

Don't forget that our next social and fun activity for parents and children is the **Winter Crafts evening which is taking place tonight**. This will be in the Infant department from 18.00 – 20.00 but families from both departments are very welcome. Proceeds will be going to to Banunule
<http://www.thebssg.org.uk/>

This term finishes on Friday, December 16th at 12.15 (12.20 for the Junior department) and the January term recommences on Wednesday January 4th. Please note that there will be no garderie service on Friday, December 16th and all children, apart from children using the school's minibus service, should be picked up at the time shown above on that day. If you are planning to take an unauthorised absence by leaving Brussels before the end of term or returning after the start of the spring term then please send an e-mail into the school office to let us know this. Parents can see what their child is missing by consulting the home school books as unfortunately teachers will not have the time to provide work to cover what a child might be missing.

As next week is going to be the **final week of this autumn term** there are no after school activities next week. The options for next term's clubs will be circulated in the first week next term

We all enjoyed this week's **Nursery performance** and we hope that all of the parents who were able to attend enjoyed it too. The children sang delightfully and many thanks must go to Mrs Davies and Mrs Tolentino who co-ordinated the show. The final show of this term will be the **Junior department music and drama production** and this will be taking place at the Lijsterbes Community Theatre on Monday, 12th December at 17.00. Just like the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children last week, the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 will go to the theatre directly from school at 13.00 and they will be provided with a snack at the theatre and will be picked up from the theatre by parents directly after the show at around 18.00.

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 Sunday 1st January. This is 90 days before Friday 31st March, the last day of the spring term.

There was not be a **weekly Coffee morning** today because the Friday coffee morning is being moved to the following Monday (Monday December 12th) This is because we are expecting several extra people to come along to assist with another seasonal project in the Studio room downstairs in the Junior department. Please feel free to come along to find out more.

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

- For Nursery What was your favourite song in our Christmas show?
For Reception What do you like most about Christmas?
For Year 1 What will you be doing during the Christmas Holidays?
For Year 2 What would you ask Santa if you met him?
For Year 3 What is your favourite myth or legend, and why?
For Year 4 What is your character in the play like? Are they like you?
For Year 5 What aspects of preparing The Nightingale show have you most enjoyed and why? Is there anything you have learned from the process?
For Year 6 What are you looking forward to doing during the Christmas holiday?

Parents should be aware that now we have only **6 Nursery places at BISB for September 2017**. Therefore if you are thinking about a possible place in the Nursery at any time before September 2018 then you should contact the school office immediately.

The **next meeting of the BISB book club** will be Book club held on Wednesday 11th January 2017. From several suggestions we have chosen to read and review 'Cold Comfort Farm' by Stella Gibbons. This is a very funny book and if you want to join in then you can order a book from one of the many online suppliers.

This week's star pupils of this week were:

- Reception Diya for her excellent self-portrait.
 Alex for confidently saying one more and one less than numbers up to fifteen.
- Year 1 Arnav for great work in Maths, choosing the correct coins to make different amounts of money.
 Thomas for his excellent drawings of the school from above and from outside.
- Year 2 Tanvi for wonderful creative ideas in her art
 Ayush for a super piece of creative writing
- Year 3 Sai for the effort and concentration he has put into his maths work this week. He tried really hard and persevered until he finished. Well done!
 Ayan for his enthusiastic participation and focus during the show rehearsals. He has tried his best to follow every instruction.
- Year 4 Sahasra for sensational writing and being Year 4 'bond to 100' boss
 Juliana for editing excellence: rereading, rethinking and rewriting
- Year 5 Shaariq for contributing so enthusiastically while the scenery for the

Year 6 show was made. He has been willing to help out with any job!
Aditya for producing a beautiful Korean bowl that he decorated
with examples of traditional Korean clothing.

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

“To be mature means to face, and not evade, every fresh crisis that comes”.

-]Fritz Kunkel

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Thursday December 1 st 17.00	Infant show for Years Reception 1 and 2
Monday December 5 th 09.00	Special Coffee Morning Junior department Studio
Monday December 5 th	French Christmas Assembly Junior department
Tuesday 6th December	Year 5 and 6 children visit to the Korean Cultural Centre
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 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