

THE BLYTH BULLETIN

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Principal's Message:

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Firstly, I am pleased to announce that we have renamed our two campus buildings to better reflect the unique identities of each space.

Block A will now be known as Jasper House, and Block B will be known as Banff House. These names symbolize the strong foundation and vibrant community spirit that define our school.

As part of our ongoing commitment to innovation in education, we are prioritizing new teaching and learning techniques that aim to enrich the classroom experience. We are also delighted to introduce our Teacher of the Month initiative, which recognizes outstanding contributions to our students' learning. **Please join me in congratulating Mr. Kolton Green from Jasper House and Ms. Fiza Sher Ali from Banff House for their exceptional dedication and impact.**

Student behaviour and uniform standards remain key priorities for us. A consistent and respectful environment is crucial for academic success and personal growth. We kindly encourage all parents to familiarize themselves with our policies and work together with us to ensure they are upheld. Your support in this regard is greatly appreciated.

Thank you once again for your continued partnership as we strive to make our school a place of excellence, growth, and opportunity.

Mr Derek Begley



Teachers of the month - January 2025



Mr Kolton Green



Ms Fiza Sher Ali



TEACHER TALK

AT BLYTH



MS MEGAN PIKE

1. WHAT LEAD YOU INTO BECOMING A TEACHER

"My grade 1 teacher inspired me to become a teacher, and be the best teacher I can be"

2. IF YOU WEREN'T A TEACHER, WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'D BE INSTEAD?

"I think I would enjoy working as a customs agent at the airport"

3. WHAT'S THE MOST MEMORABLE OR FUNNY THING A STUDENT HAS EVER SAID OR DONE IN YOUR CLASS?

"Student's dropping eggs in a contraption out of my classroom window"

4. WHAT'S SOMETHING SURPRISING ABOUT YOU THAT MOST STUDENTS OR COLLEAGUES DON'T KNOW ?

"I can play the piano and saxophone. I can sing and played many sports like volley ball, hockey, ice hockey and squash."

5. WHAT'S THE NUMBER 1 LESSON YOU'VE LEARNT AS A TEACHER?

"The number one lesson I've learnt is that learning never ends, that as an educator I will never stop learning"

6. WHAT DO YOU LIKE THE MOST ABOUT WORKING AT BLYTH?

"My favourite thing about Blyth is my grade 4A students"

7. WHO DO YOU NOMINATE TO BE INTERVIEWED NEXT ?

"I nominate Mr Bruce Henderson"

• ELEMENTARY

EDITION

GRADE 1 MINDFULNESS BRACELETS

Grade 1 students recently participated in an activity to create mindfulness bracelets, connecting their learning to the Qatari value of self-control. This hands-on project aimed to help students understand and practice techniques to manage their emotions and develop self-awareness.

The students selected colorful beads and strung them onto bracelets, making each one unique and personal. Teachers guided discussions about mindfulness, breathing techniques, and how the bracelets could help in difficult moments. The activity emphasized the importance of self-control, reflecting key Qatari values.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Uniform Reminder:

Friendly reminder to all students to ensure they are wearing the correct school uniform each day. **This includes proper footwear and any additional items outlined in the school uniform policy.** Wearing the correct uniform helps show school pride and maintains a sense of unity in our community. Thank you for your cooperation!

IMPORTANT DATES:

Report cards:

30 January 2025

New ECA Begins:

3 February 2025

Teacher swap day:

29 January 2025

Blyth Bear Cup:

Starts 26 January 2025

Poetry Competition Grade 4-6:

9 February 2025

Short story Competition Grade 3-6:

9 February 2025



Grade 1 Students

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

A TRIP TO THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF EDUCATION CONVENTION:

Report by Ms. Birani:

As a teacher, I had the privilege of attending the International day of Educations 2025 alongside faculty and high school students. The event served as a powerful reminder that education is a shared responsibility, one that extends beyond teachers and schools to include families, communities, and society as a whole. A key highlight was the emphasis on the Arabic language and its vital role in preserving our cultural identity. The discussions reinforced the importance of incorporating Arabic more deeply into our schools here in Qatar, not only as a subject, but as the cornerstone of our education system. It was an inspiring experience that encouraged us to reflect on how we can collectively strengthen the foundations of education for future generations.



BANFF BLOCK LOCKERS UPDATE: Exciting News!

New lockers are available to students in Banff Block!

Students who are interested can see **Mr Dean** regarding the new lockers on the following days:

- **Grade 12 - Sunday, February 2**
- **Grade 11 - Monday, February 3**
- **Grade 10 - Tuesday, February 4**
- **Grade 9-7 - Wednesday and Thursday, February 5&6**



IMPORTANT DATES:

Teacher swap day:

29 January 2025

Art exhibition:

30 January 2025

Semester 2:

29 January 2025

Poetry Competition:

9 February 2025

Short story Competition:

9 February 2025

SPORT'S CORNER

AT BLYTH



BEAR CUP HIGHLIGHTS

This week, grades 5 and 6 joined forces in an exciting display of teamwork and sportsmanship as they competed in the annual House Tournament to claim the coveted Bear Cup. The combined house teams brought energy and determination to every match, showcasing their skills across a variety of sports.

The competition was fierce, with each house striving to earn points and outplay their rivals. Highlights included nail-biting finishes, standout performances, and incredible teamwork that united students across grades.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Boys Basketball Final:
5 February 2025

Varsity Girls Football at ASD
2 February 2025

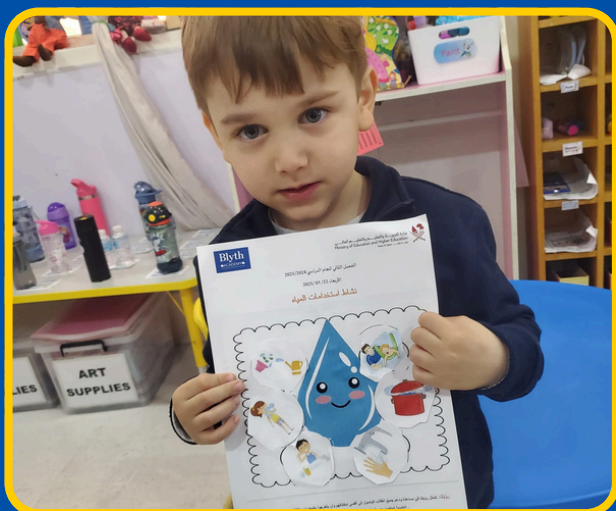
JV Girls and Boys Basketball at GEMS
2 February 2025

Blyth Bear Cup Grade 5-6:
Starts 26 January 2025

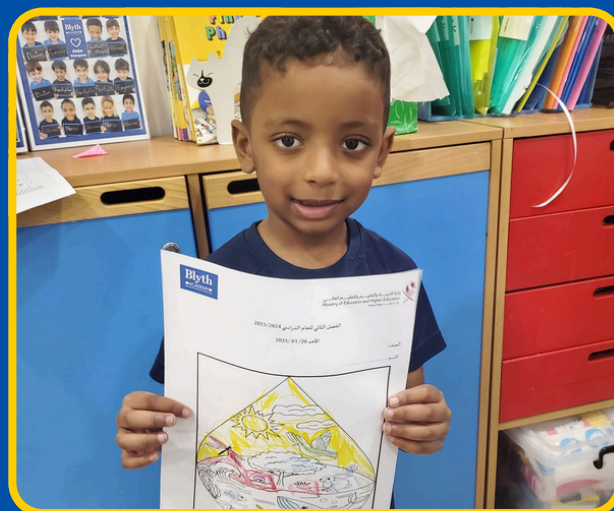


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JK students



SK Students



International day of Education Convention



Grade 5 Brain Breaks Exercises



Grade 1 Bead making

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