

Welcome to BISW's Parents' Association

Dear BISW Families,

We'd like to warmly welcome you to the BISW Parents' Association (PA). All parents/guardians automatically become members of our PA when your child(ren) enrol at BISW.

The main goals of the PA are to:

- Bring the school community together through social functions and student-focused activities.
- Build partnerships between the school, parents and guardians and the DC community.
- Facilitate fund-raising activities to help provide events for the school community.

The PA is comprised of three groups:

<u>PA Board</u> - The PA Board coordinates social events for the BISW community through its members and volunteers. Parent board members serve two-year terms; formulate an annual work program & budget and meet regularly to review and adjust plans and progress.

PA Class Representatives - Parent volunteers in each year group/class, who serve as a liaison between teacher, student, and parents. Class Reps support students, families and the school through various activities such as welcoming new students and their families and help them ease into life at BISW, share school information with parents by staying informed about current events at the school, and support class teachers for extra-curricular efforts, such as class parties. There is usually one class rep per class in the primary school and one or two class reps per year in the secondary school.

PA Members - All BISW parents/guardians are automatically PA members.

While you are already a member of the PA, if you wish to become more involved, there are several opportunities to become engaged and volunteer. You can complete the form below to express specific interest and you can join one of our monthly Coffee Mornings to learn more and meet other members.

I am interested in becoming more involved in BISW's PA.

□ Social Media/Communications: Collaborate with Board Members to manage the PA's social media pages, and to assist with website updates and newsletter content.

□ **Events/Social Activities:** Collaborate with Board Members on planning/organizing and working PA events including Uniform Sales, Coffee Mornings, Picnics, Quiz Nights, Happy Hours, Walking Tours, Yoga, Mindfulness, etc.

□ **Ad-hoc Volunteering:** I would like to volunteer when time commits and would agree to remain on the volunteer list and receive communications and calls for assistance.

□ **Undecided:** I would like to be involved but would like someone to reach out to me.

Name:

Email:

Mobile:

Class Year(s) of Child(ren):_____

Please return completed forms to BISW Reception. You can contact the PA Board at <u>board.biswpa@gmail.com</u> with questions. Thank you!