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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

BISP Vision – To be a school community where everyone can thrive and meet with success

Dear Parents and Friends of BISP,

UNIFORM ARRIVAL

Below is a table of rough timings for the arrival of our new uniform, as sent to us by the supplier. Incidentally, we are having the same delays at our sister schools in KL who are using different suppliers! Both suppliers are stating a lack of materials needed in the country as the main issue.

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Primary Shirts	5/10
Primary Shorts	12/10
Primary Skorts	12/10
Secondary Shirts	19/10
Secondary Long Pants	26/10
EYFS Shorts	1/11
EYFS Skorts	1/11
EYFS Polo Tops	1/11
Secondary Skorts	ТВС

MASTERS COMMUNITY GOLF SATURDAY 15 NOVEMBER

Please contact Terence Lee <u>terence.lee@bisp.edu.my</u> if interested to play along with your genuine handicap! We are looking to play at Kulim GC.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow us on:

<u>Instagram</u>; <u>Facebook</u>

COVID

Please do regularly test your children. While numbers are lower we do have a very small number of children who are away from school with Covid, which would indicate that it has not spread or been caught in school. All year groups affected have been informed. Let Marlina Sara know p.marlina@bisp.edu.my if positive.

BISP - Believe, Belong, Become

Warmest regards
Duncan Grice
Executive Principal

SCHOOL UPDATE- RHYS THOMAS, HEAD OF CAMPUS

Dear Parents and Friends of BISP.

It has been another great week at the school as we grow into our new identity as BISP. You will soon start to see some developments around the campus with the new logo appearing and of course the new uniform arriving soon.

COBIS

We have begun the renewal of our compliance membership with the Council of British International Schools (COBIS). This year we intend to complete a process that will allow us to continue to enjoy existing benefits, which includes the ability to compete in COBIS competitions, while also gaining the ability to host COBIS events.

BUS SERVICE

If you, as a parent, are looking for a convenient and safe way to get your child to school without running the school-rush gauntlet, you may be interested in our BISP Bus Service. If you would like more information on the service please contact our receptionist, Ms Pushpa at

r.pushpanjali@bisp.edu.my

CCAs

Our CCAs started this week, and as ever it is absolutely wonderful to see so many children taking part in activities like karate, and chess, that may not be covered by the core curriculum. If you missed the sign-up deadline, don't worry, it's not too late. You can contact our CCA coordinator Mr Glyn Martin, directly and he will be able to help sign-you up for any CCA provided it has not yet reached its pupil-number capacity. Mr Martin can be contacted via email: glyn.martin@bisp.edu.my

CLEANING CONTRACT TENDER

Our cleaning contract is approaching its renewal date and we are opening a tender process to ensure the best possible provider for our school. If you own or know of any company that would like to be included in this process please contact our Head of Operations, Ms Ravita Purba p.ravita@bisp.edu.my.

VACANCY- SCHOOL GARDENER

We are looking for an enthusiastic and hard-working gardener to join the school staff. They will be responsible for ensuring the outside areas of the school are cared for and well maintained so that we can provide an attractive environment for our students. Salary will be dependent on experience. Interested candidates can speak to our HR Manager, Ms Izyan Ronedin r.izyan@bisp.edu.my or call the school front office +60 4 509 7000.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept	Event	Time	Venue
19th Sep	PS Staff Meeting: Maths	1530	5P
	SS Staff Meeting: SS Department Led PD / National College (All HoDs)	1530	SS Library
20th Sep	Sixth Form Options Evening	1630	Parent Lobby
21st Sep	Parent Engagement : Secondary School (YR 7-13) Assessment & Reporting at BISP	0815	PD Room
23rd Sep	YR 11 Options Survey Deadline	Various	Various

PRIMARY UPDATE

PRIMARY STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations to all the Year 6 Prefects and House Captains. We had our first meetings this week, and they all have displayed the enthusiasm and maturity to do a great job as student leaders this year.

Classes from Year 1 to 5 are in the process of selecting their Student Council Representatives.

PARENT ENGAGEMENT MEETING - PHONICS

Parents from FS, Year 1 and Year 2 are invited to attend a workshop on Phonics on Wednesday, 28th September, from 8:15. Ms Dark, our KS1 Coordinator and Year 2 teacher will lead this session.

CCAs

CCAs started this week. Primary activities will finish at 4:15. Please collect the children by 4:30.

Peter Ferrier
Head of Primary





















Year 6 investigation into electricity









5P have been researching Merdeka and creating poster presentations. They then took turns presenting to groups of classmates and walking around being presented to

SECONDARY UPDATE

AMAZING LEARNING

Year 8 Mathematics

Students enjoyed a Tarsia game while learning rounding decimal numbers.





Year 9 English

Students have been applying narrative plot structure into their own short story inspired by Shirley Jackson's The Lottery. Below is a very pleasing extract from the final piece written by Ke Hong, Declan and Jit Ming. Weekly WOW words were embedded into their writing for the purpose of developing students' literacy.

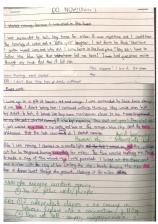
The Hunt

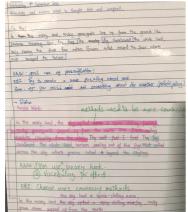
The morning of June 27th was clear and sunny, with the fresh warmth of a full-summer day; the flowers were blossoming profusely, and the grass was richly green. A man, Barat, is taking a nap under the canopy of the trees. The man has been woken up by his father, Roger. Roger told him that it was time to go out.

As Barat was preparing to go out, he took his hunting bow with him. However, little did he know Roger was keeping something surreptitious from him. As Barat was approaching the forest, he saw a dark figure in the corner of his eye, only for a moment, but it was there. Barat thought he was just not seeing things right, so he continued to find prey to hunt.

Year 8 English

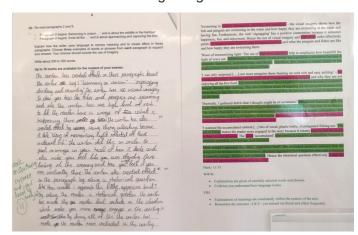
Students have been learning how to use different narrative hooks to engage readers in the context of Gothic literature. Here are some examples of their outstanding work!





Year 10 English

In preparation for their IGCSEs, Year 10 have begun practising exam questions. Here, they analyse writers' effects in a more structured and detailed manner. Well done Seshvar and Ding Kang.



Prasanna- Year 11 Immerse Education

Prasanna attended the Immerse Education summer school to prepare for a career in Medicine. Her course leader commented: Prasanna is exceptionally smart, courteous, friendly, curious and loves a good academic challenge. She engaged in discussions with an open mind and analysed different opinions with a view to understanding and then presenting counterarguments which she did respectfully.



AMAZING LEARNING

The <u>COBIS GSL Leadership Weekend</u> is a 3-day virtual course that will provide students with an opportunity of a lifetime. In the words of one of our participants: "The programme lets us interact with people our own age, it taught us all about being GREAT leaders and helped to shape the next generation of socially conscious leaders. It was so well organised and easy to access online. The whole structure of the timetable worked really well and all the facilitators were FANTASTIC!!!!".



PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

This week's Parent information session (14/9) was an opportunity for Year 11 parents to find out about about A-level options, scholarships, and Sixth Form life at BISP. If you missed the session you can find the information here.

Out next information session focuses on Secondary School (Year 7-13) Assessment & Reporting at BISP and will be held on Wednesday September 21st.

Please join Mr Martin, Secondary Assistant Head, Academic in the main lobby at 8.10 for an 8.15 start.

Rhys Thomas **Head of Secondary**





Parent information session







Fire drill