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# STUDENT'S GUIDE BOOK

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THE FIRST STEP



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## **WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL**

We would like to say hello as a Gökkuşığı College. We hope that you will be happy and reach your goals. In this book, we offer you some information about how to accomodate our culture and our school easily. We wish you joy and happiness.

*Family of Gökkuşığı*

## **OUR JOURNEY**

21 years ago, which means in 1997, Gökkuşığı College has begun their journey. After all these years, we have become a school which improves itself and has universal perspective. Our journey which has begun in Bahçelievler, continues in Bahçeşehir, Beylikdüzü and Ümraniye. We can say with proud that we are a world school appyling IB and Primary Years Programme. One of the important subject is Gelişim University that is our sister school. We produce original projects about education and training with university. Our colleges continue to educate with an understanding that each student should have their own values and also aware about other's values with respect. We aim to raise individuals who is educated with national and international programmes and, who can go beyond the limits with their language skills. Lets we look closer to our programmes, members and includings our home.

## **WHO WE ARE?**

First of all we want to point that we are assertive for each step of educaiton; kindergarden, primary school, middle school and high school. We aim improvement of individuals who can ask questions, make researches, take the risk and be open minded, social, aware about the world. Therefore, our school participates the national and international contests with students. In 'TUBITAK National and International Math Olympiads', 'National and International Web Design-Project Olympiad', social responsibility project, international english exams, our students take rewards and indicate our school's success. Furthermore, we demonstrate our name in national and international platforms with 'Qualified Team of the Year' reward from MEB. We take firm steps forward with a vision of being a world school and a team that loves their jobs.

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## **ACADEMIC CALENDER**

### **What is in the 2018-2019 Academic Calender?**

Beginning of the first semester	<b>Monday, 17 September 2018</b>
Republic Day	<b>29th of October, Monday</b>
New Years Day	<b>1st of January</b>
Winter Break	<b>21 January 2019-1 February 2019</b>
Beginning of the second semestere	<b>Monday, 4 February 2019</b>
National Sovereignty and Children's Day	<b>23rd of April, Tuesday</b>
Labour Day (National Holiday)	<b>1st of May, Wednesday</b>
Commemoratiin of Atatürk, Youth and Sports Day	<b>19th of May, Sunday</b>
End of the Second Semestre	<b>Friday, 14 June 2019</b>

\*There are only national holidays

## **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES**

### **Cambridge Assessment International Education**

Gökkuşığı College has Cambridge IGCSE, Cambridge A Levels ve International baccalaureate programmewhich are world's the most prestigious high school diploma programmes. We internalize an educational approach which is supervised and performed measurement and evaluation by Cambridge University Cambridge Assessment International Education departmen and IB.

We are trying to present academic perfection, make real every students' potential, give comprehensive education.

## **YKS Preperation Workshops**

We organise additional study hours two days in weekdays from grade 9 to grade 12. Also we give extra courses if students demand.

For each of our students, from High School 1, we also provide weekly test charts that are tailored to meet the target questions on the topics they are working on.

We also help them identify all the types of questions they may encounter in a related topic examination.

We apply a pilot test each month to ensure that topics covered in high school 1. By this way, we help them to be ready to university exams. The number of test exams for our grade 12 students is going up to 25. We organise university trips and one exam for grade 12 in university. By analyzing the results we determine your needs and make sure about your improvement.

## **Academic Workshops**

Academic workshops aim to improvement of students according to their abilities, skills about culture, art and sport.

We orient you to the academies that are appropriate to your interests and abilities. through the results obtained from the GPAT (Gokkusagi Schools Personality&Aptitude Test) developed and conducted by the guidance unit and student-parent negotiations.

Academies: Dancing– Guitar– Piano– Chess– Ice Skating– Swimming– Sailing– Riding.

## **High School Foreign Language Studies**

Many of our students take an achievement certificate in English as KET, PET and FCE exams conducted by Cambridge University's examination department which is called as Cambridge Assessment English department, all over the World. We measure our level of foreign language with an international standards and we prove that we reach our students at a high level of foreign language.

\*The second foreign language is Spanish that is given between 2-4 hours per week.

## **Stem**

STEM refers an intense programme about science, technology, engineering and math. Stem;education in all age groups include formal &informal education.

Individuals who support the STEM system, offer generalized engineering programmes and start the programme from the early ages.

## **LIFE OF STUDENTS**

There are four levels in our school; high school, middle school, elementary school and kindergarden. Our school has been designed systematically for each level. There are 3 entrances in school. High school, middle school, elementary school have their own entrance. Kindergarden students should use the entrance in the information center.

High school part of the school consists of two floor. Cambridge classes are in the first floor, Anatolian high school classes are in second floor. In Cambridge student's floor, there are also principle's room, teacher's room, library, science lab and art room. Counselling service room and English teacher's room are in the second floor.

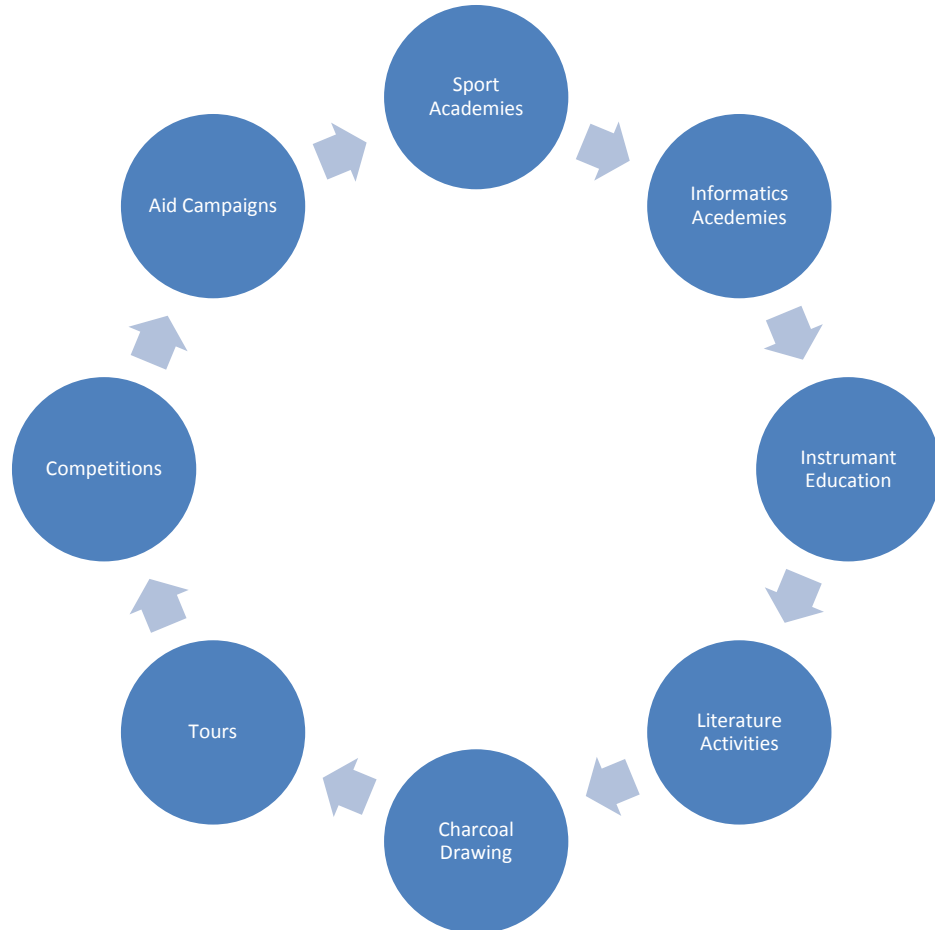
We have 2 sport centers, music room, Stem labs, 3D room, conference room in the school for students' free times. Our biggest sport center is in the garden of the school and the other one is in the basement. Music room, Stem labs are in the first floor and 3D room is in the same floor with elementary school's classes. We also have a conference hall which is in the first floor.

Furthermore, there is a canteen and a dining hall for students. Each grade's eating hours are different from each other. Canteen is across from the conference room.

## **SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES**

- Afforestation Projects
- Recycle Projects
- Charitable Institution Projects
  - Helping Other Schools
- Sister School Projects
- Projects About Saving Animals
- Tours
  - University Tours
  - Museum Tours
  - Fair Tours
- Nature Trips
- Science Festivals
- GK Talks (experiences of graduated students)

## Social Activities



**These are our activities, if you want to join one of these you just have to go to your guide teacher Kadir AYDIN and tell her or him.**

## **RULES OF THE SCHOOL**

1. Male students must come to school with blue t-shirt and navy blue pants. Girls must wear navy blue pants and grey t-shirt.
2. There are lessons on weekdays.
3. Lessons start at 09.00 a.m.
4. A lesson hour is 40 minutes, breaks are 10 minutes.
5. Lunch break hours are different for each grade. Students should learn their lunch hours.
6. Lunch breaks are 40 minutes.
7. School ends at 16.30p.m.
8. Each grade has its own additional classes after school. Students may join these classes and follow their time.
9. Every student must be in class before the teacher.
10. Every student must give their mobile phones to authorized one before the class every morning.
11. Toilets should be kept clean.
12. The warnings of teachers and administrators must be taken into account.
13. School and its environment should be kept clean and nature should be protected.
14. Students must attend school events and ceremonies, and behave in accordance with the special rules of their activities and events during these events.
15. Each student must stand in order in the place reserved for his class at the flag ceremonies.
16. Students have to protect their materials and other equipments which belong to the school and they mustn't damage them .
17. Students have the rights that 10 days of unexcused, 20 days of excused absenteeism in total. Students who are absent 5 days or more will not receive a certificate of appreciation and honor.
18. Students who come late in the morning and who want to leave the school with permission have to take late and permit papers from the school principal and the guidance teacher.
19. Students have to fulfill the responsibilities that are given by their teachers.
20. To be considered as a successful student at the end of the school year, students should have at least 50 point arithmetic mean of the two term points or at least 70 of the second term point should be regardless of the first term point.
21. Passing class directly;
  - (1) After the year
    - a) The one who is succesfull from each lesson,
    - b) Students who fail at some lessons but have at least 50 point achievement point at the end of year, can pass directly.
    - c) Students who fail the courses that can not be considered as successful at the end of the year, will be responsible for that courses.



## **WHAT IS CLASS COUNSELING AND SCHOOL COUNSELING?**

Class counselors organize orientation meetings and group studies for new students like you. We aim to boost your adaptation process with these meetings and studies.

Additionally, our counselors are ready to help for making your adaptation process easy in our culture and school. If students spend time with Turkish students and visit our architecture represents Turkish culture, their adaptation process will be easier for them. Besides that, there are which support students. With these studies, we aim to know your social, emotional and cognitive profile. In this way, we support your social and academic development better.

We organise counseling hours up to your needs and these are mostly about problem solving , creativity, empathy, sharing skills.

On the other hand, teachers, your counselor and professionals guide to your parents and give information with presentations and speeches.

Your School Counselors Name is: Kadir AYDIN

## School Surroundings

Our school is located in Beylikdüzü and our students can use minibuses to spend their spare time at Yaşam Vadisi which is located in twenty-five minutes distance to here. They can walk, skate, cycle etc. For shopping, they can also use minibuses, metrobusses and busses to go to Perlavista and Marmara Park Shopping Center which are ten and twenty minutes far from here.

The closest bus stop is Kafkas Caddesi with 400A from Yenibosna. Also they can come to our school by busses which numbers are 3-4 from the metrobus stops.

**If you have any more questions contacta us please...**

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