

This Sunday afternoon (Sunday 9th October at 14.00) we shall be welcoming people to our ‘**Walk in the Woods**’ which promises to be a great afternoon for a gentle stroll through the wooded countryside around Tervuren . We shall be starting from the junction of Wolvenweg and Hertenbergstraat in Tervuren and the link below

<https://www.google.be/maps/dir///@50.8196323,4.5121748,17.5z?hl=en>

shows more details. If you are travelling by public transport from Brussels then the starting point is around 10 minutes walk from the Tervuren Dorp stop on the 44 tramline.

The weather promises to be dry and pleasant and we suggest that everyone wears comfortable shoes for walking. The route will not be too long and will be suitable for everyone from age four to eighty four although we do not recommend that you bring push chairs. We should be finishing around 16.00 and we look forward to seeing as many people as possible.

Congratulations to everyone in the Junior department for enabling the children there to enjoy a fantastic Space week.

<http://www.worldspaceweek.org/events/event-details/?eventID=10745>

They have been blasting off rockets, dancing space dances, learning about the history of space travel and summarising all of these beautifully with their space paintings. There were innumerable other things going on to and details of all these can be seen at

<http://www.bisb.org/project/world-space-week-junior-department/>

with more examples being added throughout next week.

After such an inspiring week the space theme is still very active and so all the pupils from the Junior Department will be visiting the European Space Expo on Monday 17th October. Further details of this can be found at;

[http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-](http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=8938&lang=en)

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The **School Photograph day** will be next week on Wednesday 12th October this year. If you wish to have a photograph taken as a family group then please let us know and we will try to schedule such photos as close to 09.00 as possible. There will be an opportunity afterwards to buy photographs taken then, including, individual, class and school photographs as well as family shots if you choose.

There will be a **joint Year 5 and Year 6 trip next Tuesday 11th October** with Mrs. Tranter and Mrs. Godwin taking the pupils in Years 5 and 6 to Tervuren Park on public transport. The trip links well to both of the current topic units. The children will be based in the woods in the park for the day and will take part in a range of activities in small groups.

The **weekly Coffee mornings** are now held every Friday at 09.00 in the Junior department library. 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 **talk topic homeworks** for next week are as follows:-

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| For Nursery | What country do you live in? What town or city do you live in and do you live in an apartment or a house? |
| For Reception | Why do firefighters need to wear protective clothing? What colour is a firefighters jacket in Belgium? |
| For Year 1 | Can you name some objects that feel soft? hard? rough? smooth? |
| For Year 2 | If you could visit one planet which one would it be and why? |
| For Year 3 | How do you think Space exploration will develop during the 21st century? |
| For Year 4 | Where would you take a space rocket and why? |
| For Year 5 | How do people around the world prepare for hurricanes and why are some destinations more at risk than others? |
| For Year 6 | Which topic would you chose for a future 'special' week? |

After the first meeting of the BISB book club this year, we have chosen to read **Labyrinth by Kate Mosse**. If you haven't already got your copy then you can still order via an on-line book supplier.

This week's star pupils of this week were:

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| Reception | Jasman for always being ready to listen to instructions at carpet time.
Marco for listening to and following instructions very well. |
| Year 1 | Anwitha – for being such a kind and helpful member of Year 1.
Tushar – for having a positive attitude towards his learning. |
| Year 2 | Mahee for her very positive attitude to school and her school work.
Tanvi for lovely reading this week |
| Year 3 | Aahil for listening well and always being ready to get down to work, concentrate and try hard.
Himanshu for making a big effort to organise himself, for joining in valiantly at basketball and for spectacular swimming. Well done! |
| Year 4 | Ayush for a highly Turner-esque Turner, even using the painter's own techniques
Aarika for exceptional behaviour, work ethic and art work |
| Year 5 | Rikhil for working extremely well with different groups of children and building positive relationships with others. |
| Year 6 | Ishita for her excellent work in Science. Her Science Journal is a |

treasure trove of detailed observations, diagrams and research.

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, was Saturday 17th September and therefore has now passed.

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

“If you would win a man to your cause, first convince him that you are his sincere friend.

- Abraham Lincoln

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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 17th October Junior Department will be visiting the European Space Expo on		
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