

# Newsletter

## CLIL Training-Interesting Experience for European School Teachers

CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning) training was a busy and productive experience. The main point of the course was how to teach students a subject productively in foreign language. The aim of teaching according to CLILis to deliver content and language simultaneously on the lesson.

During the training we covered multiple new techniques, which I am planning on using on the lesson. They will provide variety of activities in learning process and in my opinion, will be more interesting for students. During the training I had an opportunity to work with my colleagues, therefore I got acquainted with their methods and ways of teaching too.

Ana Chakhnashvili - Psychology Teacher





## Visiting Berlin Brandenburg International School

On January 9, 2018 three European School students, Aleksande Giglemiani, Nino Giglemiani, and Gvantsa Giglemiani visited and toured the International School of Berlin. Established in 1990, it has IB accreditation with an enrollment of 700 students from more than 67 nationalities, and employs teachers from the United Kingdom, United States, and Germany. The school is very creative and skillful in its varied and comprehensive educational programs.

The students enjoyed a warm welcome from Mr. Peter Kotrc, Director who assured them of the future relationship between BBIS and the European School community which now includes exchange and international programs. This is a very exciting opportunity for our students. Excellence in education here in Georgia and abroad.

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### Change the World!



The power of giving is tremendous. It does not matter how much you give, the act itself is what matters.

On December 2017, numerous European School students, faculty, and staff participated in the school's annual charity fair. Many of our students artfully created various handicraft items that were sold with the proceeds being contributed to various charities here in Georgia. The New Year was therefore filled with much joy and celebration.

One of the activities included visiting Day Care Centers in Tbilisi. In the name of her fellow European School students, Sophie Nonikashvili, Chairman of European School Student Parliament visited one Day Care Center and provided them with warm winter shoes.

She stated "I always try to be involved in community service. It is a pleasure for me to help others and bring them a little bit of happiness. When we decided to visit the Day Care Center in Tbilisi, I had a warm feeling that was also joyful and sad. I was happy because I knew I was doing a good act. I was sad though because I did not know what to expect. I have been fortunate to be born in my family, where my worries include continuing my studies at a future university and having a successful life. Their worries include whether they will manage to survive in this cruel world. I knew I had to measure each and every word I stated, so as not to upset them. When we arrived, I faced a completely different situation. Instead of worried faces, I saw my peers who had HOPE. Hope is the most important thing to have in life. Without it, people do not even try to make their lives better. I realized that these children fought not only for existence but for a better and more fulfilled future. They have experienced a more diverse upbringing than any of us would have imagined. I jumped around and laughed with them. I experienced the diligent work of their teachers to assist them and give them the opportunity to advance their lives. They embrace their future and hopefully they will be successful. I also realized that though I hoped to bring them happiness they were contributing it back to me as well. This happiness is mutual and transforms itself into HOPE. I made a promise that I will stand by their side additionally in the future and hope you will join me."



#### Senior Project Presentations of the American High School

On December 23-24, 2017, the Hotel Rixos, Borjomi hosted the Fall 2017 Senior Project Presentations of the American High School. This special and formal event was attended by three English and subject teachers with Ms. Natia Tevzadze, Academic Dean. Fifteen students of the 12th grade displayed very well-planned and organized projects based on informative topics of various fields. Project titles included "The Evolution of Advertising", "the Unstoppable March of Time", "Tales of Music and the Brain", and "Turning Point Battles of WW II".

evaluated, Teachers assessed gave recommendation on further improvement of each student's presentation skills. The students were also graded according to the awareness of the presented materials, conducted research surveys, and public speaking. Although the presentation encompassed close to 5 hours, students and teachers were able to enjoy the educative and socially beneficial evening which was followed by offerings of a sumptuous dessert table that summarized the day. An informative and yet also relaxing weekend prior to the holidays.

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