

Newsletter

Wednesday

22nd March, 2023

From the Principal

In 2016 the UK Government created a comprehensive set of standards to regulate schools calling themselves 'British'. These schools are known as British Schools Overseas (BSO) and accreditation as a BSO school is a guarantee of values, curriculum and standards.

In 2018, the British Overseas School became the first school in Pakistan to gain BSO accreditation. This placed the BOS among an elite group of around only 200 BSO schools around the world.

Now, following an intense inspection process, our accreditation has been renewed. Hence the BOS remains the only British school in Pakistan to be officially accredited by the UK Government.

As well as reaccrediting the school, the inspection also passes judgement on key standards concerning the service that we provide to our families. Now those judgements are in, and they are a credit to the BOS community:

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| • Quality of education provided | Excellent |
| • Quality of spiritual, moral, social and cultural development | Outstanding |
| • Standards achieved | Excellent |
| • Welfare, health & safety | Excellent |
| • Leadership | Excellent |
| • Accommodation | Good |

Diary Dates

23rd March: Pakistan Day

Half Term Break.

10th April:

School Resumes

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DRAMA PRODUCTION — THE LION KING

Key Stage 2

Hakuna Matata

At BOS we focus on the overall development of our students and drama productions are an essential part of our curriculum. We have witnessed the children evolve as more aware, adaptable, resilient and confident people who have developed immensely in all aspects through our drama productions.

We are extremely happy to bring our popular drama productions back. Last week the Primary school production of "The Lion King" was performed on the BOS stage. It was an extravaganza of acting, singing and dancing from our talented Key Stage Two children. The cast and crew worked tirelessly to put up a show that was spectacular in every way and left the crowd mesmerised. Days and weeks of practice, planning and execution led to the success of this wonderful project we undertook. The Primary school staff has worked tirelessly around the clock to create all the elements required to support and develop our students in every possible way.



Congratulations to all the Key Stage Two students and teachers.
What a resounding success!

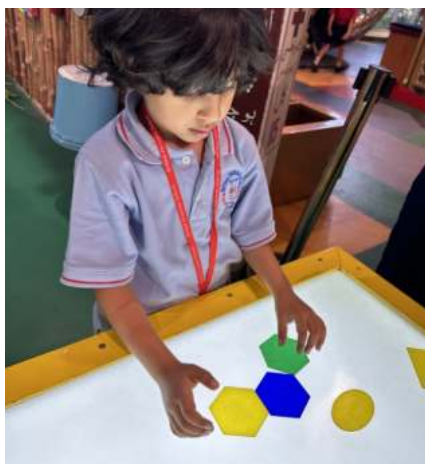


TDF Magnifi Science Museum

EYFS News

This month the children from all three classes of the early years, Pre-Nursery, Nursery and Reception went on a field trip to the TDF Magnifi science Museum. Trips give teachers and children the chance to get out of the formal classroom and cultivate a shared experience. The children receive the opportunity to see knowledge at work in an outside environment that's been created to inspire, entertain, and encourage learning.

The children enjoyed many different activities including role playing as construction workers with big blocks, wheel barrows and helmets as well as pretending to be doctors in an ambulance. They also spent time in the small world supermarket area, where they independently did their grocery shopping, weighed their fruit and vegetables using the old traditional weighing scales and wondered around with their trolleys and baskets.



Primary School News

Our little people had the opportunity to explore with the fishing equipment in the water play area, in which the play fish were attached to magnets. They also experimented with many different materials and apparatuses related to the human body and electricity. Our little wonderers were enchanted by the mirror maze, the shadow light rooms and the music rooms. They also got a chance to play in the outdoor area where they had fun with the climbing frames. The trip was not only enjoyed by all but a great learning experience for all the children as well as the teachers.



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Year 1 News:

During Numeracy lessons, Year 1 has been learning to measure time, sequencing events in chronological order using language, for example, before and after, next, first, today, yesterday, tomorrow, morning, afternoon and evening. Learning the days of the week, the months and the seasons is part of this learning.



After reading the Project X book *The Play Park*, in which Max and Tiger made a micro-play park, using stationary objects, the children were inspired to design their own play parks using materials found in our classroom.



Year 2 Activities:

Students in Year 2 have been very involved in learning about different forms of communication. Beginning with cave drawings to modern technology, students have been fascinated with the variety of ways people have learned to communicate over time. They drew self-portraits showing an expression, and made paper cup phones to see how sound travels through a wire.





Earlier this term, the Year 3's had a fantastic opportunity to visit the Switzella chocolate factory. This presented the students with a unique opportunity to experience what we have been learning about in our Chocolate Unit for IPC! The chocolate factory proved to be very educational and entertaining as the tour included a live demonstration of how chocolate is made and packaged. Our guide gave us amazing insight to the wonderful world of chocolate – they explained where their cocoa beans are sourced from, they showed us the process of bean to bar and showered us with lots of yummy chocolate giveaways! They thoroughly enjoyed their field trip and definitely returned back to school with a deeper understanding of Chocolate and happy dreams of all the delicious chocolates they tasted on the day!



Year 5 Updates

Year 5 students have been conducting experiments for their Science topic Separating Mixtures and Solutions. They have worked in groups collaborating and planning the steps for their experiments and deciding the equipment they will need. This independence as led to greater ownership and of their learning.



Computing in Year 5

The children in year five have been doing some impressive work with the Scratch program in their Computing lessons. They have been making their own games and creating programs to run those games.

It is wonderful to see them, develop their computational thinking skills.



Modern Foreign Languages

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Reception:

The youngest group of French speakers at the BOS enjoyed making tartines with the French Baguette and Nutella. They enjoyed the cultural aspect of French Gastronomy by doing this activity.

Reception learnt the numbers in French from 1 to 5 by making their Easter baskets with 5 eggs. Through this activity, they put to practice their vocabulary of numbers.



All about Sports

Pre-Nursery and Nursery Sports Day

The Annual Sports Day for Pre-Nursery and Nursery was held on the morning of the 1st of February 2023. The event commenced with a welcome address by Ms Luanne, the Key Stage Manager for Early Years, followed by a march past led by the student council of Key Stage 1. A vibrant song performance by each class followed before the races for the day began.



Unlike all other sports days at the BOS, the Pre-Nursery and Nursery one follows a non-competitive format to provide a sense of athletics and racing within the students, celebrate their physical development and instil a sense of achievement (upon completing a race). Like all other sports days, however, we ensure to incorporate a mix of races which test the various abilities of the students. Amongst others, these included galloping skills for Pre-Nursery during the horse race, whereas, Nursery displayed their ability to jump over obstacles during the hurdle race. It was great to have all the other primary students attend the event and cheer each of the participants on as they lined up for their races.

Once all the races were complete, each student was called upon the podium to be awarded their medal for participation by the Principle Mr Williams.

It was heartwarming to see the very youngest in the school take part in the event with such sportsmanship and energy. As always a special shout-out to all the parents and guardians who showed up.



All about Sports

KS2 Football Night

After a 3 year hiatus, we were extremely excited to have the Key Stage 2 Football Night. Held on the 3rd of March, the inter-house competition brought together Years 3, 4 and 5 on the football field. To maximize playing time for all players and to integrate some class-room learning, each house had two teams which were further named after the Urdu and French words for the colours. Despite it being a rather hot afternoon, the students were oozing with energy and excitement. The day began with each team walking out of their dugout to the FIFA World Cup song and lining up in front of the spectators to greet them. As the teams returned to the enclosure, the referees got ready for the first match which was between Vikings Rouge and Iroquois Vert.

The evening was full of action and emotions as the students played with their hearts on their sleeves and we got to witness some amazing skills. Nail-biting saves were made and jaw-dropping goals were scored. The KS2 students even provided us with some live commentary!

The action-packed evening ended with a prize distribution which was led by Ms Hamdani, the Head of Primary.

Following were the winners:

1st Place: Mughals Jaune

2nd Place: Iroquois Hurra

3rd Place: Mughals Peela

Top Scorer: Khizer Nadir (Y5)

Best Player: Shayaan Hashmi (Y4)

