



**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF THE PRINCIPAL**  
**9 SEPTEMBER 2022, EDITION - 2202**

Hello parents,

It is wonderful to see all our new and returning students settling back into school life this academic year.

We hope that after the Key Stage assemblies all families were invited to and the booklets you have all received you have all the information you need to set your children up for a good start.

If you need anything further or have any queries, as always, we encourage you to get in touch with us - please do not hesitate to contact you your child's Form Tutor in the first instance and Key Stage Leader:

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We are delighted to advise we had very few leaving staff last year but do have a few new faces around school since our enrolment has grown. We have added new staff members to our team to accommodate the new classes we have opened. Over the next few newsletters I will hand over to them to introduce themselves to you:

Hello, my name is Eman and I'm the new psychology and SEN teacher at BBS. I am Lebanese but I was born and raised in Abu Dhabi and have lived my whole life in the UAE. I graduated with a degree in PLEAF Psychology with counseling and worked in Dubai at a learning center for children with special educational needs.



**Psychology Teacher**  
**Ms. Eman**

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Hello, my name is Oisin. I'm from Dublin, Ireland. I studied at Dublin City University. I have been teaching in Abu Dhabi for 4 years now. I am very much looking forward to teaching in Belvedere British School this year.

I will be teaching primary science to 4C, 4D, 5A, 5B and 5C. In my spare time I try to be as active and healthy as I can by playing football, padel and golf with my friends. I also like to travel as much as I can during the summer and breaks in term.



**Primary Science Teacher**  
**Mr. Oisin**

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My name is Cathal O'Neill and I am an English teacher. I was born in Ireland and lived there for most of my life. I gained an interest in teaching from a young age and had no doubt that it was the job for me. When I graduated from university, I moved to the U.A.E to begin my teaching career.

I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching here for the past 4 years and I am equally excited for this year and many more to come. In my opinion, teaching is the best profession. To inspire and motivate students to reach their potential is a joy for me. Their ability to help me grow and learn as well never ceases to amaze me.



**English Teacher**  
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Next week to inform and advise all parents about their child's Arabic provision Ms. Wejdan would like to hold three Parents in Partnership sessions.

Please do try to join us here in school for the relevant session for your child, as she will explain the system for Arabic and the curriculum this year and will be happy to answer any questions you may have with regard to both Language A (First Language/ Native Arabic) and Language B( Second/ Foreign Language/ Non – Native Arabic)

**PARENT  
IN  
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**WEDNESDAY**

**Arabic Orientation @ Wed Sep 14, 2022 8am – 9am**  
**FS2 – Year 10 – Language A Parents (First Language / Native)**

**Arabic Orientation @ Wed 14 Sept 2022 11am – 12pm**  
**Year 11 – Year 13 – language A Parents – First Language / Native**

**THURSDAY**

**Non-Arabic Orientation @ Thu 15 Sept 2022 8am – 9am**  
**FS2 – Year 10 – Language B Parents – Second Language / Non Native**

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# MYSTERY READER



## Mystery Reader



### ANNOUNCEMENT



In class this year you have the opportunity to come and visit your child's class to participate as a Mystery Reader! I would encourage parents to participate in this activity.

Students love when their parents or family members are Mystery readers and all students benefit from an adult sharing their love of reading, it's a wonderful way to increase their enjoyment of literature.

**As this is a mystery, all information must be kept TOP SECRET from your child including the date you are coming and the picture book/ book you will be reading.**

A week before you arrive you will be asked to send five clues to the class/ form teacher. Don't make them too obvious as they will be read out in class prior to your arrival to build suspense in the classroom and have the students guess who the mystery reader may be.

If you would like to be a Mystery reader please send an email to your child's English teacher.

**Remember its a TOP SECRET!**

A green Al Hosn and sign in at reception will be required upon arrival.



Our Primary English department led by Ms Clair are starting a fab new initiative – we look forward to welcoming many parents into school in the coming weeks – we are sure the children will be thrilled to see you...



# BELVEDERE BRITISH SCHOOL



## Vision, Mission and Values

Belvedere British School to provide an excellent teaching and learning environment where students achieve more due to the high standards expected from our educational philosophy. Ultimately we aim to prepare students for life, based on our values of Tolerance, Respect, and Responsibility.

We provide a holistic education and inspire lifelong learning. Our students are motivated to apply themselves so they achieve their full potential in all aspects of school life. We encourage high and realistic expectations, so our students have aspirations that take them beyond school to their own futures, in the UAE and internationally.

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**#preparationforlife**



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