



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Monday 19 th March	Parent/Teacher Consultation Meeting – Zekeriyaköy
Tuesday 20 th March	Parent/Teacher Consultation Meeting – Etiler
Friday 23 rd March	KS2 Cross Country
Thursday 29 th March	City Campus Performance
Friday 30 th March	End of Term Two
Tuesday 10 th April	Start of Term Three
Friday 20 th April	Fun Day 2018
Tuesday 24 th April	Year Five Space Camp (24 th – 27 th)
Monday 7 th May	Cappadocia Trip (7 th – 11 th)
Monday 7 th May	Computing Week
Monday 14 th May	Assessment Week
Thursday 17 th May	EYFS Sports Day

Dear Parents,

Below is a brief outline of some forthcoming events. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole school community for making this term a great success. We wish everyone a very happy and restful holiday.

Interhouse Cross Country



The Interhouse Cross Country will be taking place on Friday 23rd March at 10:00hrs in the Belgrade Forest. This is a very exciting event and we hope that many of you will be able to come and see your child run. All Key Stage Two students will be taking part.

Parent/Teacher Meetings



These are coming up at the end of this month at all the Pre School and Primary School Campuses. You will be receiving forms asking you to indicate your preferred time to meet your child's class teacher. Subject teachers will also be available.

Holiday Reminder



The school will be closing for the Spring break on Friday 30th March at 12:00hrs. Lunch will not be served on this day. School reopens on Tuesday 10th April.

Fun Day 2018

As part of the Children's Day celebration, Fun Day 2018 will be held on Friday 20th April, between 11:00hrs and 14:30hrs at our Zekeriyaköy Campus. The format will be different to previous years. Students from the City Campus will be transported by bus for the start of the event. Lunch will be provided for everyone and all activities will be free. Fun Day 2018 is also for parents so please come and join us. Further details will be sent to you in the coming weeks.



Our Accreditations



The relationship between the Council of International Schools (CIS) and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) has changed. As a result of this change, BISI has made the decision to move our USA accreditation from NEASC to the Middle State Association (MSA). BISI is now accredited by the Council of British International Schools (COBIS), CIS and MSA. You will see the new logo on our school documentation.

Primary Physical Education



Some students are still wearing the incorrect uniform. Primary students must change out of their PE clothes after their lesson. If your child has PE in the morning, they can come in their PE kit and change after the lesson. If your child has PE in the afternoon your child needs to come in their uniform and then change at lunchtime into their PE clothes.

If you are unsure about the time of your child's PE lesson, please speak to the class teacher.

Warm Clothing



Although the weather is improving, some days can still be a little cold. Please can you ensure that your child comes suitably dressed with a warm coat on these days.

Birthdays

☺ Happy Birthday to you! ☺



March

Sophia (1 st)	Leon (5 th)	Rüzgar (9 th)
Lara (10 th)	Zofia (10 th)	Edin (11 th)
Sofia (12 th)	Demir (15 th)	Lara (17 th)
Nesta (17 th)	Douwe (20 th)	Nidal (20 th)
Ye Hyeon (20 th)	Emily (23 rd)	Yasmina (24 th)
Koyru (25 th)	Jeongwoon (27 th)	Jeongwon (27 th)
Asya (30 th)	Ediz (30 th)	Sean (31 st)

If your child is missing off the list, please let me know via email and they will be included in next month's newsletter.

Head Lice

As you know, the nurse checks student's hair at regular intervals, especially after holidays. If any of your children have long hair, please ensure that it is tied back when they are in school.



Curriculum Enrichment Activities

All students have the opportunity to participate in Enrichment Activities. These cover a range of activities and provide an opportunity for students to explore their own interests within our academic setting. This term, we are offering the following activities:

City Campus

During ECA time this term, the students will be busy preparing for an end of term performance called 'The Origins of Oz'. It is based on 'The Wizard of Oz', and will include the main characters from the well-known musical. This is a very exciting project for both the students and teachers.



Zekeriyaköy Campus

Art (KS1), Art (KS2), Building, Chess, Capture the Flag, Drama (KS1), Drama (KS2), French, Painting, Mother Tongue Drama, Turkish and Yoga.

Private Clubs

Private clubs are offered throughout the year, run by specialist from outside the school. These can range from Fencing to Hapkido, Street Dance and Ballet to Robotics. If you would like a particular afterschool club to take place, please speak to your Campus Coordinator.



Coffee Mornings

We would like to invite you to join us for coffee. The Senior Leadership Team will be available to discuss any current issues with you regarding the school. The dates are as follows:



March

Thursday 1 st	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- City
Friday 2 nd	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- Zek

April

Thursday 12 th	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- City
Friday 13 th	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- Zek

Little Pine Cones Playgroup

Playgroups are held twice a week at both campuses. They are for all children up to 2½ years old, accompanied by a known adult. There is a charge of 10TL per session.

At the City

Monday mornings	09:00hrs - 11:00hrs
Wednesday mornings	09:00hrs - 11:00hrs

At Zekeriyaköy

Tuesday mornings	09:00hrs - 11:00hrs
Thursday mornings	09:00hrs - 11:00hrs

Pre/Primary Assemblies

Assemblies are held every Friday. We have a wide range of presentations from drama to music, puppets to celebrating success.



You will be contacted by the class teacher if your child is involved.

Communication

Please feel free to contact me anytime. I am usually at the Zekeriyaköy Campus on Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning, and at the Etiler Campus on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoon.

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I will endeavour to reply to your message within 24 hours.

The beginning and the end of the day is a very busy time for teachers. If you wish to speak to your child's class teacher, please make an appointment via your Campus Secretary.

With best wishes

Richard I'Anson
Pre School & Primary School Director