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# BAIS BUZZ

## Message from the Director

Dear BAIS Families,

**Parent-Teacher conferences** are scheduled for Tuesday, November 11. Students are encouraged to attend. More information will go out next week. First quarter reports will go home Friday, November 7.

Happy Halloween! Our **annual Halloween party** is tomorrow, **Saturday, November 1**, is the big day. This is always a highlight of the year. There is updated information inside the Buzz. Thanks again to **Ms. Mary Jobe** for organizing! Thank you also to all who volunteered, and thanks in advance to the **U.S. Marines** who will organize the haunted house!

Book Month is now completed. I am excited to announce that our students have met their reading goals, so you know what that means! Beach Day! We will return to the Kalimba Resort on Friday, May 29. More information will be made available as we get closer to the event. A special thank you to **Ms. Sainab** for all of her hard work in organizing an amazing Book Month!!

I am excited to announce a new addition to our middle school and high school physical education program. We will have a four week unit of **swimming instruction** starting soon. More information is inside the Buzz.

On Thursday of this week, several of our staff members met virtually with Ms. Beth Dille of the Altamont School in Birmingham, Alabama. Ms. Dille leads the Miree Leadership Center at Altamont. More information is inside the Buzz.

Please remember that this Wednesday, November 5, is a half day professional development day.

Robert Harper, Director

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## Upcoming Events

**Sat., Nov. 1**

Halloween Party

**Wed., Nov. 5**

Professional Development Day  
12:00 Dismissal

**Fri., Nov. 7**

Quarter reports go home

**Tues., Nov. 11**

Parent-Teacher Conferences

**Thurs., Nov. 27**

Thanksgiving Holiday  
12:00 Dismissal





THE BANJUL AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL  
INVITES YOU TO THE

# 2025 BAIS PTO HALLOWEEN PARTY

TRICK-OR-TREATING  
HAUNTED HOUSE  
COSTUME PARADE  
SCARY MOVIE

FOOD AND  
BEVERAGES  
FOR  
PURCHASE

NOVEMBER 1ST, 2025  
6:00PM-9:00PM  
MOVIE STARTS AT 8:00

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## Swimming in MS and HS Physical Education

Beginning Monday, November 10, we will begin a four week unit of swimming instruction in middle school and high school physical education class. Swimming will be on Mondays and Wednesdays for four weeks. Classes will be held at the swimming pool at the Fajara Club and will be instructed by the Aquafit Swimming Club. We will transport students to the Club at the beginning of class, but please remember that **MS/HS students will need to be picked up at the Fajara Club at the end of the school day.** This will be swimming instruction, with students being taught proper skill techniques by a qualified professional who is also trained in CPR, and will be included as part of their P.E. grade for the quarter. This is not a time for free play in the swimming pool; we plan to offer swimming as an after school activity for younger students later in the year, with the possibility of instruction included for that as well.

## Saturday Soccer

There will be no Saturday Soccer this week, due to the Halloween Party. We will return to our regular schedule on November 8.

## Model United Nations

Dear Parents,

We are excited to share that our students have the opportunity to participate in the Barcelona International Model United Nations (BIMUN) conference this April. You can learn more about the event here: <https://www.bimunbarcelona.com>.

To provide more details about the conference, travel logistics, and estimated costs, we will hold a parent meeting next week. The meeting will take place on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. on campus, with a Zoom option available for families who prefer to join remotely.

This meeting will be an opportunity to review the trip plans, answer questions, and discuss possible funding support for participating students.

We look forward to seeing you there and sharing more about this exciting experience!

Warm regards,  
Mary Jobe  
Model UN Advisor

## Halloween Update!

### 🎃 BAIS Halloween Party! 🧛

Mark your calendars! The BAIS community is invited to a **spooktacular Halloween celebration** on **Saturday, November 1, from 6:00–9:00 PM.**

#### 📄 What's in store?

- Trick-or-Treating 🍬
- Haunted House 👁️
- Scary Movie 🎬
- Food & Beverages for Purchase 🍔 🥤

#### 🎫 Tickets:

- Tickets go on sale in October.
- **100 dalasis per child**
- Each BAIS student may invite **up to two friends** who do not attend BAIS.
- We kindly ask that all tickets be purchased **ahead of the event and they will be on sale starting Monday, October 27th**

#### 🕸️ We Need Your Help!

To make this event a monster success, we're asking for **parent volunteers** to help run activities, decorate, and supervise stations.

We're also looking for **donations of food, drinks, and treats** for our hungry ghouls and goblins!

👉 **Please sign up to volunteer or bring an item here:** [Insert Sign-Up Link or Contact Info]

Come ready for chills, thrills, and lots of fun—**costumes encouraged!** [BAIS Halloween Party](#) 🎃

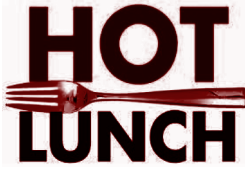
*Mary Jobe*

## Developing Ethical Leadership in Students

On Thursday, some of our staff had the opportunity to meet virtually with Ms. Beth Dille of The Altamont School in Birmingham, Alabama. I previously had shared with you my reconnection with my high school alma mater and our mutual desire to develop a relationship where we can share ideas and resources. Altamont is one of the top college preparatory schools in the Southeast and, according to [Niche.com](https://niche.com), is in the top ten percent of all college prep schools in all of the United States. Ms. Dille leads their Miree Ethical Leadership Center, a vital part of their school's culture. Ms Dille met with Ms. Amal Alfa (National Honor Society sponsor), Ms. Fatoumatta Jobe (Student Council sponsor), Mr. Muhammad Njie (Service Project and Inquiry Project supervisor) and Ms. Mary Jobe (College Counselor and Model United Nations teacher). Ms. Dille shared some of the amazing projects, internships, and experiential learning experiences that their students have been involved in. You can read more about the Miree Center here:

<https://www.altamontschool.org/academics/leadership-education>.

Tentative plans are currently underway for Ms. Dille, accompanied by the Head of School Mr. Cecil Stodghill, and a couple of their other team members, to visit BAIS in September of next year. We have also had discussions about potential teacher exchanges and student exchanges. Their director of college counseling, Ms. Amanda Hardie, has been collaborating with Mary Jobe about the university admissions process. In addition, Altamont is planning a tour of universities in the United Kingdom for their students during their spring break of 2027 and have invited any of our students who may be interested to join them. Mr. Stodghill and his staff have a passion for growing our relationship and how we can help their students become more globally aware, and we also are excited about ideas which we can gain from them and how those can positively impact our students. More information will follow as we move forward!



# November 2025

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT CONTACT Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Choose Portion Size:

Small - 200 Dalasi

Large - 250 Dalasi

2. Choose how you will order:

*Tick here to order all the lunches for this month.*

Full Period : 14 lunches (Total cost: Small = D2,800 OR Large = D3,500)

*Tick here to order lunches by the day.*

By the day:

1. Tick the days desired in the chart below

2. Multiply x D 200 (small) or D250 (large)

3. Write in here: **Total # lunches:** \_\_\_\_\_ **x Cost per portion** \_\_\_\_\_ **= D**

3. Get money and form to BAIS OFFICE

November 2025	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Nov 3 - 6	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Fish Fingers, French Fries with Salad & Fruit	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Spaghetti with Tomato Sauce & Fruit	☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆ <i>Faculty PD Noon Dismissal</i> ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Grilled Chicken W/ Coconut Curry Rice & Cake
Nov 10 - 13	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Creamy Mushroom Chicken W/ Mixed Pasta & Fruit	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Fish in Batter With Roasted Potatoes & Veggies & Fruit	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Crispy Potato Cheese Balls, Sweet Chilli Sauce, Mixed Salad & Fruit	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Beef Burger, French Fries W/ Cucumber Salad & Fruit
Nov 17 - 20	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Chicken Shawarma W/ Mixed Salad & Fruit	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Spaghetti Bolognese & Fruit	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Fish and Cherry Tomato Sauce W/ Rice & Cake	<i>Tick to order</i> Margarita Pizza Mixed Salad & Ice Cream
Nov 24 - 27	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Fish Benachin & Vegetables with Bissap Sauce & Cake	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Chicken Brochette with potato Salad & Fruit	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tick to order</i> Beef Ragu W/ Tagliatelle Pasta & Fruit	☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆ <i>Thanksgiving Holiday Noon Dismissal</i> ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆

# Getting Ready for the Illustrator's Tea and Halloween!

