

Thursday, 30th October 2025

### **Dear Parents,**

#### Re: Upcoming BQA and BSO Inspection

We are delighted to share some exciting news — Capital School will be welcoming a joint inspection visit from the **Bahrain Quality Assurance Authority** (BQA) and **British Schools Overseas** (BSO) from **Monday 10th to Wednesday 12th November.** 

This visit represents an **exciting opportunity to celebrate the success and progress of our school** and to receive external verification of the high standards, innovation, and strong sense of community that define Capital School. We are incredibly proud of how far we have come together and confident that our pupils, staff, and parents will showcase the very best of our school to the inspection teams.

# **Our Journey of Growth and Improvement**

Over the past year, we have continued to enhance both the learning environment and the educational opportunities available to every pupil, from our youngest learners in the Early Years to our oldest in Sixth Form.

The opening of our state-of-the-art STEAM Centre has transformed the way pupils are learning a broader range of curriculum subjects, ensuring our pupils develop the critical thinking and innovation skills needed for the future. Our creative and performing arts provision has flourished, with the addition of a new Drama and music Department.

*Enrichments* are now an integral part of the curriculum where pupils can choose which areas to explore, all of which are linked to the invaluable 21st Century skills.

### **A Strengthened Primary Curriculum**

In our Primary School, significant work has gone into curriculum enhancement and consistency. Each subject now benefits from clearly structured knowledge organisers and sequenced progression maps that ensure pupils build skills and understanding year by year.

We have also focused on standardisation and moderation, aligning teaching and assessment across year groups to ensure accuracy, fairness, and high expectations in every classroom. This work, alongside the strong support of our new Phase Leaders, have ensured that every child experiences a consistent, engaging, and challenging curriculum.

Our phonics and reading programme continue to strengthen early literacy, and the introduction of independent reading time in upper primary has fostered a genuine love of books and learning. In addition, pupils enjoy a rich timetable of subjects including Art, Music, Computing, PE, Arabic, and Islamic Studies — providing a truly balanced education.











### **Innovation and Digital Learning**

Our journey towards digital excellence continues. Capital School has fully integrated Microsoft Education tools across the older years, with plans to introduce it to younger years groups in the coming months. Our intention to register as a Microsoft Incubator School reinforces our mission to use technology in innovative, impactful ways. The introduction of the iSAMS portal has strengthened parents school engagement, with assessment scores being uploaded and shared with parents more frequently than once a term (Secondary parents, this will happen next week for you when you can view their recent Maths Progress Test Scores!)

# **Excellence, Care and Community**

At the heart of Capital School's success is a team of passionate educators who ensure excellence across all subjects. Our pupils thrive within a broad and stimulating KS3 curriculum, and every student benefits from strong pastoral and emotional support provided by dedicated team of teaching staff and counsellors.

Our Student Council plays an active role in shaping school life, while our refurbished multi-purpose hall supports sports, performing arts, and community events. We continue to uphold our values of being Ready, Respectful, and Safe — principles that underpin the inclusive and positive culture of our school.

#### **Your Voice Matters**

As part of the upcoming inspection, the BQA and BSO teams would like to hear directly from parents. Please take a few minutes to complete the Parent Survey before Saturday, 1st November, using the link below:

https://esurveys.bqa.gov.bh/survey/D/Capitalpq

Your feedback is incredibly valuable and will help the inspectors understand what makes Capital School such a vibrant, caring, and ambitious community.

We are excited and confident as we prepare to welcome the inspection teams. This visit is a milestone in our journey — a chance to reflect on our achievements, celebrate our shared success, and demonstrate the excellence that our pupils experience every day.

Thank you, as always, for your trust, encouragement, and partnership. Together, we are shaping a school that our pupils — and all of Bahrain — can be proud of.

Warm regards,

**Assheton Woodall** 

Principal









