



NEWSLETTER SEPT—DEC 2019

OUR MISSION

“ Striving for excellence today; preparing students to succeed in a challenging world tomorrow.”

OUR VISION

“At BCCIS we encourage the pursuit of excellence in all endeavors and the acceptance of responsibility for the enrichment of

Principal's Message

We would like to thank all those students, teachers and parents that have dedicated some of their extra time and effort toward our new school committees this year.

We are delighted at the turnout for our new student government, grad committee, teacher team leader program and of course our Parent Advisory Committee.

In addition, our recent annual school inspection was one of the top reports in this school's **history**. A special

thanks to our Superintendent of Schools, Mr Bob, and our owner, Mr Karim, for being so supportive during this process. The Inspection Team noted that our school is truly beginning to look like a BC school.



One of the major changes for next year will be the addition of a BC certified and experienced school librarian.

Your BCCIS family wishes you and your loved ones a very happy and safe Winter Vacation (Dec 20-Jan 11). Regular classes will resume on Sunday, January 12th.

Arabic exams will take place for all grade 8-11 students in mid-January.

Semester 1 Final Exams will take place from Jan 27-30. There are no classes offered during this time. Semester 2 begins on Sunday, February 2nd.

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BCCIS— A SCHOOL THAT CARES

In early September the students of BCCIS were involved in collecting 200 bags of school supply donations for a public school in El Sherouk. The students under the guidance of Ms.Nesrine delivered those items to the

school. It was truly a humbling and rewarding experience for all.





*In a world
where you
can be
anything,
be kind.*

- Jennifer Dukes Lee



**Amazing things
happen when we care**

BCCIS UN CONFERENCE

With honor and thrilled we are happy to share that 6 students BCCIS juniors represented the school at the first international student led conference in the UK Nov 3-9 to work on the conference theme (Sustainable Development Goals United Nations 2030: Health & Well-Being- quality education) BCCIS students were the only students who participated from Egypt with students from 15 schools from Europe, Asia & MENA

This was a tremendous opportunity for our young people to develop valuable global citizenship skills and to take

part in a unique event that is dedicated to the global theme of health and well-being of young people.



*Students names:
fareda Alrakaiby- Alia Almiskawi-Jana Badr— Mariam Bindary- Ali Ouf- Marwan Aldemiry.*

The student conference involved :

- ◆ Workshops in dance, music, yoga and filming.
- ◆ DodgeBall Skills.
- ◆ Therapeutic art.
- ◆ Students presentation on each country's cultural box
- ◆ Visits to Hartlebury Castle & Museum.
- ◆ Tour of Bewdley Museum, lesson in Victorian classroom and education activity.
- ◆ United Nations Film - training in UN SDGs Health & Well-being and Quality Education.
- ◆ Meeting with the country Mayor and countries Ambassadors with an interview with BBC news.

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND



- ◆ Dec 18 - ELE Christmas Concert/Whole School Family Picnic (no classes in the afternoon)
- ◆ Dec 19 - KG2 Parent-Teacher Conference
- ◆ Dec 20 - Jan 11 - Winter Break
- ◆ Jan 12 - school resumes
- ◆ Jan 13 - PAC meeting
- ◆ Jan 21-23 - Grades 3-7 Arabic exams
- ◆ Jan 26 - Revolution Day observed (no school)
- ◆ Jan 27-30 - Secondary Final Exams
- ◆ Feb 2 - begin HS term 3/sem 2

What is Odyssey of the Mind?

Odyssey of the Mind is an international creative problem-solving program that engages students in their learning by allowing their knowledge and ideas to come to life in an exciting, productive environment. Participants build self-confidence, develop life skills, create new friendships, and are able to recognize and explore their true potential. OOFM proves that students can have fun while they learn. Check out the website: <https://www.odysseyofthemind.com/>

BCCIS is now registered with this organization and we currently have 4 secondary teams and are in the process of getting elementary teams up and running. Mr. Blair, Ms. Sarah and. Ms. Jenn is coordinating the Elementary side. If

you have any questions, please contact me Mr. Mo as I am overseeing the whole process. The students hope to compete at an international level in May.



BCCIS SPORTS Sept-Dec 2019



I am emailing you this evening in order to tell all the high school staff about the recent success that both the U18 girls and U18 boys soccer teams accomplished.

Today, both teams participated in their respective finals day. I am proud to say that both of our U18 girls and U18 boys teams finished in second place. This is a major accomplishment for our teams, especially

the boys. In my 5 years here at BCCIS, only once have we had a successful season, so today is a very historic day in regards to how well our teams have played.

If you have any of these players in your classes tomorrow, please congratulate them for their hard work and success. I am exceptionally proud of these young women and men today.



GO BCCIS ORCAS!



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FACTS ABOUT TERRY FOX:

February 1979 –

Terry begins training for his Marathon of Hope, a cross-Canada run to raise money for cancer research and awareness. During his training he runs over 5,000 kilometres (3,107 miles).

September 1, 1980 –

After 143 days and 5,373 kilometres (3,339 miles) Terry stopped running outside of Thunder Bay, Ontario; his primary cancer had spread to his lungs. Before returning to BC for treatment Terry said, "I'm gonna do my very best. I'll fight. I promise I won't give up."

May, 2014—

The foundation announces that over 650 million has been raised to support cancer research in Terry's name. There are 14 schools and 15 roads in Canada named after Terry. Every year, millions of people in close to 25 countries participate in the National School Run Day and other fundraising events.

On November 19, our elementary and secondary students took part in our annual Terry Fox Run Event. We were extremely pleased with our student's participation in both age groups as they were running for a great cause, to battle cancer. So much fun was had and BCCIS

was able to raise over 10,000 EGP for the Cairo Cancer Hospital! Mrs. Sherri's grade 2 class and Mr. Morgan's grade 6 class ran the most laps in their respective runs. Well done BCCIS!





Kindly be reminded of the school uniform rules:

- ◆ Students must be in full BCCIS uniform including shorts, pants, t-shirts, jackets, etc....
- ◆ Only the **NEW LOGO** uniform items, **OLD LOGO** uniform is not allowed.
- ◆ Pre-school up to Grade 7 should use the red and navy uniform.
- ◆ Grade 8 to Grade 12 should use the white uniform.
- ◆ Sneakers (of any color) is the only footwear allowed, any other type is considered out of uniform.
- ◆ Students coming out of uniform will not be allowed to attend the class and will stay with a designated person until parents send them the proper uniform.
- ◆ Please note that the roles above are effective from the first day of school. We will be enforcing these after the break more as some students have not been following the policy very well.

CAPSTONE ORPHANAGE EVENT AT BCCIS

On Saturday, December 7th, three of us, Grade 12 Students organized a fun event day full of games and activities for disabled orphans. We were able to organize transportation to two different orphanages and bring them to school and back. The kids had so much fun playing games

in the stations, face painting, eating, and even receiving presents at the end. We chose disabled orphans specifically, because they do not get much attention as others, though they showed us that they can show their smiles from any small gesture.



The students and staff at BCCIS under the guidance of Ms. Nesrine were able to collect a bus load of supplies for a local orphanage. These were much need supplies, from non-perishable food to clothing for the orphans. Along with the supplies a nominal donation was raised through a student teacher soccer game and by donations. Thank you students, parents, and staff of BCCIS.

