

Newsletter – 15 September 2017

Please let us know as soon as possible **if you think that you may be leaving BISB in this autumn term** i.e. any time up till December 2017. 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 16th September.

Last year we had a very successful and **popular Creative Dance activity** after school and so Silvia Pezzarossi has decided that it would be worthwhile to be at BISB for two afternoons each week and **also offer a Modern Dance activity on Monday afternoon for the children of the Junior department.**

We are lucky to have Silvia with us once again but we do need to have minimum numbers to make this club worthwhile so please do sign your children up to take advantage of this opportunity. During the sessions she will be aiming through Dance to create a playful and enjoyable time for the child through different learning activity games.

Last Tuesday evening we were very pleased to see an excellent number of parents who were able to come along for the **Curriculum briefing evening** to find out about what their child will be learning during the year. For all those parents who were not able to attend please let us know if you have not yet received the handouts associated with this evening.

Every child should now be attending school in full uniform every day. Please note that their **shoes should be smart brown, black or navy** and on PE and swimming days the children should come to school in green BISB jogging trousers, white t-shirt and green school jumper and they should wear trainers. It is also very important that all parents make sure that you have put your child's name into all items of clothing and then we can return lost items to their correct owner.

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 8th October at 14.00 and details about the location will be circulated nearer the time.

Year 3s trip to **Park Josaphat last Wednesday morning** had to be postponed because of the inclement weather so they are intending to go next Wednesday (Wednesday 20th September). This visit will link in with their Rocks and Fossils theme.

If your child is away from school for illness or for any other reason then we would appreciate receiving a short email explaining the situation. In this way we can see if there are any communicable illnesses in the school community.

Many thanks to all of the families who 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 this week please?

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 11th 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 What can you put in the "All about me" booklet?
- For Reception You are walking in a jungle, what do you see? How do you feel?
- For Year 1 Imagine you are a scuba diver. What would you see under the sea?
- For Year 2 Why do you think the fire spread so quickly in the Great fire of London?
- For Year 3 What do you think it would be like to be a scientist studying volcanoes
- For Year 4 What's the most amazing building you've ever seen? What made it so great?
- For Year 5 / 6 Which piece of work are you proud of this week?

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 processes and enters the new information.

This week's star pupils of this week were:

- Reception Suleiman for using the wow word 'carnivore'
Piyush for his quick responses during number work
- Year 1 Aarush for showing consistently excellent behaviour since starting at BISB.
Suansh for super work with number bonds to 10 and beyond.
- Year 2 Thomas for following instructions so well
Anika for being a good friend and helping her classmates
- Year 3 Hithaishi for the beautiful presentation and detailed information in

her volcano poster.

Netra for her responsible, kind and helpful attitude in the classroom.

Year 4 Aahil for cracking a maths investigation like no Year 4 before

Year 5 / 6 Anna for working extremely hard on her diamond project and researching a range of famous people and locations.

Bhargav for his outstanding work on our project 'Diamonds are Forever'; his essay about conflict diamonds was excellent.

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

"Nothing is so firmly believed as that which is least known."

- Francis Jeffrey (1773 - 1850)

-

Autumn Term 2017

Tuesday 12th September 19.00
In Infant & Junior departments

Curriculum Briefing

Wednesday 13th September

Year 3 trip to Park Josaphat

BISB School Calendar – Academic Year 2017 / 2018

Autumn Term

Monday, September 4, 2017

Start of Autumn Term

Monday, October 30, 2017
- Friday, November 3, 2017

Half Term
Break

Friday, December 15, 2017 at 15.30

End of Autumn Term

Spring Term

Monday, January 8, 2018

Start of Spring Term

Monday, February 12, 2018
- Friday, February 16, 2018

Half Term
Break

Friday, March 23, 2018 at 15.30

End of Spring Term

Monday, April 9, 2018

School Closed - Staff Training Day

Summer Term

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Start of Summer Term

Monday, April 30, 2018
Tuesday, May 1, 2018

Holiday
May Day Public Holiday

Thursday, May 10, 2018
Friday, May 11 2018

Ascension Public Holiday
Half Term Holiday

Monday, May 21, 2018

Pentecost Holiday

Friday June 29th 2018 at 12.15

End of Summer Term

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Monday, September 3rd, 2018