

Newsletter – 18 November 2016

Our next social and fun activity for parents and children will be **our Winter Crafts evening on Friday 9th December**. This will be in the Infant department from 18.00 – 20.00 but families from both departments are very welcome.

We are today saying **au revoir to Mrs Rutayisire**, our Year 1 teacher, as next week she will be starting her maternity leave. We wish her all the best for her and her family and the new arrival.

For the next few months Mr Tranter will be teaching the Year 1 class and Mrs Hauwaerts will be his classroom assistant.

If you want to see some great ideas about the supermarket of the future then you can see some of the **thoughts of our Year 5 and Year 6 children** at: <http://www.thewordmagazine.com/neighbourhood-life/school-children-talk-about-the-supermarket-of-the-future/> . They submitted contributions to 'The Word' magazine and they were so good that they were published as part of the main article. The children (and Mrs Tranter) should feel really proud of being published authors at such a young age.

Please note that the **Junior department music and drama production** this term will be taking place at the Lijsterbes Community Theatre on Monday, 12th December at 17.00.

The **Nursery performance** will be on Thursday 8th December at 11.30 in the Infant Department

The **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 show** will also be at the Lijsterbes theatre on Thursday December 1st at 17.00

Year 1 will be taking advantage of the normal Thursday coach trip for swimmers and tennis players to travel to the Wezembeek park to participate in their very own nature walk. They will return to school on the bus returning from the swimming pool in time for lunch.

This year as in previous years we would like to **support the Actie4kids program** in which people prepare a shoebox for children for Christmas. These shoeboxes go to underprivileged children in various parts of the world.

There is no obligation to take part but it is a practical way that children can be involved in giving to those less fortunate than themselves. If you and your children would like to take part we have the leaflets in school, in both buildings. They have very clear instructions and suggestions about the type of things to be included in the boxes. This year the organisers have specially requested boxes for boys as they normally receive a lot more for girls. If you

would like to take part please let us know and you can either call in to school to pick up a leaflet or we can put one into your child's folder.
We would need the boxes in school ready for delivery during the week from 28th November to 2nd December.

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 | In which month were you born ? How old will you be on your next birthday? |
| For Reception | Which is your favourite type of storm (e.g. snow, hail, rain, thunder, lightning or tornado) and can you have more than one of these in just one storm? |
| For Year 1 | What can you use computers for? |
| For Year 2 | Do you think all bees are really hard working? Why or why not? |
| For Year 3 | Where would you like to go on a journey, and how would you like to travel?" |
| For Year 4 | Who first inhabited or discovered your country? |
| For Year 5 | In what ways have you kept the culture of your home country alive in your current life in Belgium? |
| For Year 6 | Do you ever look up as you step into a lift? |

The next meeting of the BISB book club will be Book club held on Wednesday 11th January 2017. Please feel free to suggest a book to review then and send your suggestion into the school office before the end of next week.

This week's star pupils of this week were:

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| Reception | Aradhya for carefully making the bead raindrops for our storm display.
Yashika for her super singing during the winter show practices. |
| Year 1 | Anvi for good work in maths by using number facts to solve addition and subtraction problems.
Anum for using some great ideas in her Funnybones story. |
| Year 2 | Anjali for reciting her lines clearly and knowing when to say them.
Anoushka for good ideas for our dances |

- Year 3 Marina for putting a huge effort into her entry for the Space Scoop competition. Her comic strip was inventive and eye-catching.
Ayan for producing a great Space Scoop entry. His comic strip was original and distinctive.
- Year 4 Oskar for being on fraction fire!
Yatin for fine breakthroughs in swimming and maths.
- Year 5 Shaariq for always wanting to learn more! He is always ready with questions and demonstrates an enjoyment towards learning.
- Year 6 Abhiram for his outstanding computer programming progress with JavaScript

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

“If you take care of your character, your reputation will take care of itself”.

- American Proverb.

- Autumn Term 2016

Thursday November 24 th	Year 1 nature walk in park
Thursday December 1 st 17.00	Infant show for Years Reception 1 and 2
Thursday December 8 th 11.30	Nursery Show
Friday 9th December Infant department 18.00 – 20.00	Winter Crafts Evening
Monday December 12 th 17.00	Junior department show for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
Friday 16 th December 12.15	End of Term

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
- Friday, November 4, 2016

Half Term
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
- Friday, March 3, 2017

Half Term
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
Friday, May 26 2017

Ascension Public Holiday
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