

## Newsletter – 18 December 2015

This has been the **end of another hectic but exciting term** in which we have enjoyed a very successful inspection by the visiting ISI team. The report should become available early next term. Please be aware that the spring term recommences on Tuesday January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016. If you are returning to Brussels after the start of the spring term then please send an e-mail into the school office to let us know that you wish to take an unauthorised absence.

Please don't forget that every Friday morning there is a **parents' coffee morning** held in the Junior department library at 09.00 and this is a great social occasion. It also gives parents an opportunity to change their library book in the Parents and teachers section of the library.

If anyone thinks that they may be leaving at the end of the spring term then we would like to remind everyone that the **deadline of 90 days for giving written notice of departure** falls during this Christmas break on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> December. This is 90 days before Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March, the last day of the spring term.

The **next meeting of the BISB Book Club** will be week on Wednesday January 13<sup>th</sup> at 8pm when we shall be completing conversations about 'The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul' by Deborah Rodriguez as well as looking at Empress Dowager Cixi : The Concubine Who Launched Modern China by Jung Chang

Everyone is very welcome to attend even if you haven't read either book as you can come along to help suggest a book for the following meeting.

The Junior department and our Nursery children have both enjoyed successful performance for the parents and the **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 show** will also be at the Lijsterbes theatre but after the holiday on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2016.

And finally this week's thought for the week is:-

"People ask for criticism, but they only want praise".

- W. Somerset Maugham

- Autumn Term 2015

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 17.00 Junior Department production

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 14.30 Nursery concert  
Infant Department

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 12.15 (12.20 Junior dept) End of term

Spring Term 2016

Thursday 21st January, 2016. 17.00 Infant Department production  
Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Summer Term 2016

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April  
- Friday 29th April Year 4, 5 and 6 children Residential week  
at Rippledown House, UK

BISB School Calendar – Academic Year 2015 / 2016

**Autumn Term**

**Tuesday, September 1, 2015**

**Start of Autumn Term**

Monday, October 26, 2015  
- Friday, October 30, 2015

Half Term  
Break

Friday, November 6, 2015

School Closed - Staff Training Day

Wednesday, November 11, 2015

School Closed - Public Holiday  
Armistice Day

**Friday, December 18, 2015 at 12.15**

**End of Autumn Term**

**Spring Term**

**Tuesday, January 5, 2016**

**Start of Spring Term**

Monday, February 8, 2016  
- Friday, February 12, 2016

Half Term  
Break

**Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 15.30**

**End of Spring Term**

Monday, April 11, 2016  
Day

School Closed - Staff Training

**Summer Term**

**Tuesday, April 12, 2016**

**Start of Summer Term**

Thursday, May 5, 2016  
Friday, May 6 2016

Ascension Public Holiday  
Half Term Holiday

Monday, May 16, 2016

Pentecost Holiday

**Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 15.30**

**End of Summer Term**

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016