

## Newsletter – 16 December 2016

This has been the end of another fantastic term for the children at BISB. Today they also had a visit from Father Christmas and received a present (if they have been good). Next term recommences on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 so if you are returning to Brussels after the start of the spring term then please send an e-mail into the school office to let us know that you wish to take an unauthorised absence.

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 1<sup>st</sup> January. This is 90 days before Friday 31st March, the last day of the spring term.

The **weekly Coffee mornings** will recommence on a Friday in January and the first coffee morning of the spring term will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January. This will be another 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.

2016 has been a very active year for families wanting school places at BISB and we have in fact received a record number of applications throughout the year. The consequences of this are that we can see already that **most classes in the infant department will be full for September 2017**. Accordingly we will need to start sending out initial 10% invoices for 2017/18 for payment early in the New Year. This is the only way that we can ascertain who does and who does not wish to retain their school place for September and thereby we shall have better information to give to future enquirers. As always the second 10% payment will be in June, 2017.

The **next meeting of the BISB book club** will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017. 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.

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

“When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President. Now I'm beginning to believe it”.

- Clarence Darrow (1857 – 1938)

- Autumn Term 2016

Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>  
17.00

Junior department show for Years 3, 4,  
5 and 6

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 12.15**

**End of Summer Term**

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017