



## EXPLORING CULTURES, TRADITIONS, AND HOLIDAYS

Grade 1 Yellow students explored different cultures, traditions, and holidays in their Unit of Inquiry “How We Express Ourselves”. We discussed different celebrations that people celebrate worldwide and found out about various cultures. We connected our UOI topic across the subjects and learned about time in math and how people tracked time using astronomical bodies in science lessons. One of our discoveries was the moon phases and celebration of the Full Moon Festival in some countries. Grade 1 students used their measuring and baking skills to bake the mooncake and enjoyed it very much.



## CPR, BROC AND KTI AWARDS

A huge well done to our award winners:

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

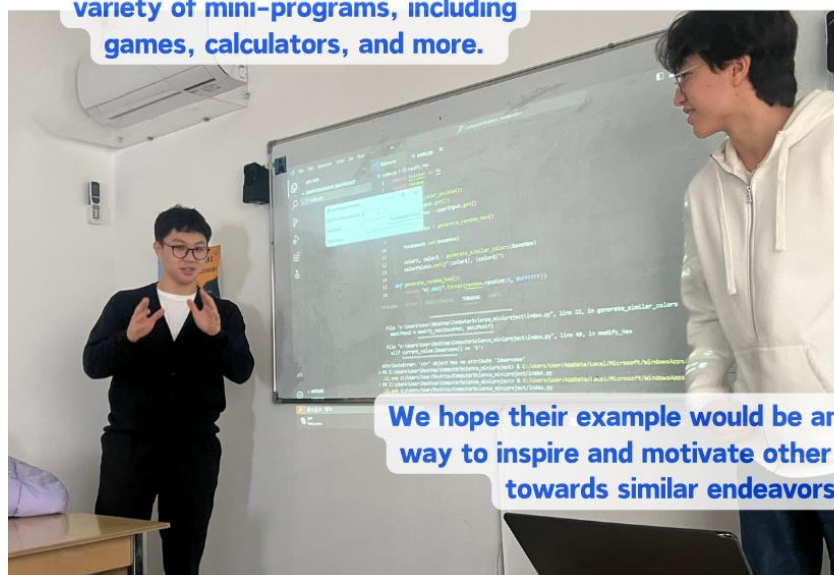
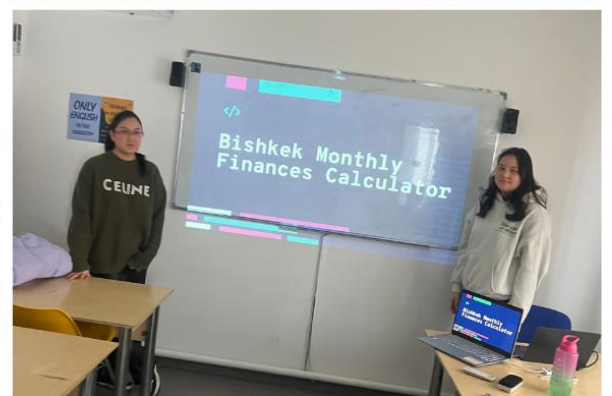
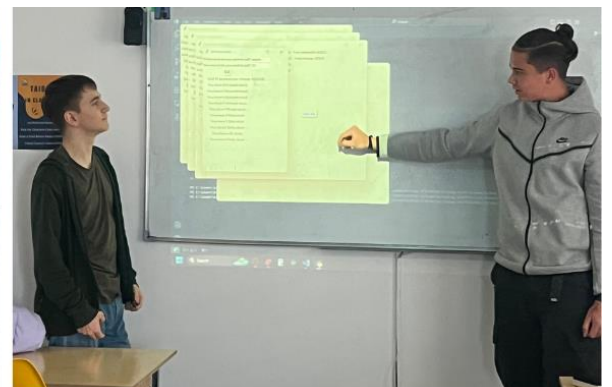
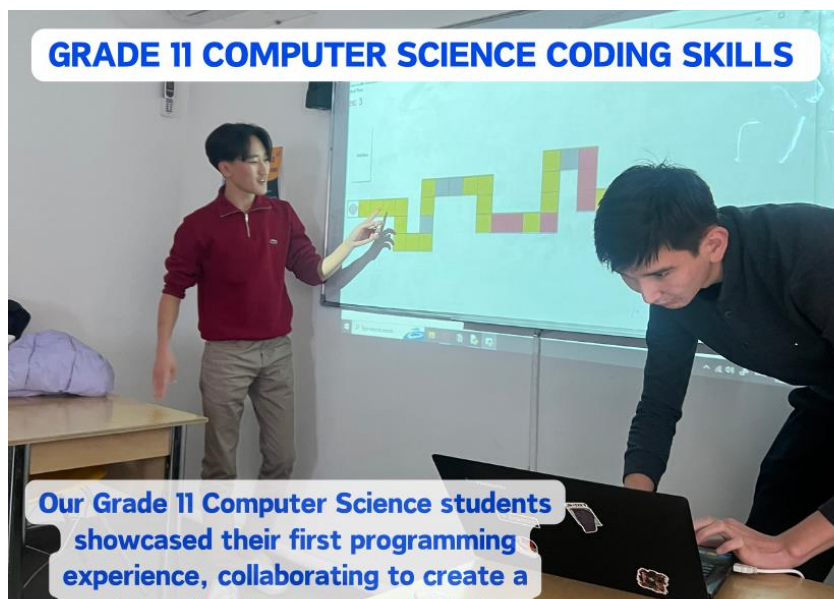
**Ainar (Preschool 2), Mikhail (Grade 1), Ian (Grade 1), Luka (Grade 2), Shunji (Grade 2)**

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

**Sabina (Grade 2)**

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

**All Grade 0 Yellow**



# EXPLORING KYRGYZ CUISINE AT NAVAT

During an exciting trip as part of a Kyrgyz language lesson, 6th grade students visited the Navat restaurant. They learned the history and evolution of the restaurant, which is presented not only in Kyrgyzstan, but also in Moscow, Chicago and Dubai.



Navat started with Kyrgyz dishes, expanding the menu with Asian and European dishes. And the word "navat" itself means a crystallized piece of sugar and honey. Students asked questions, practiced their spoken Kyrgyz language skills, and showed interest in the Kyrgyz culture and cuisine.



## EXPLORING LUNG ANATOMY THROUGH DISSECTION



During the Biology lesson, Grade 10 students engaged in a lung dissection experiment, exploring the anatomical structures and functions firsthand. They carefully dissected lungs, identifying key components such as bronchi and alveoli, enhancing their understanding of respiratory systems. This hands-on activity provided valuable insights into lung physiology and reinforced classroom learning.





## Be your own ECO HERO, Just like Grade Zero!

Grade Zero would like to encourage the BIS community to remember about the importance of sorting the trash, so it can be reused, recycled or composted later. We are learning to keep the Earth and our school clean. [Check out video by this link.](#)

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB



Our January Book Club is up and running!

The deadline for orders is **Monday, January 29, 2024.**

The books will be delivered to BIS directly from the UK (at the end of February).

You can browse the books and place your order online by the following link:

<http://eu-schools.scholastic.co.uk/bishkekinternationalschool>

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

### LUNCH MENU

The lunch menu for January 29<sup>th</sup> – February 2<sup>nd</sup> is **Menu D.**

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.

# Preschool and Primary School Winter Sports Day

2nd February, Friday



Further Information will be provided

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

- 2<sup>nd</sup> February, Friday: Primary Winter Sports Day
- 14<sup>th</sup> February, Wednesday: Valentine’s Day organized by Students
- 16-17 February, Friday-Saturday, Basketball Tournament at Dvorec Sporta, organised by BIS
- 21<sup>st</sup> February, Wednesday: Languages in Our Lives Day
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February, Friday: Homeland Defender’s Day (no school)
- 29<sup>th</sup> February, Thursday – 2<sup>nd</sup> March, Saturday: Central Asian Basketball Championship in Tashkent

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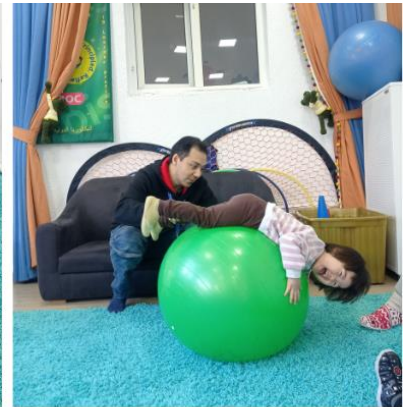


## PRESCHOOL 1

This week was amazing. Preschool 1 students were in a great mood and were enthusiastic during lessons. In our Unit of Inquiry (UOI), we started a new unit titled 'How We Express Ourselves.' We learned that people might feel happy, sad, angry, shy, or bored, and it is okay to experience different emotions. Additionally, we discussed community helpers. Our students love various professions such as police officers, builders, doctors, veterinarians, cooks, and more.

In math, we learned that different items might have different shapes. For example, a ball is a circle, and a book can be square or rectangular. Music, art and P.E. lessons were just perfect too. Thank you to Ms. Aziza, Ms. Aijan and Mr. Sergei. That is all for now. Have a nice weekend!

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



## PRESCHOOL 2

This week, we started learning about sounds with the letter 'S.' We found out that words like snow, sun, star, socks, spider, and snake all start with the 'S' sound. We had fun making cute snakes and saying 'S' together to remember it better. In our UOI class, we read a nice book called "The Color Monster" to talk about feelings. It was interesting to know that everyone has different feelings, and that's okay. We learned that yellow represents happiness, blue for sadness, red for

anger, black for fear, and green for calm. We also colored monsters, making the class fun and engaging. Towards the end of the week, we had the pleasure of welcoming a new friend, Simeon, to our classroom community. It's always wonderful to grow our circle of friends! Additionally, we celebrated a special occasion – Ainar's birthday! We laughed and had a great time together this week.

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



## PRESCHOOL 3

We had an incredibly fun and educational week in our preschool, diving into the fascinating world of healthy and unhealthy food.

The kids had a blast sorting different types of food, including fruits, vegetables, and other yummy treats, into the categories of healthy and unhealthy. It was a hands-on activity that got their little minds buzzing with knowledge about nutritious choices.

In our language class, we explored the differences between similar fruits like oranges and tangerines, lime and lemon. With "O" as our letter of the week, we chatted about the goodness of oranges and onions, and why they are so healthy.

In math, we took a juicy approach to learning the concept of addition and subtraction. The kids had fun adding and subtracting oranges and tangerines from fruit tins, making math a delicious adventure.

Our main activity was a healthy and mouthwatering fruity BBQ. We gathered oranges, tangerines, dragon fruit, pineapple, apples, and bananas to create our own colorful and nutritious masterpieces. The kids absolutely loved it!

To wrap up the week with a burst of joy, we had a vibrant color party. The littles ones got to play with paint, exploring the colors of the fruits and vegetables they learned about. It was a messy, creative, and unforgettable experience!

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

