



**Bishkek
International
School**

VOICES



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BIS GOT TALENT 2022

Last Saturday some 40 students put on an amazing show with a huge variety of acts at the 2022 BIS Got Talent. Many hours of practice went into all kinds of acts from singing, dancing, poetry, wrestling, live drawing, acting and even more. Due to bad weather the event was held in the Big Hall and included delicious food and drinks by the Student Council (including some of the best muffins I have eaten in years) and the Silent Art Auction featuring some brilliant work by our artistic students.

Thanks to all the families for 2 hours of support, the Student Council, Mr. Ermek and all his maintenance staff, all staff involved and the amazingly talented students from BIS who showed how brave and talented they all are.

Mr Grant, Head of Performing Arts



CPR, BROC AND KTI AWARDS

A huge well done to our following award winners:

CPR (Caring, Principled, Reflective):

Yaroslava (Grade 9)

BROC (Balanced, Risk-Taker, Open-Minded, Communicator):

Neslihan (Grade 4 Yellow)

KTI (Knowledgeable, Thinker, Inquirer):

Nikita (Grade 4 Yellow)

Alisher (Grade 11 Yellow)

'THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS' MUSICAL

Over 30 Primary Students from Grade 1-5 participated in the theatre show "Wind in the Willows". They worked very hard during ECA time and lunch times to prepare for the two fantastic performances this past Wednesday and Thursday.

Thanks to Ms. Angelina for directing the production. And the help of Ms. Shelley, Mr. Grant, Ms. Alicia, and Ms. Erkinai.

Mr. David Lien, Producer/Music Director



When I was practicing my line, I was very excited. I really liked the song "King of the Road", I like how Toad (Amanda) sings it. She has a very strong voice, and Mole (Nikolaus) also has a very clear voice. Also, Ratty (Bilim) has a nice gentle voice. I really liked that I've been Main Character (Badger). And my solo song, (It Takes All Sorts to Make a World) I really like that song, because It's my solo! It took a long time to learn to dance "Life of Luxury". I really need to say thank you to Lucia and Bilim for making a dance. Also I like how Sarge (Lia) says her line. And thank you for Mr David, Ms Angelina, Ms Shelley, Mr Grant, and Ms Alicia.

Maiko (Grade 4)



It took a lot of time to do this and that time was worth it. I enjoyed the show and the people that were there were really respectful and kind. My favorite song was bright canary yellow gypsy caravan. Overall, I think the show was great.

Amanda (Grade 4)



I liked the song "Bright Canary Yellow Gypsy Caravan", especially when Amanda, Bilim, and I were singing at the same time. I really liked long lines like Badger (Maiko) often had. I also really liked "It Takes All Sorts to Make a World" because Maiko sang it in a very beautiful way. In "Life of luxury" Bilim, Maiko, and Lucia did a very good job dancing. I really liked being a main character (Mole). I thought that the role of Sarge was funny and why was "alo alo alo what ai we er" so funny. So to summarize it all, I had great fun.

Nikolaus (Grade 3)



Wind In The Willows was such an amazing experience. It was really fun being part of this. I definitely don't regret it.

Bilim (Grade 5)



BIS Snapshot: BIS Got Talent



ROAD SAFETY

This week, Grade 1 - Grade 5 were visited by representatives from the Public Association for Road Safety who shared some engaging and informative lessons on road safety. The course was created by the Eastern Alliance for Safe and Sustainable Transport ([EASST](#)). We all learned a lot about road safety that we can apply in our everyday lives. Thanks to Ms. Chinara and Mr. Erkin for visiting us and helping to make our community a safer place!

Ms Alicia, PYP Coordinator



MYP EXPERIENCE DAY

To prepare Grade 5 students for middle school, they experienced a day in the life of an MYP student last Friday. They followed a normal middle school timetable with different subjects in different places with different teachers. They joined middle school assembly, met their buddies from Grade 6 and tried out our school day with its shorter breaks. They did a great job adjusting by coming on time, with their equipment and ready to learn. We are looking forward to welcoming these students to the middle school next year!

Mr Tim, MYP Coordinator



Periods	Friday
Form time 7:50-8:00	Form time (Mr Tim) E-Centre 4
Period 1 08:00-08:45	Individuals & Societies (Mr Taylor) CA1
Period 2 08:45-09:30	Mathematics (Mr Luke and Mr Toon) CA1
Break 09:30-09:45	Cafeteria at 9:30
Period 3 09:45-10:30	Mandarin, French, German, Spanish (Various) E-Centre Terrace 1
Period 4 10:35-11:20	Art (Dr Anna) CA2
Period 5 11:25-12:10	Sciences (Ms Artika) Lab 1
Lunch break 12:10-12:55	Lunch served at 12:10 for MYP
Period 6 12:55-13:40	PHE (Mr Zeljko) Big Hall
Period 7 13:40-14:25	English Language & Literature (Ms Nina) A4
Period 8 14:30-15:15	Assembly, Cafeteria Form Time with G6 (Mr David and Ms Asel) Small Hall

MYP Experience Day Timetable

Friday 27 May 2022

Periods	Grade 6 Friday
Form time 7:50-8:00	Form time (Mr Tim) E-Centre 4
Period 1 08:00-08:45	Individuals & Societies (Mr Taylor) CA1
Period 2 08:45-09:30	Mathematics (Mr Luke and Mr Toon) CA1
Break 09:30-09:45	Cafeteria at 9:30
Period 3 09:45-10:30	Mandarin, French, German, Spanish (Various) E-Centre Terrace 1
Period 4 10:35-11:20	Art (Dr Anna) CA2
Period 5	Sciences

Key advice for the day

- It is **your** responsibility to be on time for each lesson. Don't wait for the bell - you should be in your classroom when the bell goes for the start of the lesson.
- Make sure you bring the right equipment with you. See below.
- If you get lost, ask a teacher or MYP student for help.

In the MYP, for every class you need:

- A backpack/bag
- Your own pencil case (pens, pencils)

In the MYP, for every class you need:

- A backpack/bag
- Your own pencil case (pens, pencils, ruler minimum)
- A reusable bottle for drinking water
- Trainers and a t-shirt/shorts or a tracksuit for PHE
- Textbooks and notebooks*
- Optional: a laptop/tablet* (this is optional in the MYPI!)

* You don't need these for the MYP Experience Day.

FACTORS THAT AFFECT HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION IN KYRGYZSTAN

Dear BIS Community, 4 years have passed since I graduated from our school. Studying at BIS allowed me to come to Erasmus University in the Netherlands, one of the best faculties for political science. The one year in Kyrgyzstan left an impression on me and the country has been a passion of mine ever since.

Last summer I interned at the management consultancy company Palladium in Bishkek and worked on promoting an inclusive economy and governance together with the Kyrgyz parliament. This year Kyrgyzstan is the subject of my bachelor's thesis. I'm sure all of you have heard of the problems that the country has with supplying enough energy, but not everyone understands why this is the case. My research focuses on studying the factors affecting the electricity consumption of families and suggests ways in which this problem can be addressed. In order to provide accurate results, I need information from as many people as I can get. I would like to ask you to help me and [fill out my survey](#). It takes 5 minutes, the results are completely anonymous and anyone above 18 can take part.

Thank you in advance to everyone who participates and shares the survey with their friends and family.



Leo Brezina, BIS Alumnus

BIS COMMUNITY PERCEPTIONS SURVEY RESULTS 2022



Dear BIS community,

The 2022 school survey report is now available to view [here](#) online.

We thank you for choosing to be part of the Bishkek International School community. We look forward to working together with all our community members to keep improving BIS.

Sincerely,
Nuriza Begalieva, Governance Support Officer

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 4th June, Saturday: High School Prom
- 9th June, Thursday: Transition assembly
- 9th June, Thursday: MYP graduation
- 9th June, Thursday: Class of 2022 Reflection Dinner
- 10th June, Friday: High School Graduation
- 13th June, Monday: Preschool 3 & Grade 5 graduation
- 14th June, Tuesday: Primary School Educational Visits day
- 15th June, Wednesday: Parent-Teacher Meetings
- 16th June, Thursday: Last Day of School / All Americas Barbecue
- 17th June, Friday: Teacher in-service day

LUNCH MENU

The school menu for June 6th – 10th is **Menu A**.

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

Friends from Preschool 1 have been exploring space and planets this week. We learned that there are eight planets in the solar system, and our home planet is Earth. We learned that all the planets revolve around the sun. To better understand this, we imitated from improvised materials how the earth revolves around the sun using light and a ball. The friends held the light to make the planet revolve around the sun. We also learned that people who travel into space to learn more about the solar system are called astronauts. Together we made a rocket with astronauts, and our friends pretended to be astronauts. For creativity, we made crafts Earth from cardboard boxes and planets from paper plates.

We also invited a bubble show to celebrate Children's Day. Our children had a lot of fun dancing and playing

with soap bubbles. This week has been very educational and interesting.

Ms. Tina, Preschool 1 Homeroom Teacher



PRESCHOOL 2

This week, Preschool 2 friends inquired about plants, their structures and their importance for living things. We discussed different types of plants and what they need to grow. To implement this knowledge, we looked at our beans and flowers that we planted earlier; we watered and put them in the window. We also looked at our beans and other plant's parts and discovered that they have roots, stems, leaves, and flowers. Together, we created our sunflowers by putting each part in the right order. We also discussed

that plants are very important for people and animals as they provide us with food and oxygen. After our class discussion, we went outside and picked some cherries and had a small picnic. Our friends also had fun on Children's Day when we joined the bubble show. We enjoyed popping bubbles, playing with bananas and pretending to be astronauts. Next week, we will revise our themes that we learned this semester.

Ms. Begimai, Preschool 2 Homeroom Teacher



PRESCHOOL 3

Children's day was definitely one of the most fun celebrations in the Preschool. The minions came to visit us and play fun games while we also had an opportunity to play with bubbles. The minions gave everyone a chance to pop bubbles and to be placed inside a big bubble!

It was so fun, even our teacher had a turn to be inside a bubble. We also learned a lot of fun things this

week like we use a lot of water every day to cook, clean, drink, and just do everyday things. Finally, we discovered that without water our lives will be really difficult.

Next week we will be focused on preparing for our upcoming graduation and learning about adaptations animals have to live in water and on land.

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



BIS Snapshot: Happy Children's Day!



