



The Parents' Association

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the British International School of New York (BIS-NY)!

The Parent's Association (PA) is excited to work with you all next year to help create a close, vibrant and supportive school community and to enrich you and your children's school experience. The PA is a great way to get involved in the School, connect with your children's school life and meet other families. Please see below for details on getting involved, and take a moment to complete [this short survey](#) if you already know there is something in particular you'd like to help with.

Class Representatives (Class Rep)

Every BIS-NY class will have at least one Class Rep who is responsible for attending PA meetings as regularly as possible and communicating PA information to parents in their class. Class Reps will also be in touch with your class before the school year to send you important start-of-the-year news.

Volunteering for PA Events

All PA events are organised and supported by parents on a voluntary basis – we cannot make them happen without you! Volunteering is also a great way to forge deeper connections with other parents and families at the school. Parents are encouraged to volunteer for activities throughout the school year at PA meetings, through their Class Representative, or by email to bisnypa@gmail.com.

PA Meetings

The PA's quarterly meetings are used to discuss and plan upcoming events and share information with parents on topics of relevance to the BIS-NY community. Dates for these will be communicated early in the year, and the meeting agenda will be circulated in advance of each meeting. All parents are invited to attend and a remote option is always provided for

PA Dues

PA dues of \$225 per student are billed to all families at the start of the school year. These dues are used to fund student-focused initiatives and events; support student holiday and year-end

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class parties; and cover holiday and year-end gifts for teachers and staff so families themselves don't have to. PA funds are not used to cover social events for parents.

Dues are automatically invoiced at the start of the year and are payable through the TADS system. These funds are overseen by the PA Treasurer, Kate Kumaria, and any questions about PA finances may be sent to bisnypa@gmail.com.

Wishing you a happy, restful summer and we can't wait to meet you all in September.

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