

Bishkek International School

MANAGEMENT BOARD 2020/21

Head of School, Chair of the Management Board



David Grant

Dr Grant is a Co-Founder of BIS and has been involved in all aspects of school development. From 2011-13 he served as Chair of the Governing Board. From April 2014 to September 2015 he joined the school in a management role and rejoined staff in May 2016 as Development Director before serving as Head of School and Chair of the Management Board. Dr Grant has a PhD from the University of Edinburgh and MBA from Henley Management College. He has managed projects in many different sectors in Central Asia for both international development and major private sector investors. His teaching experience includes leading courses in development and economics at the University of Edinburgh and at the OSCE Academy in Bishkek.

Director of Studies



Krisha Gandhi

Ms Krisha graduated with a first-class degree from University of London's School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) where she studied Mandarin and History. She is a qualified Primary Teacher (PGCE) with teaching experience in the UK and China. Ms Krisha recently gained her Master's degree in Educational Leadership and Policy from University of Warwick. She joined BIS in August 2017 as a Primary 1 teacher and her proven skills led to her appointment as PYP Coordinator and Head of Languages from summer 2018 and Director of Studies from summer 2019. Ms Krisha is a dedicated teacher who passionately believes that education has the power to create a better and more peaceful world.

Head of Administration



Mirzat Osmonova

Ms Mirzat graduated from the Kyrgyz National University with a Degree in English Linguistics and Intercultural Communications. She joined the BIS team in 2012 and worked in various roles before her appointment as Head of Administration in 2017. Ms Mirzat has broad responsibility for BIS facilities, operational systems, health, safety and security.

Assistant Head of School

Jacques Prinsloo



Mr Jacques has a PGCE in Secondary teaching from the University of South Africa, a Diploma in Investment Management from the University of South Africa, a Bachelors in Economics from the University of Pretoria, a Diploma in teaching English as an Additional Language and is currently completing a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from the University of Illinois. Mr Jacques taught EAL in South Korea for several years before joining BIS in August 2017. Mr Jacques has taken on leadership roles in the school and is IGCSE Coordinator and teacher of Economics and Business Studies in IGCSE.