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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

BISP Vision – To be a school where every child can thrive and meet with success

Dear Parents and Friends of BISP

May I extend a very warm welcome to BISP to all our new students and parents, and a huge welcome back to our existing families. I hope that you have enjoyed your summer holidays and are looking forward to Merdeka Day. All the staff are looking forward to welcoming you and your family to BISP on Wednesday 24th August.

Contained below is crucial information for you as we begin the new academic year.

ID Cards

As safety and security are our main concern, please ensure that you wear your ID card around your neck when you are on the school premises. Please note that we require photographs for any family member in charge of your child's pick up, including guardians, extended family members, drivers, and nannies.

You will need this to enter campus otherwise you will have to provide a picture ID and sign in as a visitor each time. For fire safety reasons please sign in at the main reception when you arrive even if you have a parent ID card.

Uniform

A letter went out this week regarding uniform. Click [here](#) to see.

First Day Arrival Information– Wednesday 24 August

Please bring your child to school between 07:30 – 8:00 am on the first day of school. New families, please come to the main school Reception area where a member of the administration team will meet you. Existing parents please drop at Gates A, B or C as normal. Please **do not** arrive any earlier than 7:30 am as the children will have to wait.

Co-Curricular activities

A detailed co-curricular programme will be sent to you once the school year begins.

Academic Calendar 2022-23

A reminder that our calendar for the next academic year is on our website. You can click [HERE](#) to view.

A key dates calendar will go out to you next week with all community, House and school events that will be taking place for the year.

Water Bottles

Please supply your child with a water bottle so that they can keep rehydrated at all times in their classes. There are many water dispensers around school.

New parent Portal

You should have received information about this. Please contact Lyn if not.

BISP A level and IGCSE Examination Results

We will share these with you next week to allow us time to analyse the data which we received yesterday.

Nur Diyana Binti Md Ismadi joins us from Kulim where she has been teaching English in two national schools. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Applied English Language Studies from Kolej Universiti Poly-Tech MARA in Kuala Lumpur as well as a Diploma in English Language Studies from the Selangor International Islamic University College. Diyana will be a teaching Assistant in our EAL department.



Tracy Chua joins us from paragon international School where she has been teaching Cambridge IGCSE Mandarin. Prior to this, Tracy had taught as a primary teacher in a number of Chinese schools. Tracy has a bachelor of primary education degree from the Open University in Malaysia. Tracy will be joining our Mandarin Department.

Ratha Gunasegan has a Bachelor in Psychology with honours in child and family psychology from Universiti Malaysia Sabah and will be joining us a teaching assistant in Primary School.

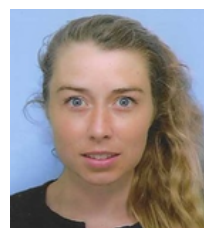


INTRODUCING NEW STAFF



Ann Chin joins us from Kinabalu International School where she has been a EAL Learning Support teacher for three years. Prior to that, Ann was an Education counsellor at Taylor's University in Subang Jaya as well as a reception teacher in Labuan. Ann has a qualification in Teaching in English in Multilingual Classrooms from Lexis Education Australia as well as a Bachelor of Education (Hons) Language and Literature. Ann will be joining our EAL Department.

Auni Farzana Baba joins us from Q-dees at Taman Desa Aman in Kedah where she was a Reception teacher. Prior to that, Auni worked in a sports complex in various coaching roles. She has a Diploma in Sport Studies from UiTM Samarahan and a Bachelor in Education (Hons.) Physical & Health Education from UiTM Puncak Alam, Selangor. Auni will be joining our PE Department.



Stevie Coker joins us from the UK where she has been teaching in Essex. Prior to teaching, Stevie was a swim teacher at the British School of Tokyo and an Early Years Montessori teacher at St Albans Nursery in Tokyo. Stevie has a Post Graduate Certificate of Education from Essex and Thames SCITT as well as a BA (hons) in Graphic Design from the University of Bournemouth in the UK. Stevie will be teaching in Year 1.

SUMMER WORKS

School has been busy over the summer. Here is what has been done or is being done:

1. Speed humps outside Gates A & C
2. Primary lobby ceiling leak rectified
3. All ground floor toilets tiled
4. Painting of House colours in the four stairwells
5. Uprooting and removal of 3 raintrees at main football field
6. All carpets shampooed
7. Walkway parameter lighting ongoing
8. Light bulb replacements ongoing
9. Streetlights underground cabling replacement ongoing
10. Sixth form study rooms and common room refurbishment
11. New MPH Flooring - Claim approved 17-Aug work will be getting underway soon
12. Removal of GEMS signages (Internally & Externally) ongoing
13. Painting of walls on rotation

NEW FAMILIES AND REFER A FRIEND FINANCIAL REWARD SCHEME

Contact admissions@bisp.edu.my

Information on Admissions can be found [here](#). For each successful referral, you receive RM1,500!

Please do recommend GIP to your friends.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUG	EVENT	TIME
Mon 22	Uniform shop open for parents	08:30
Tue 22	Uniform shop open for parents	08:30
Wed 24	1 st Day of academic year 22 - 23	Various

PARENT/SCHOOL PERSONALIZED SERVICE – COMMUNICATION, US DIRECTLY

Your first contact is your child's homeroom teacher or subject teacher if it is an academic or pastoral issue.

Primary – peter.ferrier@bisp.edu.my

Secondary – rhys.thomas@bisp.edu.my

Whole School – duncan.grice@bisp.edu.my

Parent Issues/Mandarin - yeong.linyoke@bisp.edu.my

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