

Newsletter – 09 September 2016

We trust that the many parents who were able to come along to this week's **Curriculum briefing evening** found the evening to be interesting and informative. If you weren't able to join us then please make sure that you received the handout available for each class.

Next week will be the third full week of term and it is therefore appropriate for parents to leave the playground for the children. Accordingly we would ask that **parents who have dropped their children off at the infant department in the morning depart promptly** and do not wait to see the children line up and go into school. Otherwise the playground becomes unnecessarily full and we do not want there to be any accident as a result.

We are intending to hold our first large scale social event this year which will be our **Walk in the Woods**. This will be on Sunday 9th October at 14.00 and details about the location will be circulated nearer the time.

We have received several responses to the proposal of starting an after school activity club in Hindi. So that we can gauge the full requirement we would ask that any family who may be interested please send in a response by early next week.

Please don't forget that there is also the possibility of learning piano at BISB on Tuesday or Thursday and if this might be of interest to you then please let the school office know.

Many thanks to the majority of that have **completed the electronic contact details** but if you are yet to return them to the school office could we ask that you do so as soon as possible please? This will become urgent by next week.

The **weekly Coffee mornings** are now held every Friday at 09.00 in the Junior department library. This week's attendance was excellent and we do hope that you can come along in the future if you weren't able to come along today. This will also give you a chance to change your library books from the large selection of books in English for parents and teachers.

The **School Photograph day** will be on Wednesday 12th October this year. Therefore we expect that all children will be able to attend school as normal on that day. There will be an opportunity afterwards to buy photographs taken then, including, individual, class and school photographs.

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

- For Nursery Who lives in your home? What are their names?
For Reception What pets have you had in the past or would like to have?
For Year 1 How have I changed since I was a baby?
For Year 2 Do you prefer hot or cold weather? Explain.
For Year 3 Is it better in the city when there are no cars on the roads?
For Year 4 If you had arrived at Botany Bay, what would you have named the new land and what would you have done next?
For Year 5 If you could sail anywhere in the world, where would you sail to and why?
For Year 6 How could you use Excel in science?

Please feel free to suggest a book for **the BISB Book Club** to read as the first book of the autumn term. **The first meeting of the Book club will be this Wednesday 21st September starting at 20.00.** This will be a general social gathering when anyone can come along and suggest a book for everyone to read in the following weeks. We look forward to both new and old members coming along.

This week's star pupils of this week were:

- Reception Yeshwanth for his ever growing confidence in a whole class setting.
Diya for her excellent letter formation.
Year 1 Jacob for good participation in PE and art this week – well done!
Saskia for doing a great job at learning letter sounds in English.
Year 2 Aarav for working well in all areas of school.
Min-Jae for excellent effort in Numeracy this week.
Year 3 Arsalan for trying really hard with his work this week. He has concentrated well and made a huge effort to finish tasks. Well done!
Year 4 Bhargav for really getting on with his work and producing great stuff.
Year 5 Ameya for good communication skills when he was explaining his strategies during a mental maths activity.
Year 6 Ishika for her contagious enthusiasm for learning, outstanding work ethic and kindness to others.

Please let us know as soon as possible **if you think that you may be leaving in this autumn term** i.e. any time up till December 2016. The 90 day deadline for the end of this term for written notice of departure, after which deposits will not be refunded, will fall tomorrow on Saturday 17th September.

For all those families **paying fees by Domiciliation** each month please note that the target date for the amounts to be taken from your account is always the 3rd of each month. For families making their first domiciliation payment

there is always a slight delay as the bank process and enter the new information.

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

“That is what learning is. You suddenly understand something you've understood all your life, but in a new way”.

- Doris Lessing

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Autumn Term 2016

Tuesday 13 th September 19.00 In Infant & Junior departments	Curriculum Briefing	
Wednesday 21st September 20.00 in the Infant department.	BISB Book Club	
Sunday, 9 th October 14.00	Walk in the Woods	
Wednesday 12 th October	School Photograph Day	
Wednesday 12th October.	Parents evening for Year 1	
Monday 24 th October	Start of Pumpkin week	
Tuesday 25 th October	Parents Evening	<i>Appointment times will be given before half term</i>
Wednesday 26th October.	Parents Evening	
Friday, October 28, 2016	School Closed - Staff Training Day	
Monday, October 31, 2016 - Friday, November 4, 2016	Half Term Break	
Friday, November 11, 2016 Armistice Day	School Closed - Public Holiday	

BISB School Calendar – Academic Year 2016 / 2017

Autumn Term

Thursday, September 1, 2016

Start of Autumn Term

Friday, October 28, 2016 School Closed - Staff Training Day

Monday, October 31, 2016 Half Term
- Friday, November 4, 2016 Break

Friday, November 11, 2016 School Closed - Public Holiday
Armistice Day

Friday, December 16, 2016 at 12.15

End of Autumn Term

Spring Term

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

Start of Spring Term

Monday, February 27, 2017 Half Term
- Friday, March 3, 2017 Break

Friday, March 31, 2017 at 12.15

End of Spring Term

Tuesday, April 18, 2017

School Closed - Staff Training Day

Summer Term

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

Start of Summer Term

Monday, May 1, 2017

May Day Public Holiday

Thursday, May 25, 2017

Ascension Public Holiday

Friday, May 26 2017

Half Term Holiday

Monday, June 5, 2017

Pentecost Holiday

Friday June 30th 2017 at 12.15

End of Summer Term

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Monday, September 4th, 2017