

## Newsletter –23 March 2018

Please note that the **90 day deadline** for informing the school in writing that you will be leaving at the end of this school year falls during the holiday on Saturday, 31st March. If you subsequently inform us of your departure for this school year after this date then the refundable deposit will be retained by the school.

The **parents evening for this coming term** will be on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April. These meetings will give parents the opportunity to hear and ask about the progress of their individual child. If you have any major restriction on your appointment time then please let us know before the appointments are distributed. This will be done in the second week of the summer term. The Nursery appointments will be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Parents may wish to make a note of the **dates for the summer shows** for parents, which are as follows

- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 and Year 2 show to be held in the Infant department at 14.30.
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 show to be held at De Lijsterbes theatre.
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Nursery and Reception show to be held in the Infant department.

These dates will continue to be available at the end of every newsletter throughout the summer term.

Mrs Irakoze will be with us for one week of the summer term before she starts her maternity leave. When she is away **Mr. Tranter will be taking the Reception class** for the remainder of this school year.

Whilst the Years 4, 5 and 6 children will be away at Rippledown House the **Year 2 children will be spending the week in the Junior department** to prepare them for when they become Year 3 in September. This means that our Year 2 children should be dropped off and picked up at the Junior department throughout this week (Monday 16th April to Friday 20th April).

We had a record number of parents attending our **Rippledown House information coffee morning** this morning and I trust that everyone received all of the information and answers to any questions that they may have had.

Could we ask that parents let us know as a matter of urgency **if any of your contact details have changed since the start of the school year** and the school has not yet been informed? If you have a new phone number, or new

address, or email address the please let us know straight away by sending an email to [schooloffice@bisb.org](mailto:schooloffice@bisb.org) .

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

- For Nursery Have you or your mummy or daddy ever seen a Dinosaur?!"Ask them to help you draw a picture of your favourite dinosaur and bring it in to show us, after the break.
- For Reception During the holidays, what signs of spring did you notice?
- For Year 1 What can you find in a garden?
- For Year 2 If you could choose, where would you like to go on holiday?
- For Year 3 How can I make the most of the Easter holidays?
- For Year 4 Which 5 questions would you like to ask your Prezi biography sportsperson if you were face-to-face?
- For Year 5 / 6 Are you able to keep a secret?

For all those families **paying fees by Domiciliation each month** please note that the target date for the amounts to be taken automatically from your account is always the 3rd of each month.

Parents may wish to be aware that **children under 12 attending school in Brussels are entitled to travel for free on the Brussels public transport system**. However to do this they must have their own MOBIB card which costs 5 € and then load it with a free subscription J (abonnement J). They then use it every time they enter a bus, tram or metro. More information can be obtained from BISB or [www.stib.brussels](http://www.stib.brussels) .

This week's star pupils of this week were:

- Reception Anirudh for making excellent progress in phonics.  
Sanvi for doing very well in her reading assessment.
- Year 1 Fiza for being brave and trying hard in swimming lessons.  
Mohith for super confident speaking in show and tell.
- Year 2 Anika for fantastic progress in reading.  
Anwitha for great effort in literacy this week.
- Year 3 Kashvi for her fantastic concentration during story times and her vivid, imaginative writing.  
Tanvi for her calm concentration in our maths tests and her excellent checking skills.
- Year 4 Marina for charming the 'Lady on the bus' with her language skills and for her biography enthusiasm.
- Year 5 / 6 Anna for her excellent essay about Alex Rider - is this really the same student who could not speak English 6 months ago?  
Shaariq for designing a website using HTML for his presentation about Anthony Blunt - inspirational!

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

“Never let your sense of morals get in the way of doing what's right.”

- Isaac Asimov

## Spring Term 2018

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Junior Department adventure assembly  
Parc Cinquantenaire.

## Summer Term 2018

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April

Year 4, 5 and 6 residential trip  
to Rippledawn House

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April

Year 2 class to be in Junior department  
all week

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Outdoor Learning Week

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Inter School Football and Netball tournaments

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June  
10.00

Year 3 trip to La Montagne Magique  
to see Bizar

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June  
14.30

Year 1 and Year 2 show to be held in the  
Infant department.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June  
17.00

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 show to be held  
De Lijsterbes theatre

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June  
11.30

Nursery and Reception show to be held in the  
Infant department.

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 29<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 12.15**

**End of Summer Term**

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018