

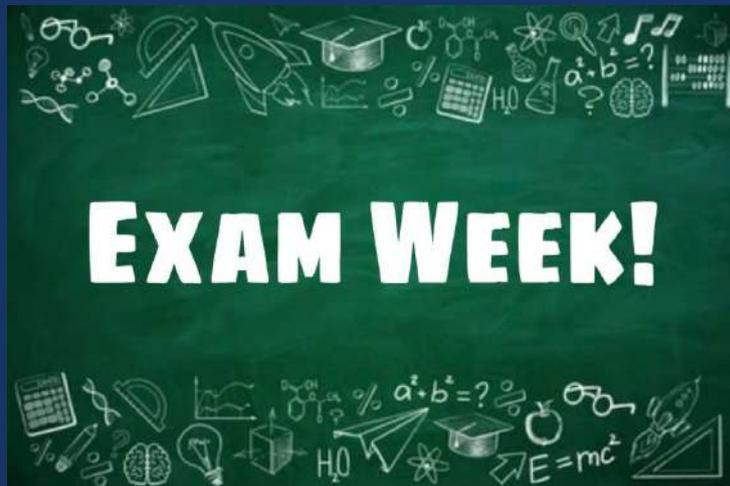


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Dear BBS families,

I hope all your National Day celebrations went well and you all had fun during the long weekend.

End of Term One Assessments



As we head into the final week of Term One I would like to wish all our wonderful students every success in their assessments.

Exam timetables and all details have been shared with all pupils and parents but if you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact our Exams Officer

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Our students never cease to amaze me and during our Commemoration Day ceremony last week we paid tribute to all of the fallen heroes with impressive recitals:





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It is with great enthusiasm that we introduce our year 4 and 5 English teacher Ms Sabrina.

Sabrina is from Ireland and has a wealth of knowledge and qualifications. Sabrina has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Applied Social Studies and Social Care. Sabrina is a qualified Early years Educator from Carlow Institute of Technology which she received first class honors. As well as a Masters Postgraduate certificate in Education international from the University of Nottingham.

Throughout Sabrina's experiences she has worked in a range of different environments, from community early years settings, school for children with additional needs, disadvantaged child care facilities, international schools. Sabrina has worked as a Kg 2 and Grade 2 teacher in the UAE for the last two years.

As a teacher Sabrina has proven to be hard working, proficient and competent. Sabrina brings a strong student-oriented approach, and is determined to perform excellent work. Sabrina excels at fostering a warm, nurturing and fun atmosphere that is conducive to learning, planning for each child's developmental and instructional needs.

Sabrina is passionate about teaching children, and helping her students in establishing healthy socialisation, building confidence and independence.

After school you can find Sabrina curled up with a good book. If she doesn't have a book in her hands, you can be sure she is on the dance floor or in the classroom dancing to her favourite songs.

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Miss Safaa Akkawi holds a bachelor degree in Education. She has worked in various schools in the UAE and held various educational positions. She joined Belvedere British School in September 2017, where currently she holds the responsibility of an Arabic teacher and she is a leader for non-native students.

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Kieran is a hard-working, enthusiastic and highly motivated Science teacher. He is also the Head of Department for Physical Education. He obtained his postgraduate degree in International Education from the University of Nottingham, as well as a Bachelor of Science from Dublin City University. He then went on to complete a Masters of Science from Ulster University. Kieran has been teaching in the UAE since 2015 and has been teaching both Science and Physical Education throughout key stages 3 & 4 over the last 7 years both in Ireland and the UAE. Kieran is currently the Form Tutor for 7C and teaches Science to 7C, 7B, 8B1 and 8B2. He is also a sports enthusiast and plays a variety of sports.

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Mr Greg is a Science Teacher who specialises in Biology, and is also the school's KS4 Lead. He has been teaching in the UAE for nearly 5 years, in Abu Dhabi and Ajman, and another 2 years in London. As well as teaching Science, he also has experience with Mathematics for KS3.

Mr Greg is from Reading, a town outside of London, where he used to be a member of the local Athletics and Diving Clubs. He is married with 4 children.

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Belvedere British School welcomes Ms Amanda Higgins who started working here this academic year.

She is the Head of the Primary Science Department and is also teaching Years 5–7 Science. This is her third year teaching in Abu Dhabi.

Ms Amanda has completed a Honours Bachelor's Degree in Science studying Biology, Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics for four years.

She is also completing a Postgraduate course for international education. Her interests are sport, painting and watching movies.

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Ms. Wejdan Almanasser is the Head of the Arabic Department. She is from the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. She graduated from Zaitoun University in Jordan and holds a BA in Arabic Language and Literature. Ms. Wejdan now is entering her fifth year of employment with Belvedere. She has always been found to be extremely conscientious, professional, and diligent.

In addition to her administrative skills that facilitate smooth school functioning and student academic achievement. Ms. Wejdan has a skill set and an amazing aptitude for staff/student conflict resolution and consensus-building.

As a member of the executive board, she excels at curriculum development, evaluation processes, disciplinary behaviour actions, and analyzing information pertinent to school processes. As a principal Deputy Head of Arabic Dep. Ms. Wejdan exceeds her basic job function responsibilities and excels in specific leadership traits that not all Arabic Heads of Department may possess.

We are so proud of the numerous hats that Ms. Wejdan wears at our school, she often oversees various components of school life that include interacting with students, meeting with parents, communicating with educational authorities, and community organizations to ensure that the school remains in compliance with legal responsibilities. Ms. Wejdan excels in her daily routine balancing all of these current responsibilities.

Having more than 16 years of experience brought her personal touch to her every role in the school. We are aware that she serves as liaisons between numerous groups of people and stakeholders. Ms. Wejdan excels in her interpersonal skills. Her ability to work constructively with the teachers, auxiliary staff, school governors, parents, and logistics with external representatives, represent our school positively through media, and build relationships with other schools.

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Quran Competition

We are delighted to announce our annual Quran Competition will be held in February. Please see the attached for further details and contact Ms Wejdan should you have any query on hod.arabic@belvederebritishschool.com



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Arabic Benchmark Test (A.B.T)

We are extremely proud of our Arabic department and thrilled to announce that our superstar Primary students won the cup – bravo to all and many many thanks to our fabulous Arabic teachers!



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للتميّز عنوان وللإبداع أناس يحصدونه

بخالص الود والمحبة نهنيء من أعماق قلوبنا ونبارك لكم ولنا حصول مدرسة بلفدير البريطانية

اذ تم اختيار 92 طالبًا. (ABT) على درع المركز الأول في اختبار اللغة العربية المعياري وطالبة من مدرستنا لأداء الاختبار المعياري وبفضل الله اجتازوا جميعًا هذا الاختبار بدرجات

مرتفعة ومتميزة وكانت بمثابة فخر واعتزاز لنا ولذويهم. فهنئيًا لكم أبناءى وبناتى الطلبة على هذا

الانجاز والتميز.

فثمرة النجاح تأتي من حصاد ما زرعه الطالب من الجد والاجتهاد وفقكم الله ورعاكم

Excellence has a title while creativity has people to reap

It is with pride and great honor that we would like to appreciate our students on successful passing and achieving the first rank in the Arabic benchmark Test (ABT) and wish them more progress and success.

The selected ninety-two students passed this test with high grades. Congratulations to all students and parents on this great achievement.

Success is the output of hard and enthusiastic work

Head of Arabic department
Ms Wejdan Al Manaseer





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Wishing everyone a very jolly festive holiday. Season's greetings to all. I hope you enjoy a truly spectacular winter break.



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