



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Monday 6 th February	Primary Ski Trip
Thursday 15 th March	Years 3 & 4 Spring Performance (Zek Students)
Thursday 22 nd March	City Campus Performances
Monday 26 th March	PE and Health Week
Monday 26 th March	Parent/Teacher Consultation- Alkant
Tuesday 27 th March	KS2 Cross Country Event
Tuesday 27 th March	Parent/Teacher Consultation- Zek
Wednesday 28 th March	EYFS & KS1 Fun Fit Morning
Wednesday 28 th March	Parent/Teacher Consultation- Etiler
Friday 30 th March	Spring Egg Hunt and Bonnet Parade

A complete listing of this year's events are available on the school website.

Dear Parents,



It is unfortunate that we have had some unplanned school closures this term. To help us, please make sure that you have your emergency telephones with you at all times. Also, if any of your contact details change, please inform your campus secretary immediately.

Did you manage to access the online EYFS/Primary worksheets? Were you able to easily access the web page? Were the tasks easy to download? Did your child find the activities useful? We would be grateful if you could provide us with some feedback about them.



Primary Ski Trip



The Primary Ski Trip to Uludağ Ski Resort, will take place from Monday 6th February to Wednesday 8th February. The trips will be for the students in Years Four, Five and Six. There are over 60 students and 6 teachers taking part and we are sure that they will have a great time.

COBIS

You will soon be seeing the new COBIS logo on our website and printed matter.



'Executive Members' meet the UK government standards for British Schools Overseas (BSO) and recommendations for school improvement – through a successful inspection by the Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI).

CIS Accreditation

The school is continuing to work towards the team visit that will take place during February 2013. Staff are currently working on the CIS Part B, Teaching & Learning Accreditation Standards.

Morning Arrangements



As you are all aware, the beginning of the school day is at 09:00hrs. Children can arrive from 08:45hrs. It is important that your child does not come to school before this time as there is nobody to supervise them. If you do arrive early, please remain with your child until school supervision starts.

Please ensure that your child is at school on time as lateness is very disruptive to the class. Also, it would be very helpful if parents who drop off their children could leave the school grounds by 09:00hrs. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Sick Children

There are currently a lot of coughs and colds around school at the moment. Please do not send your child into school if they have a temperature or if they are coughing badly.



When students are sick at school, the nurses may feel the need to send them home. If this is the case, please come to pick up your child immediately.

Please see the Health and Safety section on our website.

Staffing



We have a new member of staff at our Zekeriya köy Campus. Adam Eşiyok is our new SEN teacher and we welcome him to the school.

Birthdays

☺ Happy Birthday to you! ☺



February

Hira Nur (2 nd)	Marco (2 nd)	Patrick (3 rd)
Myung Chul (3 rd)	Marcos (4 th)	Anmol (5 th)
Lara (5 th)	Zhahirul (6 th)	Jemal (7 th)
Baris (11 th)	Kayla (12 th)	Thomas (12 th)
Kaya (13 th)	Nicolas (13 th)	Maryam (14 th)
Taarika (14 th)	Tara (14 th)	Bassem (15 th)
Ryan (17 th)	Alpin (19 th)	Lara (19 th)
Melis (19 th)	Ana (20 th)	Kristina (20 th)
Stefanie (20 th)	Ege (21 st)	Hye June (21 st)
Jung Woo (21 st)	Muhab (23 rd)	Sania (24 th)
Henry (25 th)	Saadet (27 th)	Jessica (28 th)
Maksymilian (28 th)		

Half Term Break



Don't forget that the school will be closed from Wednesday 15th February to Friday 17th February.

School recommences on Monday 20th February. The staff will be in school on Wednesday to continue with the Part B of the CIS Accreditation Process.

Clubs

The following clubs are being offered this term.

Alkent Campus

<i>Mon</i>	- Ballet
<i>Tue</i>	- Drawing
	- Jewellery
	- Maths Games
<i>Wed</i>	- Gymnastics
	- Art
<i>Thu</i>	- Wiggles

Etiler Campus

<i>Mon</i>	- Turkish
	- Puzzle
<i>Tue</i>	- Table Tennis
	- Guitar
	- Chess
<i>Wed</i>	- Card Games
	- Podcasts
	- Inter. Culture
<i>Thu</i>	- Choir
	- Sewing
	- Gymnastics
<i>Fri</i>	- Bosphorus Running



Zekeriya köy Campus

<i>Mon</i>	- Storytime	<i>Wed</i>	- Beads
	- Paper Aeroplane		- Lego
	- Handwriting		- Art
	- Printing		- Playdough
	- Sport		- Games
	- Football		- Waveboarding
	- Board Games		- Dance
<i>Tues</i>	- Hapkido	<i>Thu</i>	- Lace
	- Phonics		- Storytime
	- Touch Rugby		- Philosophy
	- Construction		- Fitness
<i>Wed</i>	- Beads		



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:



February

Wednesday 1 st	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- Etiler
Thursday 2 nd	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- Alkent
Friday 3 rd	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- Zek

March

Thursday 1 st	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- Alkent
Friday 2 nd	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- Zek
Wednesday 7 th	- 09:00hrs - 09:30hrs	- Etiler

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 Etiler

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

At Zekeriya köy

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.



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

You are welcome to contact us anytime.

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Best wishes and a Happy Valentine's Day!

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