



10 January 2020

Secondary News

A word from Ms Andronikos

Happy New Year and welcome back to all the BISL community. From the buzz around the school on Day One, it seemed that all students had a lovely break and were excited to reconnect with their peers.

Fast approaching the second part of the year, students continue to prepare for their assessments, and a significant indicator of progress so far for the Year 11 to 13 students are the upcoming Mock exams. These are exams set to mimic the IGCSE and A-level exams and are scheduled for next week. Students are to attend school only for the duration of their exams and to spend the remaining time in the week studying and preparing for them. Exam etiquette during this time is observed, so students must be properly equipped and ensure conditions are met. We wish students luck for these Mock exams, and I hope that they observe the feedback from them wisely.

This week the BISL floorball team competed in the finals at Ludus. Well done to these students who reached this stage of the fierce competition.

Next week an IGCSE subject information evening will be held on Thursday at 16:00. Teachers will be available in their departments to discuss their subject with students, and families are able to freely move about to find out more about their choices of subjects. This session is compulsory for Year 9 families, so that students can make more informed choices. I look forward to seeing many students there.

Have a lovely weekend to all.

Stephanie Andronikos, Head of Secondary

Staffing Update

We welcomed the following new teachers to Secondary BISL:

Mr. Collop is a new Secondary Maths teacher. He was born and raised in London. He earned a BA Hons degree in Economics & History from Keele University, BSc at Maths Open University, followed by MA in Education Open University. This is his tenth year working internationally (previously Jordan, China twice & Thailand). He spent 25 years teaching in London before going overseas. Most of this time he was Head of department and a Senior Teacher at two Schools. When he is not working, he enjoys travelling, the outdoors, reading, chess & live music.

Mr. Greening-Jackson is our new Business and Economics teacher. He graduated from Oxford Brookes University with a 1st in Applied Accountancy. He also completed the examination for ACCA, which is one of the UK Chartered Accountancy bodies. He began teaching full time in 1990 and has taught at universities, colleges and schools in Europe and Asia.

Mr Walton, Principal

PE News

This Thursday our school hosted the finals in Floorball inner school tournament. As our BISL Floorball team took 2nd place in the preliminary round they had a chance to reach for the top. Unfortunately, they were unlucky with the team they were facing up against in their 1st and most important match as they had to beat Primary school Zalog. The final score was 2:1 for the opponents, who at the end went all the way beating all of the

opponents and became the champions for this school season.

I would like to take this opportunity to give my regards to all the players who represented BISL Floorball team as they showed great team spirit and went above and beyond by giving their maximum effort on the court.



Anže Damjan Head of PE

MFL BLOCK

It will be a very exciting block ahead for the MFL team. We will dedicate block 4 to languages. If you look around the school you may have already noticed some posters with different questions. Everyone is invited to answer in their own language. Keep your eyes and ears open for more to come!

Miss Kotnik , MFL Department

SCIENCE

Science Club

Here are a couple of photos that show some of the exciting things our science department offered during the last week of last term.



MyMachine Project

The project to be selected from Primary to work on by Secondary was "The extinction clock". More details to follow.

Mr Cox, Science department

EUROPEAN FENCING TOURNAMENT

2 BISL students, Lars and Jon Ponikvar are attending the European Fencing Tournament in Bratislava this week. Jon will be the youngest participant in the tournament. Lars is currently ranked 1st in Slovenia and 230th in Europe. We wish both boys the best of

luck and we look forward to hearing about their results soon.

LIVING OUR VALUES – SAVING LIVES

As a caring community we have prepared an old but new project that has been shown to be successful – blood donation.

Small drops but with such a meaning for someone in need.

We live our values, and this is one of the most meaningful projects that goes straight from the heart of our community. It only takes your time and a heart of a lion to become a proud donor!

While being part of this project, you demonstrate true **empathy** and **respect** to those who need blood as well as their loved ones. If you have never given blood before – **challenge** yourself and you will find a new **excellence** within yourself.

Information presentation by the Red Cross (instructions and limitation presentation):

Monday, 13 January: 8.00 - 9.00 For parents, secondary teachers and senior students

9.10 – 9.30 Quick version presentation for primary teachers

Final date and time of blood donation:

Friday, 7 February: 12.00 Leave school by the Red Cross bus (pick-up and drop-off)

If you have any questions please feel free to contact

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Dates to Note

January

Mon 13th January	Red Cross Blood Drive Presentation
Mon 13th January	Mock exams begin
Weds 15th January	IGSCE Subject evening
Thurs 23rd January	Sixth form Subject evening
Fri 24th January	Student appreciation day

School Contact Details

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