



**Bishkek  
International  
School**

# VOICES



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22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

## ASIA DAY FESTIVAL

Our first big event of the school year was held last Saturday! It was a wonderful day when the community came together and celebrated the continent of Asia by wearing continental costumes and participating in an array of activities. We had amazing day with performances on the stage as well as a special Asia Day menu.

Huge thank you to everyone who helped to organize this event and who came to celebrate this day with the BIS community.



## CPR, BROC AND KTI AWARDS

A huge well done to our award winners:

### CPR (Caring, Principled, Reflective):

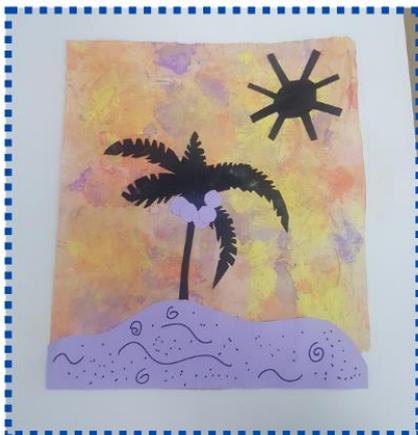
**Alima** (Grade 1B), **Zahra** (Grade 2B), **Daniel** (Grade 1B), **Umai** (Grade 5B),  
**Nikolaus** (Grade 5Y), **Nursultan** (Grade 4Y), **Ruslan** (Grade 9),  
**Akmaral** (Grade 12), **Arif** (Grade 12), **Artur** (Grade 12)

### KTI (Knowledgeable, Thinker, Inquirer):

**Kaip** (Preschool 3Y), **Sardar** (Grade 9)

## MYP STUDENTS' CREATIVE JOURNEY

MYP students turned a piece of tissue into a master piece. They enjoyed this experimental art process so much. And now they can transform anything into a stunning art work.



## MAKING A ZOETROPE

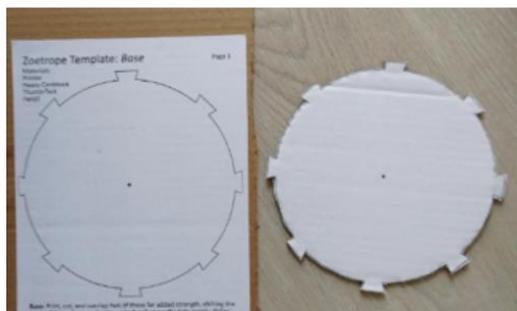
Grade 0 has been learning about senses and how they help to explore the world around us.

Students have been talking about how different things feel, smell, taste, sound and look. The children took part in activity based learning that encouraged investigation, exploration and how motion can create the illusion of movement. A zoetrope tricks the sense of sight by displaying a sequence of drawings showing progressive phases of motion, viewed through a cylinder with slits.

Students used their fine motor skills to cut replaceable cartoon strips, and their problem solving skills to build the cylinder. A slim stick was poked through the bottom in order to balance, hold and spin the zoetrope.



And behold, their project was complete, with the fascinating results of a dog seemingly catching a butterfly, as well as a man skipping and running.



# BIS Snapshot: Asia Day Festival





# GRADE 6 OVERNIGHT TRIP TO ISSYK KUL



Fun time by the bonfire under the starry sky



Enjoying good weather on the shore of Issyk Kul



# EXPLORING ISSYK KUL AND GRIGORIEV GORGE: GRADE 9 ADVENTURE



## CURRICULUM-FOCUSED PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

*we want your feedback!*

# TAKE THE SURVEY

Dear MYP Parents,

Please take a moment to fill out our [short survey](#) about your child's learning.

Your insights will guide our upcoming Parent Curriculum Information Sessions. Please complete it by **September 30<sup>th</sup>**.

Ms Nadine, MYP Coordinator

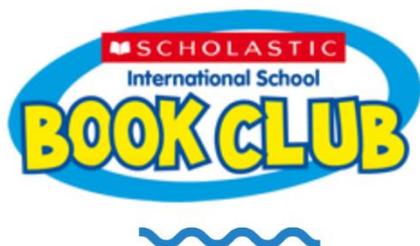


## SEPTEMBER SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

There are only 4 days left to order from our **September Scholastic Book Club**.

Just go to <http://eu-schools.scholastic.co.uk/bishkekinternationalschool> to browse the latest books and place your order.

Please place your order online by **Monday, September 25th, 2023**.



## SEPTEMBER SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS



**EVERY ORDER EARNS FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY!**

**SHOP AT:**

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THE BOOKS WILL BE DELIVERED TO BIS DIRECTLY FROM THE UK (IN NOVEMBER).



If you have any questions about book ordering please feel free to ask [library@bis.kg](mailto:library@bis.kg)

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR FOSTERING A LOVE FOR READING IN OUR STUDENTS.

## LUNCH MENU

The lunch menu for September 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> is **Menu B**.

You can view the [School menu](#) on our school website. 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.

## UPCOMING EVENTS – 2023/24 Calendar is [here](#)

- Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> September: Sports Day in Spartak Stadium: Grade 4 to 12
- Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>: All Parents Meeting – Parents Association
- Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> October – Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> October: CAFA Cross Country (Bishkek, Karagach Park)
- Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> October: Individual Parents-Teacher Meetings
- 16-20 October: Autumn/Fall Break
- Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October: UN Day at BIS
- Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October: Fall Festival/Halloween
- Tuesday-Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> November: Days of History & Memory of Ancestors
- Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November: Staff In-Service Training
- Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November: Friendsgiving Dinner – Parents Association
- Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> November: BIS Annual Debate Tournament
- Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> November: PYP Student led Conferences

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Most school communication is sent by email or in Voices. We also have Telegram and WhatsApp broadcast channels to repeat general email messages. The same info is on WhatsApp and Telegram, and on both English and Russian channels. If you do not check emails, join the channel that is easiest for you to follow.



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## PRESCHOOL 1

This week brought a variety of emotions and experiences. The students in Preschool 1 were delighted to meet their new friend, Kira. They had a great time playing together. We introduced students

to the practice game of hide and seek for the first time, and it turned out to be a fun and not-so-intimidating experience. To top it off, we celebrated with a pizza party to mark our success.

**Ms. Guldana, Preschool 1 Homeroom Teacher**



## PRESCHOOL 2

This week, our little ones had a wonderful time as we continued to explore the theme of "Friendship". We read many books together that helped us understand how to be good friends. We talked about taking turns, helping each other, and sharing toys. The children practiced these important friendship skills while playing with each other.

In our art lesson, we embarked on a creative journey by making "Friendship crafts". Each child had a chance

to create a special craft that celebrated the theme of friendship.

In our math lessons, we introduced the number 2. The children had fun learning to recognize and work with this number.

On Friday, we had a special day as we welcomed our new friend, Elena, to our preschool family. The children were excited to meet her, and we made sure she felt right at home in our warm and friendly classroom.

**Ms. Nuraida, Preschool 2 Homeroom Teacher**



### PRESCHOOL 3

This week in class was absolutely amazing! We put on our construction hats and got busy with some out-of-this-world projects. We learned how to number, paint, and cut out planets - it was so cool!

We also got our hands squishy with play-dough and created some awesome numbers. It was a fun and tactile way to learn! seeing them mold and shape the dough into numbers was completely impressive.

And let me tell you about the Find the Frog game - it was rib-biting! We played it to identify colors and had a blast doing it.

But that's not all we also learned some fantastic letters this week "T and I". We explored words like "turtle," "tiger," "tree," "ice cream," "igloo," "Island" It was an incredible journey through the alphabet!

Our learning sessions were filled with laughter, creativity, and lots of hands-on activities. We used colorful materials, sang catchy songs, and played engaging games to make learning even more exciting.

Can't wait to share more about our adventures in the upcoming week. Stay tuned!

**Ms. Bivo, Preschool 3B Homeroom Teacher**

