

# Bishkek International School

## PRESCHOOL TEACHING TEAM 2023/24

### Head of Preschool and Preschool 3 Homeroom Teacher



#### Carmen Prinsloo

**Ms Carmen** graduated from the North West University of South Africa with a BA in Education in Foundation Phase learning, is a certified teacher at the South African Council of Educators and is accredited to teach Foundation Phase. Ms Carmen worked in international preschools in both South Africa and South Korea for 4 years prior to joining BIS in summer 2017 as Head of Preschool and has led our Preschool from strength to strength.

### Preschool 3 Co-Teacher



#### Kulkaiyr Junusheva

**Ms Kulkaiyr** has many years of experience in childcare and education and is the longest serving member of BIS teaching staff, having joined us in 2012 as a Preschool Teacher Assistant. Over the last eight years, Ms Kulkaiyr has shown just how well she cares for and teaches our younger students as she communicates so well and enjoys spending time with them.

### Preschool 3 Co-Teacher



#### Kudrat Niiazov

**Mr Kudrat** graduated from KRSU, Faculty of International Relations and has a bachelor's degree in political science. Kudrat also worked for three years in schools in Bishkek as an English language teacher and chess teacher. He is currently studying for a master's degree in the humanities. Mr Kudrat joined BIS Preschool in summer 2022. In 23/24 he looks forward to inspiring students to new heights and victories, including teaching keen students how to play chess. Mr Kudrat's hobbies are chess, football, drawing, music, reading books and photography.

### Preschool 3 Co-Teacher



#### Nurzat Raymbekovna

**Ms Nurzat** graduated from the Kyrgyz National University and has a Bachelor's and Master's degree, as well as a one-year course "Small and Medium Business Accountant" from the School of Economics of KNU. She has varied work experience in business but joined BIS in January 2022 as she loves interacting with children and helping them to learn. In 2023/24 Ms Nurzat is Co-Teacher for Preschool 3 and will also provide support for other preschool classes as required.

### Preschool 2 Homeroom Teacher



#### Nuraida Asanbaeva

**Ms Nuraida** graduated from the Kyrgyz Russian Slavic University and has a diploma in the Theory and Practice of Translation. She has 5 years' experience working with school students from age 7 to 10. She very much enjoys the opportunity to be with children to help them grow and flourish. Ms Nuraida joined BIS as a Primary Co-Teacher in August 2019, and moved Preschool as a Homeroom Teacher in early 2023, where she loves working with young children who are always full of fun.

### Preschool 2 Co-Teacher



#### Zharkyn Oskonbaeva

**Ms Zharkyn** graduated from the Institute of Economics, University J.A. Alyshbaeva. After graduation, she worked in the State Tax Service, then in the State Enterprise "Kyrgyz Pochtasy", and the Commercial Bank "Kyrgyzstan". Since then she has worked with children as she says *"they fill her with freshness, joy, new discoveries, wisdom, and happiness"*. Ms Zharkyn likes that preschool children help her be constantly on the move, and she always finds joy in the smile of a child!

### Preschool 1 Homeroom Teacher



#### Guldana Muratalieva

**Ms Guldana** graduated from Bishkek Humanities University, Faculty of European Civilization, as an English Language Teacher, then worked in business organizations in both Bishkek and Qatar, before returning to teach in Bishkek. Ms Guldana joined the BIS team in summer 2021 as a Co-Teacher in Primary School, where her wonderful approach to working with and inspiring children led her to move to Preschool 1 as Homeroom Teacher from summer 2023. She is also currently completing a Masters degree at the Kyrgyz and Russian Slavic University.

### Preschool 1 Co-Teacher



#### Laura Meliou

**Ms Laura** graduated from the International University of Kyrgyzstan with a Bachelors Degree in Linguistics and a Masters Degree in Philology. She is a mother of two teenage children, who loves life, believing that the world is bright, full of colour, and that all good dreams should come true. Ms Laura joined BIS in summer 2022 and moved to Preschool in summer 2023.