



**Bishkek
International
School**

VOICES



Newsletter for BIS Parents and Friends. No: 9 / 2021-22

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CELEBRATING THE FALL FESTIVAL AT BIS

The Fall Festival is a great way to celebrate the season with lots of favorite traditions and ideas to get everyone involved.

With delicious food and fun activities like face painting, pumpkin decorating and themed games – there was something for everyone! Students throughout the school got creative with their costumes and dressed up in their best spooky attire – you can see some of their great costumes below!

Great Job everyone for making such a fun event!



CPR, BROC AND KTI AWARDS

A huge well done to our following award winners:

CPR (Caring, Principled, Reflective):

Darika (Grade 10B)

KTI (Knowledgeable, Thinker, Inquirer):

Mirzokhid (Grade 11B)

THANK YOU TO THE BIS COMMUNITY

This is a message to say a huge thank you and well done for your amazing efforts in contributing to the collection of items for Umot Nadjeschda. As the pictures clearly show, you have all been extremely generous! I know that your donations will go to a great cause, and will be of great benefit to the recipients. Many organisations like this need assistance from time to time with items such as these, and I know that they will be extremely grateful for this donation. I would also like to publicly thank our Grade 11 student Saadat Bazarbaeva for her significant contributions to the running of this initiative. She showed commitment, initiative and great enthusiasm at all stages.

Thank you for being such an amazing part of the BIS community, and have a wonderful weekend!

Ms Laura, Head of Student Welfare and Community Engagement Leader



SAVE ANIMALS, PEOPLE AND PLANTS!

Grade 2 students have been talking about deforestation and how it affects all living things such as plants, animals and people. We found out that deforestation is a great problem for Amazon indigenous tribes who lose their habitat due to deforestation. The children were super sorry and worried for these tribes and shared some ideas of how to solve the problem. Ailin said : “I can donate my extra clothes and send it to these tribes”. Zhan said: “We need to create National Parks where animals and people can live in peace protected by the law”. Jasper offered us to contact the UN organization and send the UN workers to protect people and animals. Nil-Mira was ready to cook some food and share it with the hungry Amazon tribe people.

The students designated the main reason for deforestation - wood extraction. The whole grade went on the scavenger hunt to find the items made of wood around the school. It appears that lots of furniture is made of wood like shelves in the classroom and in the library, the E-center is covered with wood, and the tree house is wooden!

Coming back to the classroom the children worked on 2 problems - how deforestation affects animals independently and how it affects plants. It was nice to see that they were actively using the classroom library to get the information about deforestation and endangered animals. The greatest part of the projects was about solutions: using alternative materials for creating furniture like metal or concrete, creating protected areas for people and animals, planting more trees, and informing the UN organizations about these problems.

Ms Oksana, Grade 2B Homeroom Teacher



NEW FACES AT BIS: MS AIGUL

I am Aigul and I have joined BIS this year. I am so excited to be a part of this community because I work with supportive and responsive teachers and teach such smart and motivated students.

I graduated from the Kyrgyz State University with a degree in English Language and Literature. I have 15 years of teaching experience in diverse educational institutions such as Kyrgyz International University, Kyrgyz State University, Gazprom Kyrgyzstan Secondary School and British Study Center.

Prior to embarking on a teaching career, I was part of a scholarship program at Shriram Institute of Business and Information Technology School in New Delhi, 2005. Afterwards, between 2014 and 2015, I studied at Indiana University of the USA and I hold the certificate of Fulbright FLTA scholarship program funded by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA).



Currently, I have an internationally recognized certificate CELTA (Certificate of English Language Teaching for Adults) and diverse certificates on teaching methodology of English language for adults, teenagers and young learners.

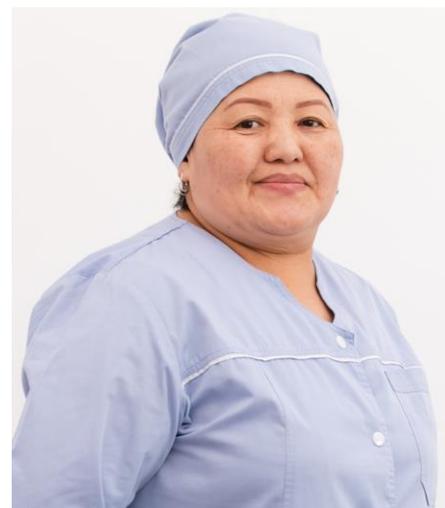
Ms Aigul, English Language Acquisition Teacher

HELP NEEDED FOR OUR KITCHEN STAFF MEMBER AIDA KALIEVA'S DAUGHTER

One of our colleagues, who works in the school kitchen preparing food for us every day, Aida Kalieva, is going through a very difficult time as her 24-year-old daughter, Japara Talatbekova, has sclerosis of the right hippocampus, which results in her suddenly being unable to move for 2 or 3 minutes at a time.

Japara was first diagnosed when she was 2 years old but improved as she got older and had no incidents in recent years until she gave birth in 2019. Since 2019 she has been taking medicines to control the episodes, but doctors recommend an operation at the Neurosurgery clinic in Novosibirsk, which costs \$18000. The family has already collected \$9000 and need to raise another \$9,000 for the operation.

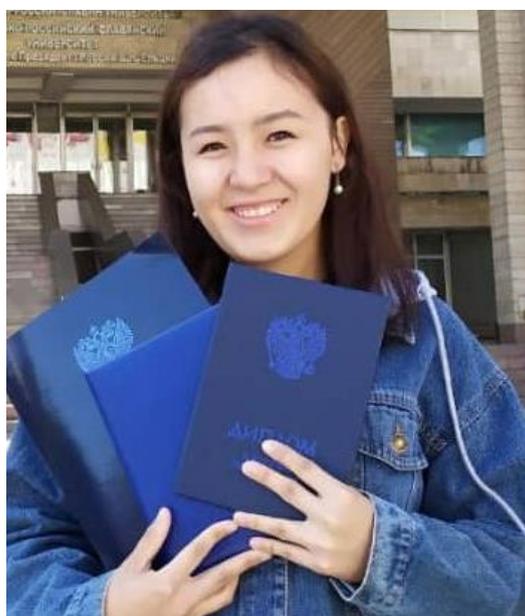
We are asking the BIS Community to help with collecting money to help



this young lady stay healthy and be with her family. BIS is collecting donations for Aida's daughter until **31st December**.

If you would like to make a donation, please give it to our cashier, Meerim, in the outside Reception.

If sending money is easier, you can do it via [ELSOM](#) or [bank transfer](#).



BIS Snapshot: Fall Festival



ANNIVERSARY SHOW LOGO DESIGN CONTEST

We are looking for **logo designs** for the Anniversary Show "James and the Giant Peach" performance.

The winners will have their designs printed on the posters for advertising the show. And potentially used on our T-shirt design.

Everybody who submits their design will get 10 house points.

The winners will receive 50 house points.

All submissions will have their works displayed in the lobby during the performance.

Send all submissions to Mr. David DLien@bis.kg by Friday, November 5th. All students are encouraged to submit. Multiple submissions are allowed.

Rules and Suggestions:

- No words or text!
- Keep it simple.
- Digital designs are preferred, but we will also accept hand drawn designs too.
- Check online for other "James and the Giant Peach" **musical** logos.
 - Try to avoid influences from the movie adaption.

See some example winning logos from last year's show "The Lion King":



GETTING COMPETITIVE WITH LANGUAGES!

This week, students took part in a competition for languages run by Education Perfect. Students could answer questions in 10 different languages to win points and compete against other schools around the world. BIS students answered an impressive 28,732 questions and we came 44th out of 134 schools. Congratulations to our competition winners: Bruno Brezina G12, Daiana Choibaeva G9, Laura Piana G9 and Lily Robinson G8.

We don't normally have access to the competition website, but if students want to keep learning languages online, they can use our school's subscription to www.linguascope.com. Students can log in with the username "bishkek" and the password "bis2021".

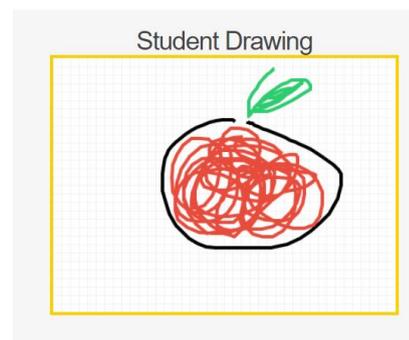
Mr Tim, Head of Language Acquisition for Middle and High School,

Ms Elvira, Head of Language Acquisition for Primary School

Student name	Ranking	▲ Score	Award
Bruno Brezina	47th	4,114	
Daiana Choibaeva	143rd	2,402	
Laura Piana	184th	2,026	
Lillian Robinson	204th	1,880	
Zeinep Murza-Abdull...	1,666th	342	
Daria Selezneva	2,233rd	263	
Umbet Isaev	2,599th	228	
Asek Wheeler	3,037th	195	
Ariella Zhuleva	3,209th	183	
Arman Aschanov	3,436th	170	

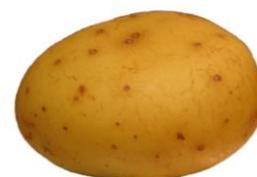
Draw the German word below:

der Apfel



potato

- die Karotte 1 das Gemüse 2
 die Kartoffel 3 die Milch 4





 28,732 Questions answered  17,231 Points earned  72 Hours spent  44th Global ranking  17th Category ranking 101-250 students

 Credit  Bronze  Silver  Gold  Emerald  Elite

Achievements

44th overall globally out of 134 schools

1st overall in Russian out of 51 schools

17th overall in the 101-250 students category out of 40 schools

11th overall in German out of 70 schools

55th overall in French out of 103 schools



Education Perfect International Languages
Championships 2021

Tue 26th—Thu 28th Oct 2021

COMPETITION
FINISHED!

PHOTO CONTEST RESULTS

HS Portrait

1. Khanzaada G12 - Piranha
2. Malika G12 - Phoenix
3. Yujie Liu G11 - Phoenix



HS Landscape

1. Gunnar G12 - SL
2. Daiana G9 - Phoenix
3. Roman G9 - Phoenix



HS General

1. Jijun G10 - Piranha
2. Khanzaada G12 - Piranha
3. Chynybek G12 - Piranha



Primary/Middle Portrait

1. Arina G8 - SL
2. Shigeyuki (Randy) G7 - SL
3. Arina G8 - SL



Primary/Middle Landscape

1. Sienna G8 - Piranha
2. Arina G8- SL
3. Arina G8 - SL



Primary/Middle General

1. Lily G8 - Phoenix
2. Sienna G8 - Piranha



Employee Portrait

1. Ms Rona - Phoenix
2. Mr Tim - Phoenix
3. Ms Michaela - Phoenix



Employee Landscape

1. Ms Michaela - SL
2. Ms Aida - Phoenix
3. Mr Luke - Phoenix



Employee General

1. Ms Rona - Phoenix
2. Ms Aisuluu - Phoenix
3. Ms Alicia - Piranha "tie"
3. Ms Aidai B - Phoenix



Here is [the link](#) to the folder with the winning pictures.

House Points score for the photo contest:



Snow Leopards **610**



Phoenixes **870**



Piranhas **550**

House Points for the UN Day:



Snow Leopards **610**



Phoenixes **870**



Piranhas **550**

GUESS THE BOOK CHARACTER – QUIZ RESULTS



House Points score:



Snow Leopards **333**



Phoenixes **314**



Piranhas **324**



TOTAL HOUSE POINTS SCORE:



Phoenixes

2544



PIRANHAS

3209



SNOW LEOPARDS

2138

Congratulations to all the winners!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 7-8-9 November, Sunday-Monday-Tuesday: Days of History & Memory of Ancestors – public holiday
- 13th November, Saturday: BISMUN (Model UN)
- 19th November, Friday: Friendsgiving Dinner – Parents Association
- 27th November, Saturday: BIS Annual Debate Tournament

LUNCH MENU

The lunch menu for November 1st - 5th is **Menu B**.

Our school menu is available [here](#). Form Teachers and our Chef are responsible for adjusting this menu to avoid any foods your child cannot eat, according to the information provided to us by you.



PRESCHOOL 1

This week, the Preschool 1 group learned about body parts. On Monday, we discussed what parts of the body each person has. The children looked at each other and described their faces and body naming eyes, ears, noses, lips, mouths, hair, arms, feet, knees, toes, legs. During the circle time activity we sang the song "Head, shoulders, knees and toes" pointing on our body parts. Next day, we looked at human body skeleton. To learn the position of body parts, we described the skeleton and played with body parts puzzles. Kids just seem to soak up the information about their own bodies. We also talked about what is the healthiest thing for our body, the most important things people do every day to support their health. We had the first discovery book "My Body" that was fantastic for little ones to get a grasp of these topics. At the end of the week there was the most amazing autumn festival called Halloween. Preschool, together with everyone, played different games, painted pumpkins, decorated cookies. Our children had a lot of fun and interest.

Ms. Tina, Preschool 1 Homeroom Teacher



PRESCHOOL 2

This week, Preschool 2 friends devoted time talking about holiday news and autumn season. On Monday, our friends shared about what they did during fall break. Now we know that some friends spend time with grandparents, others stayed at home and played many games with siblings and some of our friends had many trips with families. The other day, we went to the big field, looked around and tried to notice the changes that happens in fall. We have discovered that leaves are turning into shades of yellow, brown, red, purple and yellow and that they are falling down. Together, we collected leaves and made cute hedgehogs. We also talked about weather changes and holidays in this season. We

discussed that the weather is getting cold and we wear more warm clothes and celebrate some holidays. One of the favorite holiday that we celebrate in fall was Halloween and we celebrated at school on Friday. We had a lot of fun decorating cookies, painting faces and playing pumpkin bowling. The students were wearing spooky costumes and were proud to show their costumes to all friends.



Ms. Begimai, Preschool 2 Homeroom Teacher



PRESCHOOL 3

The first week of the new semester flew by, and what an eventful week we had! This week, we celebrated fall by crafting various fall decorations and culminating our celebration with a spectacular fall event in which everyone dressed up as different characters. We also learnt about the letter 'c' this week. We did an experiment and made our own puffy paint to help us recall the letter 'c'. We used the paint and painted a cupcake with our fingers.

We also baked delicious cupcakes. Our friends worked on our counting and number identification abilities by counting a variety of things in class. Next week we will be studying the letter 'k'. We will also begin to look at our new unit of inquiry on shelters.

Ms. Carmen, Preschool 3 Homeroom Teacher, Head of Preschool

