



## Dear Parents

Below are details about some recent events.

The Pre School and Primary School students celebrated a very successful Harvest Festival which ended with assemblies at all campuses. Food was collected and delivered to the Little Sisters of the Poor. They were very grateful for the donation and thank everyone for their contribution.



On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> October we held a day of Halloween activities. All the students and some brave teachers dressed in their scary costumes and they all looked fantastic. The City Campus also had a spooky bake sale. A big thank you to the parents for providing the decorations and sweets.

## School Photographs

You should have received your child's school photograph. Please could you ensure that payment is made to your Campus Secretary by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November. This year the packs contain fridge magnets. Extra ones can be purchased for 5TL each.

If you do not wish to purchase your child's photographs, please return them as soon as possible.



## International Week



Week starting Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November is the beginning of our International Week when we will celebrate the cultural diversity of our school. There will be a number of activities taking place across the campuses, including International Food Courts.

## Holiday Reminder

Don't forget that the school will be closed on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November for Kurban Bayram. School recommences on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

## Diary Dates

Date	Event
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	International Week (8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> )
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Pre School & Primary School Winter Bazaars
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 5 & 6 Winter Performance (Zek Students)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Winter Assembly (City)
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Winter Assembly (Zek)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Winter Bazaars (City & Zek)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Interim Reports Issued

*The school year calendar is available on our website.*

## Student Council

Student Councils have been set up at the City and Zekeriyaköy Campuses and we look forward to them having a very productive year.

The Student Council at Zekeriyaköy Campus have already organised a non-uniform day to raise money for the Pakistan Flood appeal.

The Student Council at the City Campus are busy organising a disco that will take place after the Winter Bazaar.



## Winter Performances

We are starting to turn our thoughts towards the end of term. Our Primary seasonal presentation will involve the Year Five and Year Six students at Zekeriyaköy Campus and is scheduled for Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December.



The City EYFS Winter Assembly will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December and the Zekeriyaköy EYFS Winter Assembly will take place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

Further details for all three events will follow soon.

## Home/School Communication

It is very important that parents write a note in the Home/School Communication Book if their child's pick up arrangements change. We will not change a child's way of transport for that evening if we do not have a note written in the book.



## Staffing



In line with our Whole School Development Plan, we have promoted six members of the Primary teaching staff to the Middle Leadership Team. In addition to their teaching positions, they will be responsible for leading different areas of the curriculum across the campuses. The members of the Middle Leadership Team are Julie Esiyok, Rebecca Fox, Jessica Holt, Lucie Lecocq, Lizzie Lincoln and Sarah Tatal.

We congratulate them for their new appointments and wish them every success as they develop their roles.

## Birthdays

☺ Happy Birthday to you! ☺



### September

Olivia (20<sup>th</sup>)

### November

Ziva (1<sup>st</sup>)

Hazel (3<sup>rd</sup>)

Melda (5<sup>th</sup>)

Jeong Hee (8<sup>th</sup>)

Pien (11<sup>th</sup>)

Melissa (14<sup>th</sup>)

Peri (15<sup>th</sup>)

Ji Hoon (18<sup>th</sup>)

Lauren (22<sup>nd</sup>)

Ali John (30<sup>th</sup>)

### October

Amelia (26<sup>th</sup>)

Dalia (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Dan Bi (4<sup>th</sup>)

Lara (6<sup>th</sup>)

Zsofia (8<sup>th</sup>)

Selin (11<sup>th</sup>)

Deniz (15<sup>th</sup>)

Margherita (15<sup>th</sup>)

Shahad (19<sup>th</sup>)

Nicholas (26<sup>th</sup>)

Esha (3<sup>rd</sup>)

Ameila (5<sup>th</sup>)

Ethem (8<sup>th</sup>)

Derya (11<sup>th</sup>)

Tiago (11<sup>th</sup>)

Khushi (15<sup>th</sup>)

Stan (15<sup>th</sup>)

Yuna (19<sup>th</sup>)

Lula (29<sup>th</sup>)

*If your child is missing off the list, please let me know via email and I will include them in next month's newsletter.*

## 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. Below is a reminder of the Primary assembly times.

Zekeriyaköy Campus - 09:30hrs

Alkent Campus - 14:00hrs

Etiler Campus - 14:45hrs

## Clubs



Clubs on all campuses are coming to an end. A big thank you to all the staff for providing the students with a fun selection of activities. The new cycle will start again early next term.

## Coffee Mornings



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

### November

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs - Etiler

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> - 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs - Alkent

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> - 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs - Zek

### December

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> - 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs - Etiler

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> - 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs - Alkent

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> - 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs - Zek

## Little Pine Cones Playgroup

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

### At Etiler

Monday mornings 09:00hrs - 11:00hrs

Friday mornings 09:00hrs - 11:00hrs

### At Zekeriyaköy

Tuesday mornings 09:00hrs - 11:00hrs

Thursday mornings 09:00hrs - 11:00hrs

## School Lunches

Our website has an on-line menu with details of each month's lunches for your child.



## School Uniform



Winter is on its way and the weather will be getting colder. Over the coming weeks, please make sure that your child comes suitably dressed.

## Communication

You are welcome to contact us anytime.

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With best wishes

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