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15 July 2014

## YEAR 12 ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

Dear Parents of students moving from Year 11 to Year 12

I hope that you and your families are enjoying the summer break. I am writing to confirm details for the start of next term for Year 12. As I have mentioned before, all Year 12 students (those who are transferring from Year 11 to Year 12 as well as students who are new to the school) are expected at the two Orientation Days on Thursday 21 and Friday 22 August. Programmes for these days are given below. Parents are warmly encouraged to attend with their sons and daughters on Thursday, where the focus will be introducing the IB Diploma Programme and the IB Academy team, meeting with subject specialist teachers and confirming subject choices. Friday's programme is for students only and is based in the IB Academy.

I look forward to welcoming you and your sons and daughters into the IB programme. The Orientation Days are an important part of making a good start to the programme and are not optional for students – if your son or daughter may not be able to attend the Orientation Days for any reason, please let me know as soon as possible on [j-white@bisspuxi.com](mailto:j-white@bisspuxi.com) so that alternative arrangements can be made.

Students may wear casual clothes at the Orientation Days but should be dressed according to the IB Dress code from Monday 25 August. A copy of the IB Dress Code is also attached, which I hope is helpful.

All best wishes

Jane White  
Head of the IB Academy



THURSDAY 21 AUGUST (STUDENTS AND PARENTS)

9:00 am	Tea and Coffee (Dining Hall)
9:45 am	Welcome to the IB programme (Auditorium) A chance to hear more about the IB Diploma Programme at BISS and gain information about subject choices.
11:00 am	Opportunities to discuss subject options with individual subject leaders and teachers
12 noon	Individual meetings between students, parents and staff IB advisers to confirm subject choices and identify any remaining issues or information needed.

During the day students will also be given information about which tutor group they are in to ensure a smooth start on Monday 25 August.

FRIDAY 22 AUGUST (STUDENTS ONLY)

Students should arrive at school in time for a gam start in the Auditorium

	12B and 12I	12P and 12S
Session 1 9.00-10.30	Introduction	
Break 10.30-10.50	Refreshments available in the IB Academy	
Session 2 10.50-12.40	CAS – Introduction and launching the RAG week project	ALIS testing
Lunch 12.40-13.15	Refreshments available in the Dining Hall and IB Academy	
Session 3 13.15-15.05	ALIS testing	CAS – Introduction and launching the RAG week project
Session 3 15.05-15.20	Closing words and end of the Orientation Programme	

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