The British School of Egypt

End of Term 2 Newsletter April 2023

Message from the Executive Principal

Ramadan Kareem to our lovely BSE community.

I am sure you will enjoy reading this newsletter, packed with examples of the wonderful learning experiences your children enjoy here at school every day.

This half-term I would like to shed a spotlight on Key Stage 4. During the half-term break our Year 11 pupils embarked on the exceptional **Work Experience Internship Programme** that we offer at The BSE. This is designed to provide our pupils with the opportunity to experience the real life world of work. Gaining such experience will give them a competitive advantage when applying for university and future employment, it is also designed to help them to make decisions about their future careers and university specialisms. We are incredibly grateful to the top quality organisations that gave up their time and shared their expertise in support of the programme.













Learning in Focus

Outstanding Achievers

I am also delighted to share with you some of our outstanding achievements that you can rely on at The BSE. Congratulations to the children, their hard work and commitment is reflected in their performance. Sincere thanks to Mr. Magdy and all the KS4 teachers on their contributions to these successes.

Please join me in congratulating them all and celebrating their achievements.

Best wishes,
Yasmin Tabram
Executive Principal

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Learning in Focus

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IN INTERNATIONAL AS-LEVEL MATHEMATICS



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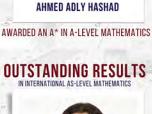
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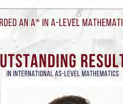
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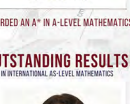
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OMAR AHMED ELKHADEM

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HAMZA MUHAMED SAMY

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KIRUTHIK PRANAV

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AREEJ ISLAM

100% IN PURE 1 MATHEMATICS

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AMIRA MEDHAT

100% IN PURE 1 MATHEMATICS

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MALAK MAHMOUD SAMIR

100% BIOLOGY U4

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MOHAMED SAMY ELSAYED

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MOHAMED AHMED IBRAHIM

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents & BSE Community

This half term has been another extremely busy and successful half term with a huge amount of activities and events for all of the students and families to enjoy. We have welcomed parents and family into lessons, we have enjoyed five consecutive days of Sports Days, there have been Key Stage performances and Class Assemblies and we have hosted our KS2 Iftar for pupils in Year 5 & 6.

In addition to all of the activities on site, our sporting teams have been successfully competing in Basketball, Football and Swimming locally against other schools. The following pages include some reports of their results.

Looking ahead to the summer term we are resuming our hugely popular ASA programme for four weeks. The activities on offer will once again cover all academic and sporting areas and provide opportunity for our school teams to practice and train ahead of their summer competitions.

More details will be sent to Parents in the Easter holidays along with sign up links and information regarding the sessions on offer. The provisional timetable for summer activities is outlined below:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Yr 1 Art & Yr 8 Art Leaders	Year 2 MultiSports	KS1 Music	**Yr 2 Art** + Yr7 Art Leaders
Year 2 Reading & Library	Year 1 Reading & Library	Year 3&4 Art	Year 1 MultiSports
Swimming Year 3&4 (25max)	Swimming Year 5&6 (25max)	Sharks Swim Year 4&5	Sharks Swim Year 6,7&8
Drama Yr 3&4	Year 3&4 Football (Open)	U10 & U14 Eagles Football	Drama Year 5&6
Year 5&6 Football (Open)	Year 5&6 Art	Year 5&6 Basketball	U12 Eagles Football
KS2 & KS3 Choir	KS3 Drama	Year 6 Maths Booster	U14 Bears Basketball
All Years 3-8 Dance Leaders	KS3 ICT (20 max)	KS3 Maths Booster Day	Primary ICT (30 max)
Science Booster Day	KS3 English Booster Day	Cooking External TBC	KS3 Extension *STEM & English*
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Kind regards

Tim Hoban
Principal The BSE

Thank you

Learning in Focus

News from Early Years

Learning in Focus

The Benefits of Reading

Children who read are more likely to be happier, healthier and experience better mental wellbeing and self-esteem.



They feel more secure and develop deep bonds with parents/carers.

- Shared reading in their early years supports the development of a child's attachment (how safe, secure and trusting they feel around their parent or carer). Attachment is essential to a child's future happiness, social competence and ability to form meaningful connections.
- Shared reading creates opportunities for joint attention and emotional closeness between a child and their parent or carer. The availability of the parent or carer during shared reading contributes to their sense of safety.
- Children with secure attachments are more likely to show enthusiasm and attention during shared reading, which motivates their parent/carer to read with them more frequently and reinforces their opportunity to feel safe, secure and protected.
- It is the emotional aspects of shared reading (cuddling, smiling, singing, and laughing) that boosts a child's brain activities needed to forge secure attachment, not the parent or carer's reading skill.

They have better sleep and lead healthier lifestyles

- Children ages 3-5 who are read to at bedtime sleep longer. Sleep plays a crucial role in the development of children, impacting their growth, motor skills, attention, behavioural regulation, memory, mood and resilience.

They have a better foundation for healthy social-emotional development

- Reading leads to children's improved social skills, attention and fewer negative behaviours.
- Shared reading increases parental warmth and reduces parental stress, enabling them to provide the sensitive and nurturing interactions their babies need to thrive.

They have better mental wellbeing and self-esteem

- By providing escapism and relaxation, reading can act as a protective factor against the adversity some children face.
- Children who regularly read for pleasure have better self-esteem and lower levels of emotional problems (such as hyperactivity and inattention) than those who don't.
- Children who read have higher levels of mental wellbeing and happiness.

Term 2 in Early Years

We are excited to share some of the amazing learning opportunities EYFS children have embraced during term 2 and we are sure you will agree they have had an engaging term.





SITARA THEATRE COMPANY

As part of our ongoing efforts to provide a broad and interesting curriculum, we arranged a visit from Sitara Theatre Company who brought their production of Monkey Puzzle. It was a wonderful experience for all EYFS children.

National Culture Week in EYFS

Throughout the week children participated in expressive arts activities inside their classroom; a wonderful Arabic assembly celebration and a super dress up day with a dish party of traditional food. The children had a great time celebrating and looked amazing in their costumes!













Happy Birthday Dr Seuss

Dr. Seuss's birthday is celebrated on March 2nd across the world and it celebrates both the birthday of Theodor Seuss Geisel and the National Education Association to endorse the importance of reading. Each class chose their own Dr Seuss Book and throughout the week they created different crafts related to their story. On his birthday teachers took their story to different classrooms so EYFS children could listen to different Dr Seuss stories. On his birthday, the children came to school with Dr Seuss hats and bow ties and they all looked amazing!

News from Early Years

Learning in Focus

EYFS TRIP - SANE ACADEMY

On this trip the children were learning about, Slime Making, Baking, Craft and/or Puppet making depending on their year group themes, thereby supporting children to explore and play with a wide range of materials. As you can see they all had a great experience.










EYFS SPORTS DAY

What an amazing day everyone had! The children were full of energy and enthusiasm with lots of team spirit flying! Parents were out in force to support their children and everyone had a super time! Well done EYFS - true sportsmanship!








EYFS PARENT LOTTO

Our famous Parent Lotto came around again in March and all the lucky winners arrived in school to participate with their children during one of their lessons. Parents watched their children being creative and even joined in with a few activities themselves. Lots of fun and learning for all!






News from Early Years



Learning in Focus

STEM WEEK IN EYFS

The children had so much fun with different experiments and activities throughout the week. Each day we had a text base and then we had an experiment related to the story.
Sunday: The 3 Billy Goats Gruff - we designed a new bridge to help the Billy Goats cross the bridge without disturbing the troll. **Monday**: The Gingerbread Man - we helped The Gingerbread Man cross the river by designing/creating a boat and testing if it sinks or floats OR testing natural materials to see whether they sink or float. **Tuesday**: Jack & the Beanstalk - we made a castle in the sky for the Giant. **Wednesday**: Charlie the Firefighter - Using our hose (straw), suck the water and shoot it out. Measure which hose was able to travel the furthest distance. **Thursday**: Humpty Dumpty - we helped to protect Humpty Dumpty by wrapping him using different materials and dropping him from a height. Which materials were the safest to protect Humpty?



EYFS PARENTS DAY SHOW

This year's event was a tribute to Elvis Presley and the children were all ready to 'Rock and Roll.' We welcomed the EYFS children and staff in, 'Viva Las Vegas' where the lights dazzled and the wonderful Early Years children astounded us with their musical tributes.



News from Early Years

INTRODUCING MINDFULNESS IN EYFS

Introducing the first of our "Mental Health Heroes"! Professor Pinwheel who is the first hero to take on THE NEGATRON! The sight of the huge cloud of negative energy takes Professor Pinwheel's BREATH away and he struggles to focus his mind! EYFS children started their Wellbeing journey to teach them how to use the power of their MIGHTY PINWHEELS to calm their minds and defeat THE NEGATRON!











Learning in Focus

Thank you!

Message from the Head of Primary

It has been another jam-packed half-term that I hope the parents have enjoyed as much as the children and Primary team! The Primary team would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents and adults who attended and participated in the many wonderful events that took place this half term.

Parents earned house points for their child's team during the sports day, dancing and participating in allocated activities. Year 3 and Year 4 performed wonderful productions of Beauty and the Beast and Encanto, both such magical performances; Bravo!

Not forgetting our 'Special Person's Day'! We had a tremendous turnout for this event, and it was very touching to see the children spending quality time with the special person in their lives. Thank you to the adults that attended and to the primary team for planning such meaningful activities. I do hope that the memories created will be remembered and cherished for many years to come, and we look forward to creating so many more.








Learning in Focus

Spring Term 'Great to be Green' Raffle Winners

Congratulations to all of our winners of our 'Great to be Green' Raffle! These pupils have demonstrated exceptional behaviour throughout the term, allowing them to be entered into the draw. The more a child remains on 'green', the more chances they have of winning!

Good luck to everyone next term; keep meeting those 'green expectations'!

February 2023 Great to be Green Winners	April 2023 Great to be Green Winners
Zain Rami 1E	Kinda Hany Mohamed 1B
Amina Mohamed Nabil 1D	Omar Ahmed Zaki 1A
Karma Refaee Rabie 2B	Patrick Peter Magdy 2D
Farida Mohamed Nassar 2A	Habiba Bassem Mamdouh 2C
Alia Hisham Elhelw 3D	Malika Ibrahim 3E
Karma Yasser Ahmed 3A	Malek Tamer Ahmed 3C
Nicole George Atef 4A	Alexander Hazem Mounir 4D
Salma Khalid 4C	Lara Amr Ahmed 4C
Fatima Ayman Ahmed 5E	Talia Mohamed 5C
Mourad Amr Reda 5D	Layan Yasser Kamel 5E
Hala Mahmoud Mohsen 6E	Laila Mohamed 6C
Nadim Sherif Mohamed 6A	Talia Ahmed Mohamed 6A

Message from the Head of Primary

Primary House Point totals so far…

This term's events have helped our Houses rack up the house point totals! Children have received house points for a variety of reasons, such as academic achievements, excellent behaviour, kindness, sporting achievements and participation during events.

Well done to all the pupils; keep up the excellent efforts, and please remember that every house point counts!

Position	House	Total So Far
1st Place	Balmoral	33,605
2nd Place	Stormont	33,540
3rd Place	Windsor	30,999
4th Place	Cardiff	30,189

I do hope you enjoy reading all about our exciting learning experience this half term, and on behalf of the Primary team, we wish you a restful and enjoyable holiday.

News from Year One

The children continue to build on their learning as our journey takes us to the end of Term 2.
There was a great deal of positive energy around the school this half-term. Year 1 teachers and children have embraced and participated in the school events to ensure that all students experience high quality academic and social outcomes.
Dr Seuss's birthday!

This half-term Y1 children celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday. Theodor Seuss Geisel was an American artist, book publisher, animator, poet, a cartoonist as well as an author.
His birthday is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually on 2nd of March and aims to build up student's excitement to read and explore rhyming words.

To celebrate this day, students wore fun Dr. Seuss inspired hats, we made creative and colourful crafts inspired by his books. We also had fun swapping teachers who read aloud different Seuss' stories.

"The more that you read, the more things you learn,the more that you learn, the more places you'll go" - Dr. Seuss, I can Read with My Eyes Shut!







Learning in Focus

News from Year One



Sports Day

Children came ready and dressed up in their house t-shirts; Red for Windsor, Green for Stormont, Blue for Balmoral and Yellow for Cardiff.
It was a day full of activities, great music, lots of laughter and applause.



The children loved having their families there for support and were thrilled when they participated in the dancing station.
To promote the children's sportsmanship, we congratulated the winning house then children from all houses took a picture with the cup. We are so proud of the student's hard work on that day and we are mostly impressed with their sportsmanship and care about each other!



Sane Trip

Year 1 had a blast on their field trip to "SANE Academy". The highly experienced staff encouraged our children to be adventurous, try new things, and learn new skills.
We enjoyed indoor activities by engaging our five senses during slime making, baking pancakes and puppet making.
We took part in a variety of thrilling outdoor activities including climbing, navigating through a maze and overcoming obstacle courses.
Children had the opportunity to develop essential life skills such as confidence, teamwork and communication.
It was a day full of fun, excitement, pictures and memories!



Stem Week.

We do believe that all children behave like "little scientists" in that they are eager to learn, observe and make "What if" discoveries about their world.
Children test the environment to see what happens around them. To support their curiosity, We prepared some experiments to explain simple concepts related to our topic "seasons" such as; "How clouds are formed?" and "Where does rain come from?"

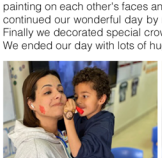


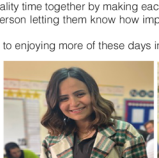
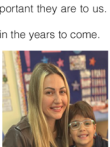
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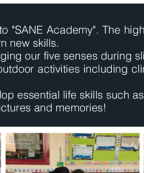
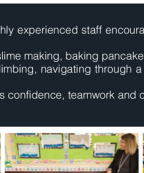
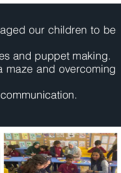
News from Year One

Special Person's Day.
Teachers all across year 1 took the time to prepare different activities to surprise the special person in each child's life. We spent the day playing games, laughing and enjoying each other's company.
There were many activities put together for each child to bond with their special person. We showed off our creativity by painting on each other's faces and hand prints then we spent quality time together by making each other bracelets. We continued our wonderful day by making cards for our special person letting them know how important they are to us. Finally we decorated special crowns for our special person.
We ended our day with lots of hugs and smiles. We look forward to enjoying more of these days in the years to come.



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News from Year Two

We have been so busy this term, with so many wonderful events and unfortunately the term is over, but we have so many things to look forward to next term including celebrating all things summer and moving up to our new classes!
Here are a few highlight from this term:
Although it was chilly at the start of the term, nothing can stop the Dr Seuss's truffula trees from growing!



We celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday for a whole week; Dr. Seuss was a storyteller in the grandest sense of the word. Not only did he tell fantastical tales of far-away places but he also gave us a unique visual language that carried his stories to new heights of artistic expression. During this week we made a class crafts, had a teacher swap and also created our very own Dr. Seuss hats. The children thoroughly enjoyed the rhyming activities and reading the amazing books by Dr Seuss.



Following Dr Seuss's birthday we then had our whole school Sports day. All the children enjoyed participating in the events, especially the dance off. Sports day is a vital part of growing up as the event teaches children respect. When children play team sports, they learn to respect other people, the rules, authority as well as their opponents. We also managed to link sports day to PSHE and developed a better understanding of good sportsmanship.

News from Year Two







The fun did not stop there, after Sports day we turned into wacky scientists to celebrate British Science week. Over the course of the week we did so many experiments including making a volcano, lava lamp, creating magnets and building a propeller for a helicopter. We explored our world, asked lots of questions, and experimented to understand everything around us, it was so enlightening!







Special person's day was a huge success in Year 2 also! Each child invited one grown-up who was special to them and they welcomed them into their classroom. The grown-ups seemed to enjoy the day more than the children, it was truly a heart warming day. It was not only a fun day, it was also a day for well-being as Children whose parents are involved in school perform better at school as they feel valued and important because their parents are taking an interest in their lives.

We then celebrated the holy month of Ramadan, where we collected both food and money for a local orphanage and made our very own lanterns.

In addition to all of the above we also learnt about growth and development, by focusing on time and planting. It was a very busy term but an incredible journey for us!





Learning in Focus

News from Year Three

This term was full of fun events and activities for Year 3.

Dr.Seuss day!

The children enjoyed various activities related to Dr. Seuss, they were able to create a new and creative Dr. Suess hat design. A competition was held to choose the best three designs among Year 3. The children enjoyed other activities like reading Dr. Seuss books, engaging in different rhyming activities and various class crafts.





Science Week

The BSE celebrated Science week with different activities like the wacky scientist day ,where children had the chance to dress up as a crazy scientist. The highlight of the week was the Science competition held in the school theater, where we recreated the international game show (Who wants to be a millionaire?) answering science related questions about things we learned.

The pictures below show children conducting different experiments learning about plants' growth factors and water transport.





Year 3 at the Pyramids!

Year 3 enjoyed a trip to the pyramids this term, the children really benefited from this fun learning experience. They were engaged in a fun treasure hunt around the Pyramids and the Sphinx. Our children were introduced to a new era of desert adventures and sightseeing which gave them a unique and an unforgettable experience.









Special Person's Day

On the 21st of March ,we celebrated Special Person's Day. It was a delightful event where parents and loved ones got to reconnect and share some quality times with their children within the classroom environment. Everyone enjoyed a variety of activities including story reading, creating crafts and much more.





Learning in Focus

News from Year Three





Sports Day

Both parents and children enjoyed this fun day packed with activities, competitions, dancing and more. Parents and guardians had the opportunity to watch their kids compete against other teams and were able to join them in some of the games.







News from Year Four

What's up with Money & Decimals?

Maths learning is just getting better this half-term. As we have become the masters of addition and subtraction, we are now learning to add and subtract larger digits using the compact and expanded method. It didn't get less exciting when learning to add and subtract decimal numbers and amounts of money. It wasn't always easy, but through visual and tangible aids, we were able to calculate a change from an amount, and add up the price of multiple items together.













Learning in Focus

News from Year Four





Spiderwick Chronicles Role-Play ..

Our exceptional Year Four learners explored fantasy fiction by the two remarkable talents: The New York Times best sellers Tony DiTerrlizi and Holly Black, who have risked everything to bring this remarkable account to light. They have developed understanding of inference and have used drama to explore the main characters, the three ordinary kids: Jared, Simon and Mallory Grace, who have entered another world without leaving this one! Our little authors developed their editing and proofreading skills by planning, editing and writing a new episode of the fantasy story they have studied. Finally, they showcased their hidden talents by doing a Role Play in their groups, using facial expressions and body language!













Science is so much fun! Don't you agree?

Yes! Because it contains literally everything in this world as a field of study. It is all about finding answers and using those answers to learn something new. This half term, the children celebrated STEM Week and enjoyed doing some wonderful classroom activities to prove this. They showed their creativity by producing mind-blowing posters. Our main focus for the week was the Dreamvention activity! Students were encouraged to come up with their own dream inventions that they wish existed! Science week was about to go, so the children celebrated with a Crazy Scientist Dress-Up Day. It was a blast seeing all our little scientists having an amazing time. It's always fun to understand why things behave the way they do!





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A Trip to "Saqqara Pyramid" ..

This half-term, Year four children had a lovely field trip to the "Saqqara Pyramid. The children enjoyed desert adventures, sightseeing tours and various sports recreation activities. The tour included a treasure hunt and covered all the main sights of the area. The children learned all about Saqqara; the vast, ancient burial ground which served as the necropolis for the Ancient Egyptian capital, Memphis. Our students surely had a unique and unforgettable experience!





News from Year Four

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Celebrating a Special Person's Day!

The Primary School held its very first celebration of Special Person's Day. Family members and their children were given a chance to celebrate the meaning of being a family and have spent quality time with their loved ones by participating in fun activities together.





News from Year Four

A Day in Ancient Egypt!

We travelled back in time to learn about our great ancestors, The Ancient Egyptians! We had a sneak peak on their daily life in many aspects as well as their social hierarchy. We explored why the River Nile was essential to their survival in terms of trade, transportation, agriculture, papyrus, source of food and water. In addition to how the Egyptian Embalmers were so skilled, that even today people that were mummified thousands of years ago still have some recognisable features, thanks to the secrets of their mysterious mummification process. Finally, we were inspired by the Ancient Craftsmen to make our own jewellery, ancient collars, belts, iconic symbols and so much more.







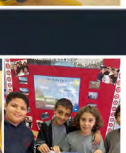



News from Year Five

"Talent is the seed, hardwork is the stem, Perseverance is the branch,and success is the fruit" Teachers grow more proud as each term goes by and they witness the results of their students' toil. This term was jam-packed with educational events that enriched our Bseians' educations and moulded their personalities.

Museum Of Fun

The children investigated the goal of running the Museum of Fun during literacy time. As they read the interactive eBook, they skimmed, summarised, and connected the content to their own lives and experiences. The pupils made posters to entice people to the Museum of Fun so they could learn about the wonderful ways humans have amused themselves throughout time and around the globe! In order to attract people to visit the museum, they planned, wrote, and delivered television advertising as part of their purpose.




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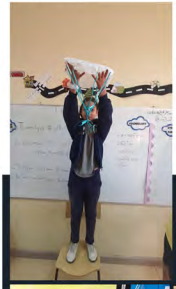
Have fun reading scales!
The students have studied conversions between kilograms and grams as well as how to use scales to weigh amounts to the closest half-interval. In order to consolidate their knowledge of reading scales, the children were busy weighing various objects from within the classroom and reading the exact weight of each item.







Force and Motion
Our children studied forces and their various kinds. The pupils were given the opportunity to gain a deeper grasp of the various natural and applied forces that are present. The students had the chance to experiment with the applied forces for themselves. In order to test air resistance and understand how it affects our daily lives, they constructed their own parachute and conducted experiments to determine how air resistance can lessen the shock of impact and increase the safety of landing.















Greek Civilisation
The students' unique designs, arts, and crafts for their own Greek gallery gave them a wonderful experience during our trip back to ancient Greece. They had the chance to learn about the Ancient Greeks while engaging in creative activities at various stations, which included creating and painting shields, forging swords, and decorating and colouring Greek vases.



News from Year Five

Dr.Seuss Week!

During Dr. Seuss's birthday celebrations, each class read a different Dr. Seuss story aloud, experimented with rhyme schemes, looked for nonsense rhymes, finished absurd rhyme strings, and made class crafts based on the stories they had read. Also, students used their creativity to design a new hat for the Cat in the Hat in place of the one he lost.











Special Person's Day!

The annual tradition of having a "special person's day" is a wonderful way for students to share a morning with their special person. Guests were invited to the classroom, where students shared poems, songs, fun games, and many other activities that brought joy and happiness to the children and their special ones.











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News from Year Five

Museum Of Civilisations

At the end of this term, the students learned about our ancient Egyptians and their way of life on an engaging field trip to the Museum of Civilisations. They learned about the diversity and wealth of Egyptian culture throughout the years, from prehistory to the present, by focusing on its stability and continuity, as demonstrated by its tangible and intangible heritage.







News from Year SIX

Our trip to the Citadel!

We truly enjoyed our trip to the Citadel this half-term! Our Year 6 historians were ecstatic to participate in an engaging treasure hunt with the wonderful Remal Adventures Egypt. Our favourite part of the trip was exploring the old prisons that were built onsite!







News from Year Six

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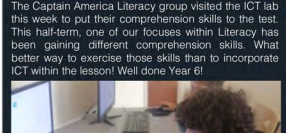
Mirror Maze!
Our Science unit this half-term is all about Light! We completed many experiments this half-term but this one has to be the best one yet! Our pupils were put to the test to complete a maze using lasers. By using mini-mirrors, they were tasked to get the light from the laser to reflect at a certain end point. What a challenge that was!





Comprehension Skills in the ICT Lab!
The Captain America Literacy group visited the ICT lab this week to put their comprehension skills to the test. This half-term, one of our focuses within Literacy has been gaining different comprehension skills. What better way to exercise those skills than to incorporate ICT within the lesson! Well done Year 6!



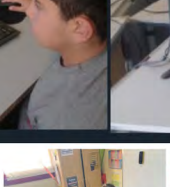






Special Person's Day

On March 21st, 2023 we celebrated Special Person's Day across the primary school. Every Year 6 class completed different engaging activities to complete with our pupil's special person. It was a wonderful day filled with smiles and laughter. Definitely a memory that will last forever within our BSE community. Check out the pictures below!





News from Year Six





House News

EYFS Sports Day

Do you know how exciting are sports days to everyone at the BSE? Well, it's one of the most enjoyable events throughout the entire year. Our reliable and responsible House Captains worked tirelessly to support the little ones at EYFS on their big day! House Captains led their parade, encouraged the little competitors, cheered using drums and flags and finally celebrated their success and announced the winning house.

















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Ramadan Hampers Packing

As we persistently try our best and spare no effort to help the less fortunate, our dedicated House Captains visited most of the primary school classes to encourage the children to participate in this wonderful chance of giving. In addition, volunteered to sort and pack all collected Ramadan Hampers from the Primary families. The aim of this pupil-led initiative was to raise awareness of the values of compassion and empathy for others and most importantly, to provide the daily basic needs for fasting families during the holy month, help them cope with these difficult times and enjoy a variety of delicious meals. What an awesome feeling!





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House News

Reliable Roles and Responsibilities

Our House Captains keep the wheels turning by constantly being actively engaged in a series of interesting ongoing events; updating the Primary House Display Board with the total house points earned, announcing the points on stage during the weekly assembly of their year group. On a frequent basis, attending weekly meetings with the House Coordinator to continue brainstorming ideas for promoting positive approaches and interactions amongst all students, leading and representing their houses in organising events for the benefit of the school and the community.









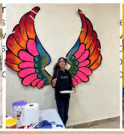




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News from the Music Department



We were delighted to share the successful performances of our Year 4 students in Encanto and Year 3 students in Beauty and the Beast this half-term! The students worked incredibly hard to put on such amazing shows, and we are proud of their dedication and creativity.

Encanto was a unique and colourful performance that showcased the talents of our Year 4 students. The story, music and dance performances were captivating, and we received great feedback from the audience.
Similarly, the Year 3 students wowed us with their heartfelt performance of Beauty and the Beast. Their acting, singing and dancing were all outstanding, and the students demonstrated great teamwork and collaboration.

We are also happy to inform you that our Year 1 and 2 students are currently preparing for their upcoming shows, and we are excited to see what they have in store.

In other news, our KS2 students are developing their musical skills by playing the recorder during their music lessons. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to explore different forms of creativity while learning a variety of different songs.

News from the Performing Arts Department

Year 1 are practising their scenes to put on a show called Disneyland stories. They are learning their lines and acting their chosen character. They will soon rehearse in the theatre to perform the whole story. They are performing with expression and using their voice to express the feeling of their character.



Year 2 are practising their scenes to put on a show called Oliver Twist. They are divided into acting groups to perform their scenes. The activity develops their acting ability and allows them to see ways in which they can present and express different moods as an actor. Play and Perform different roles in groups and make dramatic conventions using body language and facial expressions.



Year 3 are using Mime to Play and Perform different roles in groups and make dramatic conventions using body language and facial expressions. They will present different skits in the class.



News from the Performing Arts Department

Over the course of this term our talented KS2 Drama pupils learned more about devising.

Devising is a group collaboration in response to a stimulus leading to the creation of an original performance. The teacher can select any stimulus or any combination of stimuli: an image, a text (such as a poem, story or piece of nonfiction), an object or a piece of music, for example. From here the possibilities are endless. Groups must work collaboratively to generate the devised performance and to challenge each other to develop creative ways of using voice, movement and space.

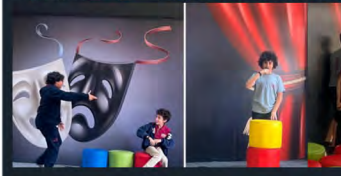
Drama brings elements of play, humor, and laughter to those taking part – improves motivation and reduces stress and also helps to develop a healthy appreciation of culture and the arts.





















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News from the Primary Art Department

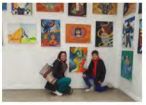
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I am excited to share with you all the latest news and updates from the world of art.
This semester was particularly special to me and our outstanding BSE artists, I was proud of my students since we went to the Grand Egyptian Museum, and their artwork was displayed there, and they became more self-confident as a result. which included students who competed in the El Hayah Academy competition.
"Through these forms of immersion, we may boost our positive emotions or feel a bit more alive," explains Cotter.
Visiting a museum can also induce reflection and contemplative states, which enable us to think about ourselves and our lives differently, form new connections, and expose ourselves to newer perspectives



A VISIT TO THE GRAND EGYPTION MUSUEM





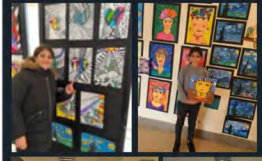
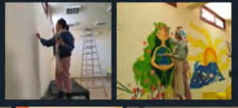
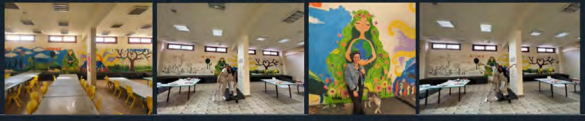
Our Ks2 students also celebrated Ramadan along the road by learning how to draw a lantern, creating very cool 2D Ramadan Cards and also they learnt how to draw the perspective



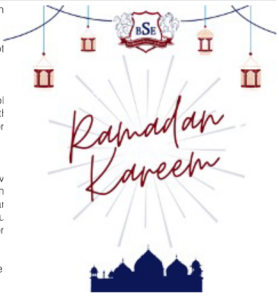
Art Exhibition
Our mini Artist Artwork is presented in the school reception and corridors



Murals
The school cafeteria is decorated with Murals and the students were very excited to paint

Pastoral and Behaviour Department News



The Pastoral Department would like to wish those observin Ramadan a blessed Holy Month.

Fasting in Ramadan has been scientifically proven to benefit bot the body and mind through the following:

- Exercising self-control:
Fasting is not only about abstaining from food and drink. Peopl abstain from anger, gossiping, impulsive behaviours and so fortl By mastering self-control, one can be able to become mor self-aware.

- Boosting your brain and mental health:
No doubt you'll be aware of the positive effects fasting can hav on your mental wellbeing and spiritual focus, but th brain-boosting powers of Ramadan are even more significar than you might think. Research has found that the mental focu achieved during Ramadan allows the body to produce mor brain cells, thus improving brain function.
In addition, the amount of the hormone cortisol is reduced, this produced by the adrenal gland, allows stress and anxiety leve to be greatly reduced both during and after Ramadan.

- Absorbing more nutrients:
By fasting, you'll find that your metabolism becomes more efficient, meaning the amount of nutrients you absorb from food improves. This will lead to health benefits all around the body, as various areas are able to better absorb and make use of the nutrients they need to function.

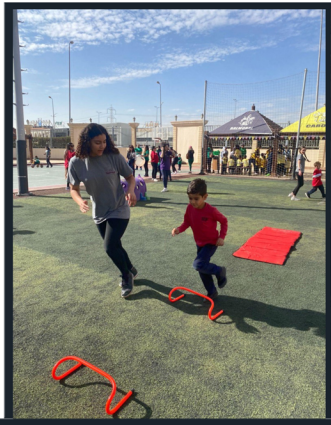
- Detoxing:
By not eating or drinking throughout the day your body will be offered the rare chance to detoxify your digestive system. When your body starts eating into fat reserves to create energy, it will also burn away any harmful toxins that might be present in fat deposits. This detox will leave a healthy blank slate behind, and is the perfect stepping stone to a consistently healthy lifestyle.

- Eliminating bad habits:
Because you will be fasting during the day, Ramadan is the perfect time to ditch your bad habits for good. Vices such as sugary foods and drinks should not be indulged during Ramadan, and as you abstain from them your body will gradually acclimatize to their absence, until your habit is kicked for good.

Secondary School Sports Leaders Event

The Pastoral Department was pleased to organise the Primary Sports Day Leadership event, where students from KS3 and 4 acted as Sports Leaders.

The students were coaching and supporting the youngsters, assisting the PE staff, taking responsibility for small teams, judging and refereeing the events. They were also helping the effective running of the Sports day, practising their leadership and social skills as well as giving back to the community.







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Pastoral and Behaviour Department News





We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Sports Leaders for their effort! Well done!

Ali Megahed 9B	Farida Wael 7E	Karma Waleed 7B	Mariam Sherif 9E	Rafif Roshdy 9A
Ali Sherif 7F	Habiba Sameh 8D	Laila Abdelgawad 7D	Marwan Abotria 8F	Romaisaa Mohamed 8D
Adam Botha 7B	Hana Haitham 7E	Laila El Banna 8A	May Ramy 7F	Retaj Soliman 7D
Dalia Gamal 7F	Hana Hazem 8C	Lara Gergawy 9C	Mona El Alfy 10D	Saptasho Sanjay 7E
Dana Sherif 9C	Jamila Shoukry 8E	Lela Salman 8E	Mohamed Karim 9B	Tia Ahmed 8A
Emad El Din Yehia 8B	Jana Youssef 8D	Lilly Gergawy 9C	Noor Sallman 9E	
Fajer Amro 9B	Kanzie Waleed 7B	Mariam El Helw 9E	Nour Doha 10D	
Farida Osman 7F	Karma Elguindy 9A	Mariam El Helw 9E	Omar Nehad 9D	

We would also like to thank the following pupils for their determination and effort in lessons.

Year 7
Adam Frederik 7B
Ali Al Nashar 7C
Alia Mohab 7A
Carla Raouf 7A
Farida Hisham 7A
Jana Abdelwahed 7A
Karmah Walid 7B
Laila Hisham 7A
Laila Mansour 7C
Lara Mahmoud 7A
Laya Alwis 7B
Lojain Mahmoud 7B
Mariam Nassar 7B
Maya El Menoufy 7C
Saptasho Sanjay 7E
Selim El Gendy 7A
Taya Ashraf 7C

Year 8
Amin Hassan 8D
Ibrahim Negm 8D
Farida Nabil 8D
Habiba Sameh 8D
Jana Mohab 8F
Jude Manaf 8F
Karma Waleed 8D
Mazen Amr 8F
Nada Hossam 8F
Nadine Akef 8F
Romaisaa Mohamed 8D
Salma Imam 8F
Selim Sameh 8D
Yassin Ehab 8F
Yehia Adel 8D

Year 9
Aliaa Boghdady 9B
Aliaa Gharib 9B
Dana Sherif 9C
Fajer Amro 9B
Ibrahim Kassem 9D
Jayda Oleimy 9B
Karma Oleimy 9B
Laila Arafa 9A
Mohamed Karim 9B
Noureldin Ibrahim 9B
Omar Nehad 9D
Rafif Roushdy 9A
Tareq Zeyad 9C
Ummukursum Yahaya 9C
Youssef Karazi 9D

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Throughout this term The BSE Sharks have successfully competed at two Cairo Schools Swim Competitions and the early season has seen over 40 students represent the school in these events. The Sharks Swim Team list is as follows:

Ali Tarek Amin Zamzam	4D	Youssef Mohamed Tantawey	7D
Omar wael Abdelwhab	4B	Malek Ahmed Saad	7F
Jaida Mohamed metally	4A	Ahmed Amr Ahmed	7D
Tia Ahmed Aboul afa	4A	Nelly Walla Mohamed	7E
Amenna Mohamed Maged	5A	Malak Mohamed Hegazy	7E
Alia Sherif Mohsen	5E	Malak Mohamed El Agaty	7F
Mohamed Amr Hegab	5E	Laila Ahmed EL Ansary	7B
Nour Mohamed Elwany	5D	Malak Ahmed Azmy	8C
Hassan Mostafa Eganzoury	5A	Laila Mostafa Ganzoury	8A
Hana Ahmed Gomaa	5E	Khadiga Mostafa	8B
Adam Tamer Mohamed Saed	5E	Mostafa Hegab	8B
Mourad Amr Orensa	5B	Ibrahim Mohamed Maged Negm	8E
Omar Maged Shawky Saad	6B	Omar Kandil	8B
Yousef Tarek Zamzam	6B	Marwan Ahmed	8B
Khadija Alaa ElDin Mohamed Farid ElBanna	6C	Yousef Mahdy	8D
Adam Mina Wasef	6C	Omar Samy	8B
Laila Arafa	9A	Selim Ehab	9F
Laila Gamal	9A	Ali El Ansary	9E
Selim Mohsen	9F	Seif Metwally	9F
Malek Hassan	10	Adham Kandil	9F
Mazen Mohamed Hegazy	10C		

News from the PE Department

While the Sharks Team were recently competing in the Cairo League three of our outstanding KS3 swimmers were competing in the National Championships in Alexandria - achieving some excellent results and finishing their National season with some fantastic rankings:

The successful boys are pictured here alongside Malek Amr at the recent ISC Swim Competition in New Cairo



Seif Metwally
- Ranked 5th in 200 IM
- Ranked 6th in 400 IM
- Ranked 9th in 100 Fly
- Ranked 11th in 800 Free
- Ranked 12th in 400 Free

Adham Kandil
- Ranked 6th in 200 FS
- Ranked 12th in 50 Fly
- 13th in 100 FS

Selim Mohsen
- Ranked 11th in 50 FS
- Ranked 17th in 50 Fly
- Ranked 17th in 50 BS

A montage from the last half term of the Sharks at two competitions:



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Cairo Swim Gala

March 2023

Final Overall Results

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News from the PE Department

The BSE at The International Schools Tournament Cup
U14 Boys

Coach Bebo, Coach Esraa and Coach Ahmed took the U14 Boys Football Team to participate in the International Schools Tournament Cup at the Egyptian Shooting Club in 6th of October on March 9th and 11th. The boys won their Pool with an opening loss to GL (0-1) and a win against American City (1-0). They played extremely well in the knockout stage which led to a 2nd Place finish overall.

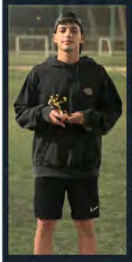




(Front L-R) Youssef George, Yahia Yasser, Aly Megahad, Karim Brins
Mourad Sherif, Yassin Anwar, Taquie Karim **Top Goalkeeper**
(Back L-R) Yassin El Anany, Mohamed Eid, Youssef Sahar,Omar El Sherei, Karim Brins, Ali Tawfik

U17 Boys Football

On March 11th the U17 Boys Football Team took part in the International Schools Tournament Cup at the Egyptian Shooting Club in 6th of October. After winning their Pool by defeating Beverly Hills (2-0) and AIS (3-2) it was onto the knockout stage. The boys made it to the Final but came up a little short which resulted in a 2nd Place finish.





(Front L-R) Karim Sherif, Omar Hassan, Mohamed Samy,Abd El Rahman Rahman Samir, Yehia TamerEl Naggar
(Back L-R) Coach Ahmed, Ahmed Sherif, Hamza Samy, Yassin Essawy,
Top Scorer Youssef El Gindy, Abdelrahman El Anany, Youssef Ahmed, Omar Mezar, Taleb Azmi, Abdallah El Hussieny, Aley El Anany, Coach Bebo, Ahmed Adly

The BSE would like to extend a big thank you to the parents for supporting these events and the school. Your ongoing support of BSE sports is very much appreciated

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News from the PE Department

Sports Days at The BSE - March 5th to 9th

During the week of March 5th to 9th, Sports Days for EYFS, KS1, KS2 and KS3 took place. While it was a very busy week, students, teachers and parents had a great time. Congratulations to WINDSOR for winning the overall title. Final results are below.





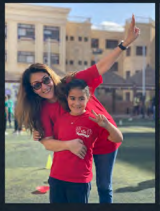














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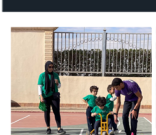
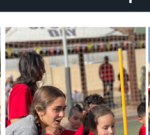
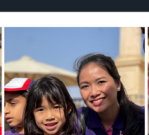
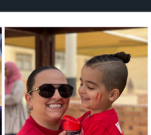













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EYFS

Year Group	Balmoral	Cardiff	Stormont	Windsor
PreF / F1	748	833	827	946
F2	1003	1007	951	1181
Total	1751	1840	1778	2127

Primary

Year Group	Balmoral	Cardiff	Stormont	Windsor
Year 1 / 2	1678	1679	1669	1711
Year 3	791	800	765	740
Year 4	718	692	614	803
Year 5	979	999	946	1120
Year 6	821	790	746	801
Total	4987	4960	4740	5175

News from the PE Department

Secondary

Year Group	Balmoral	Cardiff	Stormont	Windsor
Year 7	491	419	473	420
Year 8	513	527	521	537
Year 9	674	699	723	765
Total	1678	1645	1717	1722
Total Points	8416 (3)	8445 (2)	8235 (4)	9024 (1)

Upcoming Events

May 6 - U14 Boys Football @AISW
May 12 - U14 Boys & Girls CISSA Basketball @El Alsson
- Cairo Swim League @BISC
- U10 Boys & Girls Football Friendly @AISW
May 13 - U12 Boys & Girls Football Friendly @AISW
May 19 - U14 Boys & Girls CISSA Football @BISC
June 9 - U10 Boys & Girls CISSA Football @BSE
- U12 Boys & Girls CISSA Football - TBC

News from the ALDD

Celebrating Autism Awareness and Acceptance Day



The BSE promotes inclusion and understands that all pupils have a variety of different learning needs. As a school, we believe firmly in our mission to support and promote inclusion in all its forms within our school community and our wider community.

As part of World Autism Acceptance Month in April, which takes place annually on April 2nd, we celebrated Autism Awareness Day this year by running activities with our pupils to raise understanding and acceptance of people with Autism. The staff and children dressed in Blue to demonstrate our solidarity and commitment to raising awareness of this important cause and participated in some wonderful activities planned by our teachers.

What is Autism, and how do we support our students?

Autism is a neurodevelopmental condition that affects 1-2 % of the population. Autistic individuals are described as having difficulties with communication, social interaction and repetitive and restrictive behaviours. However, we also see our pupils as unique individuals with many strengths. They are the most extraordinary people because autistic individuals are not tied to social expectations and norms, and they live in the moment. Autistic people rarely lie and judge others. They usually have fantastic memories and a very strong sense of justice.



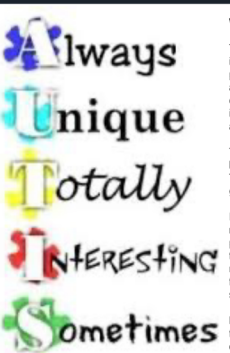




In The BSE, we support our students by creating a calm and engaging learning environment, listening to their voices and incorporating their special interests and affinities in lessons and learning. We provide individualized communication aids to support their communication and social interaction. We always respect and celebrate their wishes, views and their uniqueness!

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News from the ALDD



Why should children befriend children with Special Needs?

Teaching inclusion is something you may not think about, but it is important for both children with special needs and their typical peers. Children with special needs benefit from inclusion because it allows them to learn from their peers. This can boost their confidence and self-esteem, and for typically developing children, inclusion teaches empathy. It also promotes diversity acceptance and can lead to increase academic performance.

There are many resources you can use to increase your children's knowledge and awareness of children with special needs. Books, TV shows like Sesame Street, and even Facebook groups can be a great resource for learning.

Including classmates with special needs is a simple start, as they may not know how to ask to join in. Teach your child to have patience and explain what the activity is to their classmate. Explain to them that some children may need to take extra breaks and may need a little extra help to complete the activity at hand. Kids who are friendly with children with special needs will also strengthen their sense of patience, empathy and flexibility.

Befriending a child with special needs can open a typically-developing child's mind to a glorious variety of people that exist in this world. Your child will have the opportunity to make new friends, and your child's classmate with special needs will have the opportunity to make friends. Sounds like a win-win!
Learning how to adapt to another person's perspective is a valuable life skill for children from both sides of these friendships that they will carry with them into adulthood.

Thank you
As we reach the mid-point of the school year, we wanted to say a big thank you for all your ongoing support.

Have a wonderful break with your children!

News from the French Department

PRIMARY SCHOOL
Bonjour chers Parents !
Spring break is right around the corner, I wish you all a happy and healthy holiday, it is well deserved. I'll be giving you a brief insight on what we have been doing lately at school.

Year 1



Our super duper year 1 children got very excited to celebrate the holy month of Ramadan by creating and colouring their Ramadan Lanterns. They also enjoyed learning how to say HAPPY RAMADAN in French "JOYEUX RAMADAN". Children also have been enjoying learning the body parts vocabulary and they have had so much fun developing their communication skills by singing an action French song "Tête, épaules, genoux et pieds". Action songs are a fun way to entertain children. The gestures that accompany the rhymes make them even more memorable and provide contextual cues as well as ways to remember the words. Furthermore, children had super fun celebrating the Special Person's Day/ Mother's Day. They celebrated the special person/ people in their lives by making and colouring lovely cards where they wish them a happy day in French "BONNE FÊTE". Children got very excited and shared their cards with their families.

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News from the French Department

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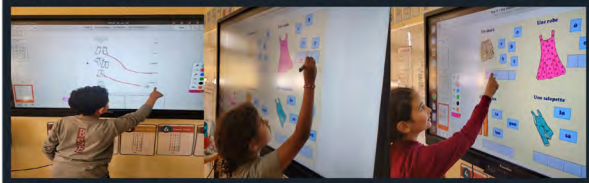




Year 2

Our creative year 2 children celebrated the holy month of Ramadan by creating and colouring their Ramadan Lanterns. They also had a lot of fun saying and singing HAPPY RAMADAN in French "JOYEUX RAMADAN". Children also enjoyed learning about school supplies and practicing reading and speaking about which school supplies they have and do not have. In addition to school supplies vocabulary, they learned to use the indefinite articles "un - une - des" to identify the gender of each school's supplies. Children surprised us by their amazing work about school supplies and they got rewarded with certificates for their great exerted efforts and academic achievement.



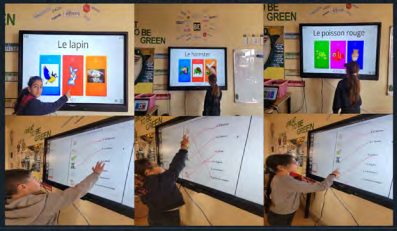


Year 3

Our fantastic year 3 children have been enjoying learning the French vocabulary for clothing throughout a variety of engaging activities on the smartboard (e.g. Jumbled words and letters games, words and pictures matching activities, labeling clothes photos in French, etc.) Children learned to list and pronounce common clothing terms in French. They also identified the role of gender in French nouns.

Year 4

In year 4, our amazing children got excited learning about pets. They learned to identify and name certain animals in French while participating in a variety of engaging activities and fun games. For example, children participated in a matching activity with fantastic illustration where they matched the pet picture with its corresponding French word. They also enhanced their speaking and reading skills by reading and pronouncing the pets' vocabulary in French.



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Year 5

During this half term, our wonderful year 5 children identified and reviewed the body parts vocabulary in French throughout a variety of speaking and listening activities. They have been also enjoying learning about body parts through various engaging activities on the white and smart boards. (e.g crossword puzzles, word searches, body parts labeling activities and more.) to be able to say how they feel and what part of the body is hurting.



Year 6

During this midterm, our smart year 6 students had a lot of fun learning about the prepositions of place in French and understood their pronunciation. They enjoyed learning how to indicate the location of someone or something in relation to another someone or something throughout different games and activities (e.g. Reading and matching words to images, observing images and drag and drop the correct word to its corresponding image)

Students got very excited and did a great job.





We have had a busy second half of the Spring term where KS3 students have been preparing themselves for their end of term assessments and where KS4 have been working on revision for their Mock exams while improving their communication, reading and writing skills. They have worked hard, showed continuous effort and met expectations.



Year 7

During this half term, year 7 students had a lot of fun learning how to ask for and tell the time in French, and say when they have such a school subject on their schedule. They practiced telling and writing the time in French through a nicely organised set of activities. For example, a partnered speaking activity where they practiced asking for and telling the time in French, a puzzle pieces to put the times together, fill in the clock faces with the appropriate times, matching clocks to words and, lastly, writing the time under each clock face.

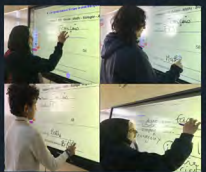
News from the French Department



Year 8

Our smart students in Yr8 have been enjoying learning about different types of TV programs in French and saying what kind of program they like or dislike giving their opinions. They have also been taught to name different types of films in French and say which movie they are going to watch at the cinema and at what time using "le Futur Proche" (The near future tense).

Students also learned to identify the names of the most common types of shops/ stores in French while participating in a variety of activities and games on the smartboard. For example, drag and drop each keyword next to its corresponding image, choose the correct answer, etc.)



Year 9

In year 9, this half term, students talked about their school subjects, understood why languages are important and expressed their opinions about the school subjects they have at school. They learned how to give positive or negative opinions in French about their school subjects. They also enhanced their writing skills by writing a paragraph of 80-90 words describing their school and making correct sentences using the prepositions of place.
Well done year 9!

As always, thank you for all your continued support. Wishing you and your family happy spring holidays and a happy blessed and healthy Ramadan.

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Ramadan Kareem!

Sincerely,
French Team

News from the ICT and Computer Science Department



At the BSE, we empower our children with an education that allows them to become independent and creative thinkers. One way we achieve this is through coding. This term the children continued their journey to becoming young coders by learning to program using the Scratch app, which uses draggable blocks of code that allows children to easily turn an idea into a set of instructions to form a visual, animated story or game.

In KS1, the children first learned the importance of character and level design by learning how to edit existing characters and backgrounds. Afterwards, they learned to place blocks of code in a logical order to form a basketball game where one character shoots the ball at the hoop while another character attempts to block it. In the process, the children learned that programmers use the Repeat command to repeat a set of instructions.

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News from the ICT and Computer Science Department

In KS2, through cross-curricular links the children learned the importance of Numeracy in all their favourite computer games and that characters moving in a game move on a 2-D graph with positive and negative values. The children programmed a game where they controlled the main character, using the keyboard arrows, to get to a prize that is being protected by two enemies moving along the X-axis and Y-axis using a Repeat method. In the process, the children further developed their problem-solving skills and displayed persistence while debugging their code.



In the upper KS2, students have created computer programs that helped them learn to collaborate with others, develop problem-solving skills, and persist through difficult tasks. Learning computer science and basic coding to create interactive animations, games, or apps teaches students critical thinking, and problem-solving. In year 7, students got introduced to Web Development, where they are empowered to create and share content on their web pages. By learning and practicing HTML and CSS, students begin by thinking about the role of the web and how it can be used as a medium for creative expression. As students develop basic web pages and begin to see themselves as programmers, they are encouraged to think critically about the impact of sharing information online and how to be more critical consumers of content.

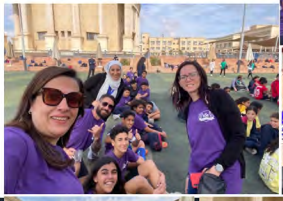
In the upper KS3, we took a step further in learning Python programming. Students learnt more about variables and data types, as well as loops and functions. In addition to programming skills, we focus on developing problem-solving, logic, and critical thinking skills. These skills are essential for the success of our students. Throughout the next term, we will be able to apply these programming skills to a range of exciting projects.

Message from the Head of Key Stage 3

As we end our second academic term, it is an opportunity for us to reflect on what has been achieved and undertaken by our KS3 students this term.

We began the half-term with our Sports Days. The pupils engaged in a carousel of activities while representing and competing for their School Houses.





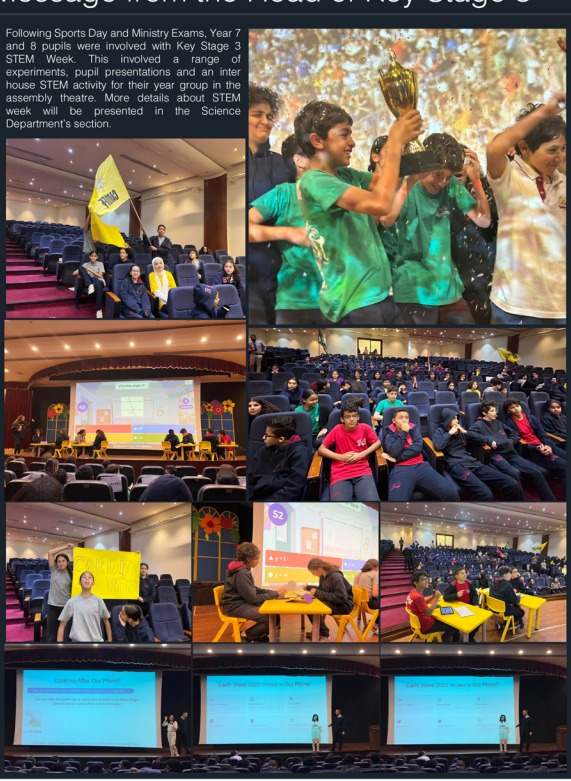






Message from the Head of Key Stage 3

Following Sports Day and Ministry Exams, Year 7 and 8 pupils were involved with Key Stage 3 STEM Week. This involved a range of experiments, pupil presentations and an inter house STEM activity for their year group in the assembly theatre. More details about STEM week will be presented in the Science Department's section.



As we enter the spring break, I hope you all have a wonderful holiday and come back refreshed and energised for the final academic term of the year.

Ramadan Kareem!

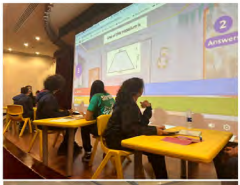


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News from the Mathematics Department

In this half termly newsletter, we are excited to celebrate our students' achievement in Y7 and Y8 and highlight the new skills they have acquired and cross curricular links they have bridged during the STEM week. Students worked hard in their groups to build projects from scratch on various STEM topics like Speed,Variation, Erosion,Pressure, Solubility and many other topics. They have developed a deeper understanding on how Maths and Science work hand in Hand in addressing different real life problems.Our students significantly better off with strong Science, Technology,engineering and Mathematical skills.It is undebatable that students throughout this week had a lot of fun and learned a lot in real life through engaging activities we had that week. Not only this but also students in Y7 and Y8 got the opportunity to compete in the school theater in their house teams against each other in a STEM competition where they got the chance to demonstrate and model their understanding of various Maths and Science topics as well as Mental Maths skills.

A very big shout out to Maths and Science teachers who had contributed to STEM Week Success and to BSE students whom we recognize their achievements and proud of the confidence they built in the project based work focusing on Investigation, discovery , use of Mathematical techniques and collaborative work. Also its equally important to thank and encourage Y9 students who are currently getting ready to their PRE-IGCSE Cambridge exams





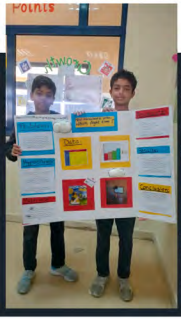


















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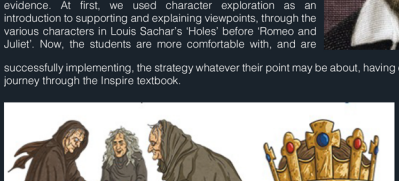
News from the KS3 English and Humanities

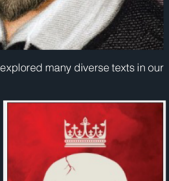
Year 7

This term, the students have had an introduction to William Shakespeare, one of the greatest and most famous writers in all of English literature, as they have dived into 'Romeo and Juliet'. This well-renowned play is a tale of two star-crossed lovers from warring families, the Capulets and Montagues, and is considered to be one of Shakespeare's best tragedies. As well as providing a glimpse into how the English language has changed over the last few hundred years - insults and all! - the story provides a rich array of interesting characters for the students to analyse as the story progresses. Shakespeare's meticulous use of colourful, descriptive language is timeless and provides a multitude of points for analysis and discussion.



In addition, the students have become much more adept at supporting their thoughts, ideas, and claims with relevant evidence. At first, we used character exploration as an introduction to supporting and explaining viewpoints, through the various characters in Louis Sachar's 'Holes' before 'Romeo and Juliet'. Now, the students are more comfortable with, and are successfully implementing, the strategy whatever their point may be about, having explored many diverse texts in our journey through the Inspire textbook.

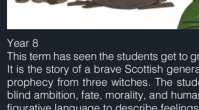


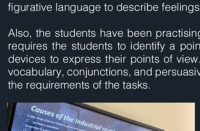


Year 8

This term has seen the students get to grips with another one of William Shakespeare's amazing tragedies - Macbeth. It is the story of a brave Scottish general who is consumed by ambition to become King of Scotland after hearing a prophecy from three witches. The students are using the play to explore and discuss the main themes, including blind ambition, fate, morality, and human nature. Moreover, the students have been analysing Shakespeare's use of figurative language to describe feelings and characters, further building on the students' own skillset.

Also, the students have been practising planning and writing argumentative texts this term. Building an argument requires the students to identify a point or idea that they feel strongly about and then use a variety of rhetorical devices to express their points of view. Using constructs such as figurative language, use of conditionals, strong vocabulary, conjunctions, and persuasive techniques, the students are rapidly developing their skills in order to meet the requirements of the tasks.





Year 9

The students have been ramping up their preparations for their end of year external exams. All aspects of the curriculum have now been covered in detail and our time is being used as efficiently as possible to review and build confidence before the final exams come around in May. A particular focus has been put on Exercise 6, which is the most demanding of the exam tasks, as it could be a review (of a book, movie, or experience), an article, or a report. The importance is for the students to be able to readily distinguish between the features and inherent differences of each type of writing, especially when it comes to the level of formality required.

The upcoming revision sessions will be a great way for the students to consolidate their learning from this year, as well as get some final practice and ask any questions that they may still have. With all of our thorough preparations, and The BSE's vast curriculum enrichment and support sessions, we have every confidence that the students will achieve grades that they, you (their parents and guardians), and we their teachers can be proud of.

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News from the KS3 English and Humanities

Humanities News

Pupils have been learning about The Industrial Revolution, through which they have developed a deep understanding of the change and continuity concept. Students have been identifying that some things have changed and giving reasons for this change, and showing how things have remained the same and also giving reasons for this. Pupils are now familiar with the tough working and living conditions men, women, and children in Britain faced in order to make their living. Understanding the changes that people witnessed has enabled the pupils to consider the reasons behind the spread of different diseases at that time, especially Cholera. Pupils were successfully able to reflect their understanding by creating PowerPoint presentations which they had a chance to give in lessons.





News from the Science Department

KS3 was delighted to celebrate STEM week.

Science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education puts an emphasis on preparing future generations to be successful in their careers. Students worked in teams to carry out experiments following the scientific inquiry and investigative approach.

Each student had the opportunity to take part in a project in which Students implemented the scientific way to answer different inquiries where they were able to see cause and effect and had an opportunity to question and problem solve. Projects were chosen to integrate science and Math . Students had the opportunity to enjoy some cross curricular activities that helped develop knowledge, understanding and practical skills through the study of science and Math interconnected topics.









We Finally celebrated the end of STEM week and students' achievement with a 4 round Science and Math competition in the theater. Students watched a video showing their photos documenting their work throughout the week. They competed with each other in their houses for a trophy given to the house that achieved the greatest academic achievement through quick science and math questions using iPad devices and Kahoot application. A big shout out to all our outstanding students for their dedication and their marvelous work.





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News from the Art & Design Department

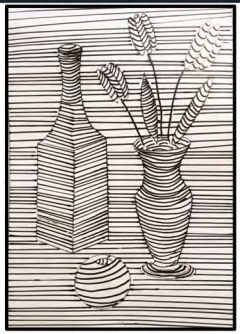
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As we come to the end of this term, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible work my students have produced in our art and design classes. It has been a pleasure to witness their creative growth and experimentation throughout this term. From drawing and painting to design and sculpture, they have all demonstrated an impressive range of skills and techniques.

I am proud of their dedication and passion towards their artistic endeavours, and I hope my classes have inspired you to continue exploring and expressing yourselves through art.

Year 7

In art lessons, students have learned to transform still life into optical art by using only lines. By manipulating the direction, thickness, and spacing of the lines, they created dynamic illusions of depth challenging the viewer's perception. This exercise encourages creativity and experimentation with different techniques.



Sara Bakr 7D



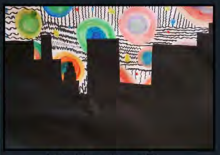
Merna Fouda 7D



Carla Ramy 7A

Year 8

Students explored the depth of colour by creating a design using tints and shades of a single hue. This exercise allowed them to experiment with different values while developing a keen sense of colour theory.



Lily Hussien 7D



Nada Hossam 8F



Batool Hany 8A

They also created a cartoon character inspired by Tim Burton's unique style. They experimented with exaggerated features using dark colour palettes.

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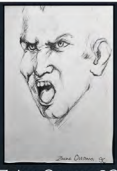


Tia Ahmed 8A



Youssef Ramy 8A

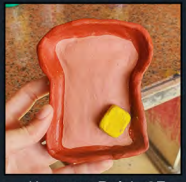
Year 9
And finally, about our year 9 artists.
They have practised drawing different facial emotions using different tones and shades of pencils. This exercise not only helped develop their artistic skills but also their ability to express emotions visually. They had the freedom to choose the colour of their paper.



Zaina Osama 9C



Haya El-Kady 9C



Kareema Refaie 9E



Mohamed Karim 9B



Malak EL-Bakry 9E

Congratulations on a successful term, and keep creating!

Message from the Head of Key Stage 4 & 5

I hope this letter finds you in the best of health and spirit.
As we come to the end of the term, we would like to take this opportunity to send you our greeting for the holy month of Ramadan. Ramadan Kareem.
This term has been a busy one, with many exciting events taking place.
We started this term with a University Fair. Where we hosted 25 international universities. Our students asked and learnt about the requirements of different majors.



The January results for AS and A-Level were released at the beginning of March. We are thrilled to announce that:

- 13 students scored 100% in AS level Maths.
- 2 students scored 100% in Biology AS.
- 7 students scored A* in A-Level Maths.

Below you will find a table of the names of our achievers and statistics of our top scores.

January 2023 Outstanding Achievers List:

Name	Year Group	Subject
Ahmed Adly Hashad	12	A* Maths A-Level
Ahmed Amr Allam	12	A* Maths A-Level
Ali Eldessouky	12	A* Maths A-Level
Malak Fakher	12	A* Maths A-Level
Mohamed Ehab Elkangy	12	A* Maths A-Level
Nour Fakher	12	A* Maths A-Level
Omar Ahmed Elkhadem	12	A* Maths A-Level
Malak Mahmoud Samir	12	100% Biology U4
Amira Medhat	11	100% Pure 1 Maths
Areej Ismail	11	100% Pure 1 Maths

Name	Year Group	Subject
Hamza Muhammad Samy	11	100% Pure 1 - 100% Pure 2 Maths
Mariam Mohamed Said	11	100% Pure 1 Maths
Mohamed Ahmed Ibrahim	11	100% Pure 1 Maths
Mohamed Samy Elsayed	11	100% Pure 1 - 100% Pure 2 Maths
Omar Tamer El Aidy	11	100% Pure 1 - 100% Pure 2 Maths
Ahmed Sherif El Halaby	11	100% Pure 1 Maths
Kadija Wesam Swailem	11	100% Pure 1 Maths
Mohamed Abdelazim	11	100% Pure 1 - 100% Pure 2 Maths
Mostafa Ahmed Lotfi	11	100% Pure 1 - 100% Pure 2 Maths
Yehia Haitham	11	100% Pure 1 - 100% Pure 2 Maths - 100% AS Biology U1

Congratulations!

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Message from the Head of Key Stage 4 & 5

General Subject Statistics:

Maths A-Level	Pure 1	Pure 2	Biology AS	Biology A-level
38% A*	56% A	43% A	50% A	60% A*
22% A	15% B	12 % B	21% B	
Total 60% achieved A* and A	Total 71% Scored A and B	Total 55% - A and B	Total 71% A and B	
Maths AS (P1 and P2)				
The highest grade that can be achieved in an AS subject is an A grade.				
There are no A* grades in AS subjects, only the full A-Level.				

Exam Preparation

We are ending this term with a series of exams.

- Mock Exams for years 10, 11 and 12
- Art and Design Exams took place on the 24th and 25th March
- Speaking exams for French and English as a second Language
- ICT final Exams

Iftar Event

We are planning for a special Iftar dinner, where students and staff share a meal together. It is taking place at Crave on Thursday 6th April.

Upcoming Events to share with you:

As we look forward to the start of the new term, we would like to remind you of the following important dates:

* During the Break we will be organising a series of revision in school and online
* May-June exams series starts with the French Listening exam on the 29th April.
* 2nd of May official exam schedule begins

Wishing the children every success with their revision and upcoming exams.

Wishing you all a blessed Ramadan.

Sincerely

Magdy Tadros

British Qualification Academic Director

Thank You

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المدرسة البريطانية بمصر قسم اللغة العربية

قسم رياض الأطفال

- في حياة كل منا شـــخص يراه قدوة ومثل أعلى وداعم له ولذلك فقد قام أطفالنا في مرحلة ريـاض الأطفـال بتلوين بـاقـة ورود وكتـابـة جملـة ليقدمـوهـا هديـة وعرفان للجميل للشخصية المميزة له











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قسم اللغة العربية

رمضان

- (شهر رمضان الكريم)

- قام أطفال المستوى الثاني من رياض الأطفال باستقبال شهر رمضان الكريم بعض الأنشطة التعليمية الخاصة بحلول شهر رمضان وقد قاموا بتلوين فانوس رمضان وقامت المعلمات بتقديم معلومات عن الشهر الكريم ومناقشة الأطفال حول ما يعرفونه عن شهر رمضان وغناء بعض الأغاني معًا.














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طلاب المرحلة الابتدائية

ضيفُنا الغالي أطَلا * عائداً من بعدِ عامِ**
جئتنا !أهلاً وسهلا * فيكَ، يا شهرَ الصيام**

وفي أجواء رمضـانيه مليئة بالبهجة والسـرور عشـنا مع أطفالنا في مدرسـتنا (المدرسـة البريطانية في مصـر) لحظات ممتعة مع عمل نشـاط (فانوسـي في رمضـان) وكان لمعلمي التربية الدينية دور كبير مع طلابهم في التحدث عن شـهر رمضان وأهمية هذا الشهر الفضيل .













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في أُسْرَتي أَلْقَى الأمانْ ****أَلْقَى المَحَبَّةَ والْحَنانْ
فهي لَنا رمـزُ العَطــاءْ**** في قَلْبِها نَبــعُ الوَفـاءْ

الأســرة هي ذلك المكان الدافئ والآمن الذي نلجأ إليه ونجد فيه الســعادة والرضــا والأمان عشنا مع أطفالنا لحظات يملؤها الحب والتقدير لأسرتنا الصغيرة مع أسرتنا الكبيرة في مدرستنا الحبيبة لنزرع ونروي في أطفالنا تقدير واحترام الأسرة وحبها للأبد .



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