

**GEMS**British International School
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PRIMARY CHRISTMAS FAIR

in the doorway of the new year, our children would like to remind you to be the best version of yourself, inspire others, seek new challenges, and make a positive change. BISM primary has really finished this long term on an absolute high with their annual 'Make a Difference' Christmas Fair. The whole of primary came together with the sole purpose of raising as much money for the children and families of Gaza... the event being 'by children, for children'. And raise money they did.... Over 60,000LE, so well done Primary!

Hundreds of cakes and biscuits were made, baked, donated to our bake sale, toys were donated and sold on, as well as classes organizing their own fundraising activities. Children enjoyed guess the sweets in the jar, name the teddy, hoopla, arts, crafts and many other types of games, as well as sports activities, face painting, a book corner and, of course, Santa! It was so delightful to hear all the year groups perform their festive song, as well as enjoying the performance by the primary school band and our dance groups.

Thank you to all of the primary family for making this such an amazing fundraising event - our children at BISM have really 'Made a Difference' to other children and families today.





Unifrog (Career Guidance) Workshop for Parents

At BISM, we do our best to work together with parents as a family to achieve both academic, emotional and social excellence, with our students at the heart of all we do. Unifrog (Career Guidance) Workshop for Parents

On 11th of December, Y9 and Y10 parents were invited by the school's Exams Officer Mrs Mai Elshabrawy to a workshop as an introduction to the Unifrog Platform. Unifrog is a smart career guidance platform that offers tools to help the counsellors and parents guide students to understand themselves and be able to choose their options supporting their choice of universities and then their future careers. In this introductory session, parents were able to reflect on the importance of their children building this career profile as early as Y9 and Y10 to be able to make insightful decisions. The parents were also briefed on how to search by themselves about the university details, location, fees, requirements, and other facts in the UK, USA, Egypt and around the world with one press of a button on Unifrog. Parents were engaged in a discussion about the importance of university rankings and the community pressure and how this influences their children. At the end of the workshop, the parents took the interests test themselves and they were very excited with the results, its explanation and how it reflects on their personality.



Primary Spelling bee and Math Challenge

Over the last two weeks, Years 2 - 5 have been participating in the final rounds of Term 1 Spelling Bee and Maths Challenge. Both competitions involved 2 rounds - a written one followed by an oral one. Although not all children were able to get through to Round 2 all are winners - as all have learnt some new spellings and some new mathematical calculations. This is just the first of these competitions this year and we hope to have many more students passing to the final rounds next term.

The final rounds were very tense in both competitions and it was hard to separate the children but finally there have to be a first, second and third place.

Spelling Bee

Year 2: 1st Asser and Jasmine

3rd - Daniel

Year 3: 1st - Chris/ 2nd - Heaven/ Joint 3rd - Ali and Yassin

Year 4: 1st - Mazen/ 2nd - Saif/ 3rd - Ahmed Mahmoud

Year 5: 1st - Lalee/ 2nd - Halla/ 3rd - Ahmed Sameh

Maths Challenge First Place:

Year2 - Nadine 2A

Year 3 - Miracle 3A

Year 4 - Yahia 4D

Year 5 - Odai 5D

