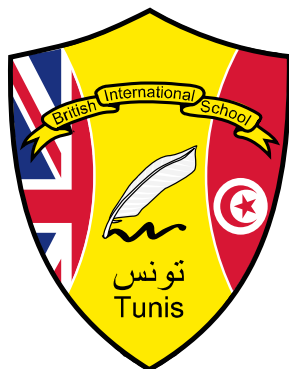


British International School of Tunis



News from the school October 2014

From the Headmaster

Welcome to our first edition of the new-look monthly Newsletter which we hope you will find easier to keep and more informative in content.

On the back you will find information about the new members of staff who have joined the school; I hope you will find this useful. Please find attached a letter introducing our School Doctor. He will be checking the general health of the children and will inform parents of any meetings.

Thank you to all the parents who contributed to the Eid Barbecue on the 3rd October, and in particular to the Committee of the PTA that worked so hard to organise this first event. In spite of the weather this was a great success!

May I wish you all a very enjoyable half term break.

From the Governors

The School Governors met on 7th October for the first time this year and congratulated the Staff on their excellent achievement of being given Full Member status of COBIS—the Council of British International Schools. You can find out more about this organisation at www.cobis.org.uk

Two new members of the Board were introduced: **Ramzi El Fekih** (Parent Governor) and **Denise Waddingham** (British Council).

A summary of the Board's Meeting Minutes can be obtained on request to the Headmaster.



On Friday 17th October **Reception** class performed in the morning assembly to the whole school. They began by singing 'Way Up High In An Apple Tree'. Then Ms. Michelle read a story called 'Handa's Surprise'. The children acted out the story; some of the children pretended to be animals and they wore animal masks and took the fruit from Handa's basket! They also talked about their favourite fruit and added a funny banana song at the end!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 24th October Hijri Islamic Holiday

Friday 12th December End of term show

Friday 19th December End of Term 12:30 pm



STARS OF THE WEEK

17th October

Moussab MANSOUR

Moad MANSOUR

Khaled ALKHAYAREEN

Maisam BEN REKAYA

Tatiana ROCHESTER

Joseph BESSETTE

Jana CJ SALHAB

New Staff 2014—15

Kirstie Davies

BA (Hons) Religious Education
With QTS



Chichester Institute of Higher Education, Sussex.
1994-1998

Kirstie has taken on the role of **Year 3 and 4** teacher (combined) for September 2014. For the last 4 years she has been working in an international school in Thailand, initially as a Reception teacher, and then more recently in Year 3. Previous to this she taught in schools in the UK and Portugal across a range of Primary ages and subjects. She has been a Coordinator of a few subjects and has led craft and sports clubs and teams.

Gareth Smith

1999 – 2003 Lancaster University
BSc Hons in Sports Studies and Information Systems
2010 - 2012 University of Cumbria
PGCE with QTS



Gareth is taking on the new role of **Year 6** teacher for September 2014. He has had experience of teaching in several schools in the UK, where he has taught a range of ages across the primary phases. Before coming into teaching, Gareth worked in a number of organisations specialising in Sports and Leisure. He is a qualified coach in football, hockey, tennis, cricket, volleyball and basketball.

Michelle Cravid-Goode

B A (Hons) Primary Education
with History + QTS



Manchester Metropolitan University
2001-2004

MA Education Edge Hill University

Michelle is teaching the **Reception** class, and also take on the responsibility of **Head of Early Years**. Michelle was previously Deputy Principal at the International School of Bucharest from August 2010 - June 2013. She has worked in partnership with members of the Senior Management Team to develop a rich and creative curriculum which meets the learning needs of all children.

Helen Evans

2007 – 2010 BSc (Hons) Applied
Psychology
Liverpool John Moores University
University of Cambridge, Master of
Education
2010 - 2011 University of Cambridge
General Primary PGCE with QTS



Helen is teaching in **Year 1** class. She has been teaching Year 2 classes in the London area at Chigwell School and Forest School, and she has contributed to running extra-curricular clubs, such as ICT and activity afternoons, including 'Food from around the World', 'Young Scientists', 'Model-Making' and 'Forest Forays'.

Sabrine Chamakhi

Year 3/4 Teaching Assistant

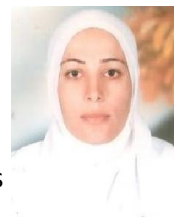
Sabrine is familiar with BIST as she worked for the British Council organising the weekend classes.



Boutheina Boudiya

Ancillary Staff

As the school gets bigger so Boutheina has joined our cleaning staff.



Norah Zouaili

SEN Teaching Assistant

Norah has joined the SEN team and also helps as TA. She is being kept very busy!



Wided Bennaceur

Administrative Assistant

Wided has joined the team after a distinguished career teaching English at the International School of Carthage.



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