast!'

For me, the highlight of this term so far was undoubtedly the Chinese New Year Celebration Assembly, which was a vibrant showcase of the incredible talent and diversity within our school community. Students took center stage, dazzling us with musical performances, inspiring readings, and a captivating Dragon Dance routine that reflected the rich cultural heritage of our multicultural school.

The assembly was a true celebration of the creativity, confidence, and unity that define BISC. It was a proud moment for us all, reminding us that our differences make us stronger and our talents shine brightest when shared together.

Sincerely,  
Jason Pegg | Head of Primary

## **EYFS:**

### **Nursery**

In Nursery we have continued to explore what is "Under the Sea". We have listened to the story of the Rainbow Fish and made our very own fish with shimmering scales. We have practised our fine motor skills doing sea creature threading and have been matching numbers in maths, alongside comparing sizes of sharks, whales and turtles.

### **Reception**

In Reception this week we have enjoyed using objects and pictures to help us count one more and one less. It has been good to see children working together in pairs to count carefully and check each other's answers. The children have had lots of fun using puppets and the dressing up box to retell a range of traditional tales that we have read as a class such as 'The Frog Prince' and 'Little Red Riding Hood'.

## YEAR 1

Our students have taken their learning beyond the classroom, extending our last 'Shapes; topic in the most creative ways! They have brought incredible projects from home: paintings, robots, houses, even an ice cream lab! All in fantastic 3D models. Their enthusiasm has truly impressed us and the classroom looks much nicer with their work.



## YEAR 2

This week everyone was thrilled to have their Reading Buddy in our classrooms! Everyone was so engaged and worked brilliantly together. We would like to thank Year 5 for coming down and helping our classes and making them feel more confident in their reading abilities!



## YEAR 3

This week in science year 3 explored the fascinating world of magnets and forces and how to use them correctly. They also used magnets to investigate which materials from the classroom are magnetic/non-magnetic. Children enjoyed exploring with magnets and seeing how magnetism can attract, repel and move objects.



## YEAR 4

This week year 4 have been making the robots they designed during D&T. Parents were invited along to help the students build their creations. A lot of fun was had by all.



## YEAR 5

This week year 5 have really enjoyed their reading buddy session with year 2. It was wonderful to see year 5 carefully read and explain definitions and story structures to year 2, showing them how to decode tricky words and build up a love of reading.





## YEAR 6

This week year 6 visited DoorZ Escape Room to improve their critical thinking and problem solving skills. They solved a variety of clues which led to different rooms with new situations they had to deal with. We are pleased to say that every group managed to escape!



## TEACHER SPOTLIGHT - MRS HAYLEY CHAJID (RECEPTION)



### ***What was your favourite lesson this week (and why)?***

This week in our topic 'who helps us in the community' the children were role playing the role of a nurse and a patient. The kindness and care they showed each other was absolutely lovely to see. They used lots of new vocabulary and showed different emotions especially when talking about the ill patient.

### ***What was one thing that made you laugh this week?***

During our outdoor play this week, we used an outdoor speaker and played music. It's so much fun watching the children freestyle using dance to express themselves.

### ***What are you looking forward to this weekend?***

I am looking forward to seeing my daughter who is travelling from England to Morocco to visit me. I am so happy as I miss her so much. We will go to Tangier and Chefchaouen for a few days during the holidays.

## INTERHOUSE COMPETITION:

The House Points competition this term was won by Oxford (182 points); 2nd Place: Cambridge (181pts); 3rd Place: Warwick (158 pts); and 4th Place: Bath (137 pts).

## IMPORTANT DATES:

**18/02 : Parents' Coffee Morning**

**19/02 : Parent Teacher Conferences (Y1C, Y3B, Y6)**

**20/02 : Parent Teacher Conferences (Nursery, Reception, Y1A, Y1B, Y2, Y3A, Y4, Y5)**



# STAR

## OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE

**Nursery A** | Reika for settling well this term and making new friends.

**Nursery B** | Zakaria for improved listening and following instructions.

**Reception A** | Feras for using objects to help him count one more/one less in maths.

**Reception B** | Ghait for good listening and showing kindness to others.

**Year 1A** | Mohamed for working independently on all given tasks.

**Year 1B** | Maryam for always being kind and showing her mental Math skills!

**Year 1C** | William, for improving his behaviour and for working hard in English.

**Year 2A** | Lokmane, for improved focus and effort.

**Year 2B** | Alya, for her wonderful work on Times Tables.

**Year 3A** | Eyup for his enthusiasm with reading daily.

**Year 3B** | Oussama for outstanding effort this week.

**Year 4A** | Ramsey for finding the courage to be a great reading buddy.

**Year 4B** | Ellie for fantastic commitment to learning every day.

**Year 5A** | Mayar for always listening and following instructions.

**Year 5B** | Daoud for his amazing project work.

**Year 6A** | Ghita for always making sure she has understood so she can do her best independent work.

**Year 6B** | Abdel for an improvement in effort in maths and English.