

BFS MONTHLY WAVE

April 2016 Edition

Revised ESLRs

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The Expected Schoolwide Learning Results (ESLRs) at BFS have been revised and are now simpler, clearer, and easier to measure. The BFS ESLRs represent the summative skills and characteristics that we believe are most important for students to develop by the time they graduate.

The official launch was Wednesday, April 6, 2016 with a video presentation made by Mr. Hellman's fifth grade class (check the ESLR videos here! [SHARK ESLRs explained](#)) and a visit from Sharky who distributed a pencil set to all students. Students and teachers also have t-shirts with the new ESLRs to wear on spirit days.

The ESLR revision process began in the fall of 2015 when students, parents, and teachers were surveyed to identify the qualities that students should have upon graduating from BFS. Compiling the survey results was a team effort over several months. The new ESLRs are now organized into five categories — which spell out SHARK!



The new Expected Schoolwide Learning Results (ESLRs) are:

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SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

BFS to host Mr. BFS on April 22nd – a HS Student Council initiative

Apr 11, 2016 12:15 pm

Busan Foreign School HS Student council is proud to host BFS' first ever Mr. BFS, a "male pageant" comedy show. Our 11 HS contestants will go through a series of rounds (group choreography dance, athletic wear, talent, and formal wear) and compete for the Mr. BFS title. The title will be granted by the 7 BFS staff judges who will decide upon the winner. We would love for ALL BFS families to attend the...

Save the Date

Mar 07, 2016 11:39 am

Save the date for the following important events! April 29: Orchestra Concert (5 to 7 pm) May 13: BFS Talent Show (5 to 7 pm) May 28: BFS garage Salea and Family Fun day (10:00 am to 2:00 pm)

DEPARTMENT NEWS : EARLY CHILDHOOD AND ELEMENTARY

Elementary Student of the Month: Respectful – Be responsible for yourself and others!

Apr 09, 2016 03:08 pm

March is the first month where students are given their student of the month award based on the revised ESLRs. To start with teachers decided the SHARK letter to be considered for this month's award was "R" for Respectful. And the winner's are ...

ELC and ELE PTSO organised Egg Hunt

Mar 25, 2016 04:59 pm

Thanks PTSO moms for putting together an unforgettable event for our Early Childhood and Elementary Students. All students enjoyed the special lunch break event even though we are unsure how the teachers felt with the sudden sugar rush :-) ... hop, hop, hop!!!

5th Grade Living Wax Museum: Can yo recognise these characters?

Mar 25, 2016 09:07 am

Hello, this is Dylan Kim and Stanley Cho. We're here to tell you some behind-the-scene facts about the school-famous operation: The Living Wax Museum. The students in 5th grade dressed up as famous historical figures such as Mark Twain, Robert E. Lee, and Annie Oakley. We all wrote our own original essays on the person in first-person view. This made our essays look as if...

2016 Elementary Chorus Festival Concert

Mar 15, 2016 03:53 pm

The BFS Elementary Choir directed by Mr. Chapa made it's second performance at the KIMEA Elementary Chorus Festival in Seoul on Saturday March 12th. BFS performed alongside 200 other students at international schools from all over Korea in the Performing Arts Center at Korea International School- Pangyo. It was an amazing experience connecting to each other through music and developing friendships with others from around...

DEPARTMENT NEWS : MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL

Student of the Quarter HS Winners

Apr 06, 2016 11:23 am

As we transition to the revised SHARK ESLRs, we now have 5 categories to award every single quarter. And the winners for this quarter are: Socially conscious: Daniel Kim Hardworking Achievers: Ann Kim and Maria D Articulate Communicator: Diana Liu Respectful/Responsible Citizens: Wahid Knowledgeable Critical Thinkers: Diana Son We are proud of you!

Students at Busan Foreign School in the Choices and Careers class.

Mar 25, 2016 10:45 pm

Students at Busan Foreign School in the Choices and Careers class have been busy class in 8th grade so far this semester. The current unit the students just finished is Career exploration. Students worked hard on their portfolios, which include resume, cover letter, getting letters of recommendations, business cards, filling out applications and busting stereotypes of the job markets. Students also explored what type of careers...

Breakfast with a Book Celebration: a great fund raiser for HS Prom

Mar 25, 2016 11:00 am

Literacy month has been a success at BFS. From reading buddies during advisory periods, to Harry Potter reading clubs, the students have gained an appreciation for literacy through the different events this month. On Tuesday March 22nd, the HS Student Council teamed up with the Literacy Committee to host their first ever "Breakfast with a Book" event. The stuco kids went all out in decorating...

6th Graders – Literacy Lovers!

Mar 24, 2016 02:33 pm

The 6th graders have been reading historical fiction novels during Literacy Month. Here are some of the websites they created to show their understanding of the historical context and connection to the novel... Women's Suffrage:<http://epark12004.wix.com/timeforcourage> (A Time for Courage) Civil Rights Movement:<http://2022dohe.wix.com/the-watsons> (The Watson's Go To Birmingham) Sacajawea & the Lewis & Clark Expedition: <http://chewonmoon.wix.com/sacajawea> And please do stop by the school and check out the bulletin board...

SPORT NEWS

[1st Elementary SKAC Basketball Tournament at DIS on April 9th](#)

Apr 09, 2016 10:09 am

The boys and girls' elementary basketball team travelled to DIS to compete in their first spring tournament of the year. The tournament was very well run, head up by Sarah Jolly, at Daegu international school. The boys, having fielded two teams, compiled a record of 3-1-2; the girls coming in with a record of 1-4. Some highlights include: Veronika Yuguy banging on the boards, with...

[HS Soccer Friendly game on Friday April 8th](#)

Apr 08, 2016 10:04 am

Our BFS Sharks had exciting Friday Friendly soccer matches with BIFS last week. The HS Girls Soccer team tied one game and lost one game. The captains were Ann K and JeongMin P. Stella M made 1 goal and JeongMin P made 1 goal. The Goalies were Diana L and Alice S. Overall the boys did very well. Our Varsity boys won both challenges and...

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Apr 11, 2016 03:27 pm

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[JOIN THIS YEAR'S BIWA CHARITY BALL](#)

Mar 05, 2016 11:34 am

Busan International's Woman Association would like to invite all BFS families to its annual Spring Charity Ball on Saturday April 23rd. The ball will take place at the Haeundae Grand Hotel, start at 6:30 and includes welcome drinks, five course dinner, silent charity auction and music entertainment. Please refer to the attached flyer for more information.

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