## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



### 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.

#advitamparamus *#preparationforlife* 



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Hello parents

Let's make a big impact with small actions!

Our Sustainability Club is excited to introduce that as of today our Sustainability Boxes will be placed around the school as discussed in our assemblies last week.

These boxes are here to help us make a positive change in our environment.

Please remember to place your plastic waste in these boxes instead of regular trash bins. Together, we can reduce plastic waste and protect our planet for future generations. Every small effort counts, so let's take action and keep our school green and clean!

Thank you for being a part of the change.

With eco-friendly wishes,

Your Sustainability Club





# I am delighted to introduce another amazing new team member with a self presentation:



Ms. Ciara Maloney

Hello, my name is Ms. Ciara Maloney. I come from a small town in the middle of Ireland, and this will be my fourth-year teaching in Abu Dhabi. This year I will be teaching year 2 and I am already enjoying teaching all the amazing boys and girls in my year 2 class. I graduated in 2017 with a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education and Care. I also completed my Postgraduate Degree in Education, two years ago, while I was working out here. In Ireland, I worked as a kindergarten teacher for two years before moving to the UAE.

I am passionate about working with children and supporting their educational, personal, and emotional development. I am looking forward to an exciting year together filled with lots of new learning experiences.

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Exciting News! Introducing our School's Podcast Club!

Where to Listen: Find us on Buzzsprout, your go-to platform for stimulating content and thought-provoking discussions.



This calls for a celebration. BBS Weekly F.M has published its **1st episode**.

Release Schedule: Get ready for fresh episodes dropping every other Friday, allowing you to start your weekends with insightful conversations and new perspectives.



# WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

The Embracing Mental Wellness I To Our School Unites for World Mental Health Day I Key Stages 4 and 5 came together for an inspiring assembly featuring guest speaker Dr. Nida Khan, a distinguished Psychology Lecturer and Counseling Psychologist. With 14 years of international and local experience, a Ph.D. in Psychology, specialized qualifications in Special Education, and certifications in Cognitive Behavior Therapy Dr. Khan is recognized by esteemed organizations like the American Psychological Association, which made her an inspiring voice for mental health. Thank you for wearing green and standing in solidarity for mental health Let's continue these vital conversations and spread kindness every day. #MentalHealthMatters #SchoolUnity #WearingGreenForHope

Here at BBS we take mental health and well being extremely seriously and recognise the need for the whole of our community to be forever mindful and look after themselves and each other. We understand that we all need to take care of our social and emotional needs

Both of the following poems formed part of the Mental health competition at Fatima college of Health Sciences and were beautifully written by two of our amazing students:.

### A treasure so bright

Self-love, a treasure so bright, A diamond that shines with all its might. It's the essence of who we are, The source of our love, our heart's main star.

To keep yourself above everyone else, To adore and cherish your own success, Like you ought to do for none but yourselves.

Is the key to a happy world and a life of bless. It's embracing our flaws and imperfections, And loving ourselves without restrictions.

It's knowing that we're worthy and enough, Even when the world can be tough.

It's forgiving our mistakes and missteps, And giving ourselves the love we deserve. It's the courage to face our fears, And wiping away the tears.

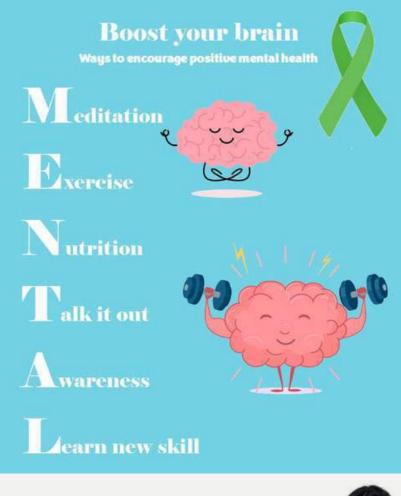
Self-love is a journey that never ends, An eternal flame that Forever bends. It's the key to unlocking our true potential, And living a life that's simply exceptional.

"Like some broken pieces of ancient times, You will not hold a place amongst the contemporary world, Without loving yourself."

> So, Love yourself through the darkest, To hardest and To the fullest, And let your smile change the world, But don't let the world change your smile.

Those who are born to love themselves, Cannot surpass those who try to love themselves, And those to try to love themselves, Cannot surpass those who have fun loving themselves.

So let's cherish and nurture our inner being, And love ourselves with all that we're seeing. In the end, we are our own best friend, And loving ourselves to the very end.





### Poster is designed by Habiba Amein 11A

#### Poem is written by Hania Nadeem 12A

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# Year 12 and 13 students leading discussions with KS4/5 students about future careers and the market demand.





As a whole school community we really care about our environment. Our fabulous teachers and students work very hard together to create a better, more sustainable world. Please do support and get involved:









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This Friday 13th October we encourage everyone to wear something pink to raise awareness for breast cancer. All cash donations and offerings of pink bakery goods will be gratefully accepted..



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My student in 4B, Marie Antonette B. Cayena would like to share her achievement outside the school. Last October 8, she participated in the "Pink Out Breast Cancer Awareness" sponsored by SEHA, Melodica and Dalma Mall.



-Mr. Jes Justiniani



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Key stage 2 student council members were proudly presented to their key stage on Wednesday during their assembly. We will hear from these students over the coming weeks. The students that are representing their class will voice opinions and ideas of their peers during council meetings. The student council members will collaborate with the senior leadership team to address any student issues and work towards the positive environment of the school.



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A book sale event is being held by Operation Smile at Wahda Mall from October 26th to 28th. Schools have kindly been asked to donate books to support patients with cleft conditions undergoing surgeries. Participating in this event would be a wonderful chance for our school to get involved in a meaningful activity. After collecting the books, our school would have to deliver them to the Operation Smile office located at Murror Road, opposite Khalifa University Abu Dhabi. Operation Smile has set a deadline for the 13th of October on Friday. Please refer to the attached poster for additional details.



-Aisha Tijani 13A



## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY



MARSCODE Training & Online Education Institute in coordination with Belvedere British School is starting the after-school club in Karate/Musical Instruments/Ballet/Gymnastics/Yoga this October after a half-term break.

The said activities will be held inside our school premises from 02:50 to 3:40 p.m. after dismissal.

Kindly tick your selection of interest for your child and sign a form at school reception to register.

Registration payment is payable by CASH ONLY.

Thank You<sup>I</sup>

Registration Link Below 👇





On Friday from 9 - 10 am we also have visitors here in school coming to talk about our proposed visit to Singapore.

All parents from Yr 8 - 13 are cordially invited to join us.



## PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP





DATE 13 October 2023



**TIME** 9:00 - 10:00 AM



LOCATION BBS Multi-Purpose Hall

AGENDA • VISIT TO SINGAPORE





## **Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences**

Please be reminded of the meeting on Friday 27th October between 8 to 11 am.

All staff and students will be off timetable (no classes) and there will be no school buses to enable parents to bring their children into school themselves whenever it suits them between 8-11am.

We would like to encourage all parents to attend with their children if possible but we understand this may be problematic for some families - so we would also like to offer the opportunity for online or face to face meetings the following week at their convenience if parents contact the relevant teacher directly to schedule.

NB:

Fees Reminder - Your meeting with the teachers may be put on-hold until you settle the outstanding amount for this term.

As soon as your payment is confirmed, please notify the reception immediately to assist you further in your meeting with the respective teachers.