

## Secondary School

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Dear Students and Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome new parents and returning parents to Key Stage 5.

The start of this new academic year has already been very exciting. In the second week all the KS5 students were involved in Creativity, Action & Services activities in the primary school and in Antalya. The students were working with WWF Turkey on a preservation & conservation project to help the Turtles in Antalya and in the primary school they were assisting the teachers and helping the younger students with their learning. Throughout the year the students will continue working on more CAS related activities.

This year the KS5 team is going to introduce a new Personal, Social, Health and Economic well being (PSHE) programme. The main focus of the new programme is to prepare the students for their next stage of higher education. Examples of topics of the new programme are;

- University application process
- Living abroad
- Personal finances
- Careers

To monitor the academic progress and help the students to develop values and life skills is the main role of the Key Stage 5 form tutors and the KS5 coordinator. We meet on a regular basis to discuss the students' targets for IB Diploma programme.

If you as a parent have a question about the academic programme or the social aspects of your child's school life please contact your child's form tutor, they are your first point of contact at the school.

This form tutors for this academic year are;

12B Mrs Eileen Aydinlar – e.aydinlar@bisistanbul.org

12I Mr James O'Hara – j.ohara@bisistanbul.org

13B Mrs Hannah Oxlade – h.oxlade@bisistanbul.org

13I Ms Fiona Lewis – f.lewis@bisistanbul.org

Ms Holly Garner is the support form tutor for KS5

Throughout the year I will keep you informed of news regarding the IB Diploma programme and Key Stage 5 activities in the school and in Istanbul. In September and October we have a number of universities visiting our campus, the first is on September 27<sup>th</sup> when the University of Columbia will be visiting.

I wish all of our students a very successful and productive academic year.

Yours faithfully,

Mr John Bosman



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