

## Newsletter – 15 April 2016

Please be aware that tomorrow we shall be holding our **Spring Craft & Coffee Morning**, which will be from 10.00 – 12.00 on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April in the infant department. This will again provide fun activities for the children and also be a social event for parents. We are aware that many families have recommended the school to other parents so if you wish to invite along members of a family not yet at BISB to enable them to see the school then they too would be very welcome. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Our Year 4, 5 and 6 children are off for their **residential week at Rippledawn House on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April**. Children will be travelling in school uniform by Eurostar to London but their luggage will be taken by school minibus direct to Rippledawn. Therefore their luggage should be brought into school by Friday of next week.

During this week the **Year 2 children will spend the week (Monday April 25 – Friday April 29) working in the Junior department**, in Avenue de l'Emeraude, 59 (only a few minutes' walk from the Infant Department.) to familiarise themselves for next year, when they become Year 3. They will be there with Mrs. Read for the week, and so they should be dropped off and picked up (at 15.30) at the Junior Department in Avenue de l'Emeraude, 59 rather than at the Infant Department in Avenue Emile Max.

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April we are going to host a **special coffee morning for parents of our Year 4, 5 and 6 children** who are going to Rippledawn House. This will give parents an opportunity to find out more about the residential trip and also to ask any questions that they wish. Other parents are also welcome to attend.

Parents should have received the **list of extra-curricular activities** for this term. These have been sent out by both email and letter so please contact the school office if you haven't yet received the information. Please note that the Friday Dance group will not start next week so the first day will be the first Friday after Rippledawn House on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Next week our **Year 4 children will be visiting Trainworld**, the Train museum in Schaerbeek on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

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.

In each department there are leaflets available describing the **Sports Stages available at the Castle Club in the Easter and Summer holidays**. Please pop in and collect one if this is of interest to you.

If you are likely to be **leaving school before the last day of this term** i.e. Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup> then please inform the school as soon as possible of your travel plans.

This year the **LAMDA examinations**, for those children who have already been entered, will be taking place next week during the school day on Thursday 21 April 2016 in the Junior department.

The **talk topic homeworks** for next week are as follows:-

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| For Nursery   | Why do we need to wear clothes?   |
| For Reception | What do we know about Space and Planets?  |
| For Year 1    | Where do worms live and what do they like to eat?   |
| For Year 2    | How are our modern buildings different from buildings of the past?  |
| For Year 3    | Discuss how volcanoes are created and if they are all created in the same way.                              |
| For Year 4    | Who were the main Ancient Greek Gods?   |
| For Year 5    | What would it have been like for the Spanish when they entered the city of Tenochtitlan for the first time? |
| For Year 6    | What am I looking forward to during Rippledawn week?  |

At the **next meeting of the BISB Book Club** next week we shall be looking at "A Married Man" by Catherine Alliott. This is supposed to be a humorous book which will be light reading after Empress Cixi. If anyone wants to be involved then the meeting will be on Wednesday evening 20<sup>th</sup> April at 20.00.

This week's star pupils of this week were:

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| Reception | Tharun for his ever growing water confidence.<br>Shanvitha for being a very good team player.   |
| Year 1    | Anjali for good work in maths with 1 more, 1 less, 10 more and 10 less.<br>Min-Jae for showing good scissor skills in our work on the artist Matisse.       |
| Year 2    | Arsalan for his excellent work testing the whole class on the number bonds.<br>Marina for sharing with us all her knowledge about the Great Fire of London. |
| Year 3    | Divgun for trying very hard in class and on the tennis court.   |
| Year 4    | Aditya for making amazing improvement in his handwriting.   |
| Year 5    | Amin for lovely art work and a fine, mature start to the term.  |

Year 6 Alakananda for being only one mark away from receiving a medal in the UK Primary Mathematics Competition - Fantastic achievement

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

“An optimist is the human personification of spring”.

- Susan J. Bissonette

## Summer Term 2016

Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 10.00 – 12.00	Spring Craft & Coffee Morning in the infant department
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 visit to Trainworld.
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 09.00	Special coffee morning for parents of children who are going to Rippledown House
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Drop off of Rippledown luggage at the Junior department.
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4, 5 and 6 children Residential week at Rippledown House, UK
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 2 children working in Junior Department
Tuesday May 10 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Consultation Evening Parents Consultation Evening
w/c Monday May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Environment Week
Saturday May 28 <sup>th</sup> 12.00 – 14.30	International Day
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 17.00	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Production De Lijsterbes Theatre
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 11.30	Nursery & Reception show
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 14.30	Year 1 and Year 2 show
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Last day of Term

BISB School Calendar – Academic Year 2015 / 2016

**Autumn Term**

**Tuesday, September 1, 2015**

**Start of Autumn Term**

Monday, October 26, 2015

Half Term

- Friday, October 30, 2015

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

Half Term

- Friday, February 12, 2016

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

Ascension Public Holiday

Friday, May 6 2016

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