



PTA Newsflash for BISI

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Important School Dates May/June:

Primary:

May: Mon 30th – Fri 3 June – SATs Week

June

Fri 3rd – EYFS Summer Assembly and Graduation

Sat 4th – Fun Day!!!

Thurs 9th – Key Stage 1: Swimming Fun Day

Fri 10th – Key Stage 2: Swimming Gala

Wed 15th – Key Stage 1: Summer Performance

Wed 15th – Y6 Transition: Parent Information Evening

Thu 23rd – Primary Awards Ceremony

Fri 24th – End of Year Reports issued

Secondary:

May: Fri 27 – Graduation Ceremony

Mon 30-Thur 2 June – Y8 Field Trip to Igneada

June

Sat 4th – Fun Day!!!

Mon 6/Fri 10 – Group 4 Projects

Thurs 9/Fri 10 – “Lion King” Production

Mon 13/Thurs 16 – Exams in Gym

Thur 16/Fri 17 – Y12 TOK Presentations

Mon 20 – Swimming Gala

BISI - FUN DAY

4 June (Saturday) from 11-15h

The BIG EVENT of the year: the *FUN DAY* for the whole family on the school campus with games, food and great FAMILIY entertainment.

If you or your company could sponsor this event with goods or services, please contact Helen Kiran at communications@bis.k12.tr.

If you want to give any help, please contact Ayna at akafkasli@gmail.com, or join us when we meet every Wednesday at 9h in Ms Amanda office for the organization.



Saturday 28 May, 20h

Parents' Night Out

Join us together with your spouse or friends for this school year's final **Night Out** at stylish

Bloom Restaurant in Ulus!



Everybody is welcome! Get ready to eat and dance all night ...

Part of the proceeds will go to a local Turkish charity.

This is your last chance to get your tickets. Tickets cost 125 TL/person. The price includes open buffet, unlimited local drinks and all night DJ playing international hits.

HURRY!!! We close down tickets sales on Friday!

For tickets please contact

Lamia Sarahni (lamiasarahni@yahoo.fr), Aslihan Sarici (asarici@hotmail.com) or Elena Vardar (evardar@teamtroy.com).

Don't miss this special occasion:

Come and join the fun!!

Message from the Secondary Arts Department:

IB Students in Visual Arts will be holding their

IB Art Exhibition 2011

Monday the 30th of May from 6pm- 8pm

Demirciköy Kultur Merkezi,

Sariyer Belediyesi, Demirciköy Sapagi,

Kilyos Yolis, Sariyer. (Across the road from school)

It would be great if you came to show your support!

Iysha Miah, BISI Arts Teacher, i.miah@bisistanbul.org

♪♪ Musical Afternoon at BISI ♪♪

♪♪ on 16 June, 16-18h ♪♪

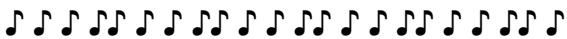


Thank you for the first sign-ups! We still have some space for more performers!

The PTA and BISI Music Department are delighted to **invite performers of all ages** (students, parents and teachers!) to present a musical piece they have practised during their private music classes this year.

To all BISI music lovers: Let's enjoy making music or listening to it! Be part of the audience if you don't play yourself. Tickets will be on sale in June.

All proceeds will go towards improving the musical life at BISI.



Students: You can sign up with your music teachers.

Parents: for more info, write to udenhof@yahoo.com.

Teachers: Please talk to Michael Fenwick or Rachel McDonald.

Ulrike Denhof, PTA Communications
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SUNDAY SPORTS CLUB



Children can still come and join our Sunday mornings football and basketball sessions. Price: 10TL per session. Lessons will continue through May / June! Contact judith-kuiper@novodoor.com.

When you have only two pennies left in the world, buy a loaf of bread with one and a lily with the other. Chinese Proverb

**Would you like to be on a BBC Programme?
Are you an English-speaking Turkish family?
Do you like teenagers?
Then this project might be of interest to you:**

Twenty Twenty Television have been commissioned by the BBC in London to produce a series examining different cultural approaches to parenting around the world. This series takes two British teenagers to live with different families all over the globe, in order that they can experience different ideas concerning culture, education, respect for elders and individual responsibility towards the family unit.

The hope is that our teenagers will gain some insights into a new family structure, discipline and the importance of aspiration and education, which they can then apply to their own lives back in the UK.

We are keen to represent a traditional (English speaking) Turkish family. We would love to shoot an episode in the vibrant and diverse city of Istanbul and are trying to reach out to potential families living there who might be interested in working with the BBC on this project, hosting 2 British students for a week **at the end of July 2011**.

Are you interested? Then please contact

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The dog shelter SHKD in Kemerburgaz is celebrating its annual Open Day on **May 29th from 12 till 4pm**. Please feel free to drop in with family and friends to get to know and hopefully support the shelter, it should be a fun-filled afternoon especially for kids.

Address: Eski Hasdal Cöplüğü, Gaz Toplama İstasyonu Bitişiği, Hasdal Eyüp

Report: PTA Supported MAY Events

PTA Charity Committee:

“Bring a Shoebox” Collection 2- 13 May



WOW - The BISI families are wonderfully generous! Thank you to all families who donated presents for children in need! We received an amazing 98 shoeboxes filled with gifts!!!



All shoeboxes were delivered to TOKATKÖY ILKÖGRETİM OKULU in Beykoz on Monday 16 May and handed to the entire class of 98 children aged 7/8.



It was very touching to see how excited the children were when the gifts were distributed...



You put a smile on many children's faces that day! Again a warm “Thank You” to all donors, and also to the school for providing us with a bus and driver! Nilgun Sarmas, PTA Charity Committee

Book Swap - 18 May

A HUGE Thank You to Camilla Aarons and all moms who helped with this successful event! 😊

Dear BISI Families,

The result of the Book Swap was as follows:

About 770 books were exchanged and went home with a new owner! 178 books were donated to the school.

Many 2nd hand school clothes and books were sold on top. Many English and foreign books were swapped during the day, to the delight of the finders:

Comments:

A girl: - Please can I buy this for my mum? She looves George Clooney!

A mum: - This is great since books are so expensive in Turkey!

A boy: - Look, I found a book for my dad in Dutch!

The 178 books that had not been picked up at the end of the day were donated to the following departments:

- **108 foreign children books** (German, Dutch, Russian, Spanish, Korean and French) were donated to the ESL department.

- **37 Turkish children books** were donated to the Turkish Mother Tongue department.

- **33 young children's books** were donated to the Pre Primary Department.

Kind regards, PTA Campus Committee,

Camilla Aarons, (minsie1zek@hotmail.com)

Next Year Primary Project:

Country Presentations on School Display Boards:

Would you like to help educate our Primary children by designing fun information about your country on a display board?

You and your friends can pick one week during next academic year when you will place your country presentation materials on a board in the Primary Building. Your kids can help to pick and design that information if you wish – it will stay in the hallway for a week or two. Just imagine how proud your children will be to see their country displayed in their school.

We already have families from **Holland, Germany, Russia, Colombia** who will participate in this educative project. Ideally, we wish to display most countries represented at our school.

For more information, please contact:

evardar@teamtroy or **j.esiyok@bisistanbul.org**

Kind regards, **Ulrike Denhof** (udenhof@yahoo.com)
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