

Newsletter – 27 April 2018

Please don't forget that the **school is closed on Monday and Tuesday** for the May Day holiday. We look forward to seeing you all again on Wednesday 2nd May.

As a reminder, if parents arrive at the infant department after 09.10 this is too late and so the children are then not allowed into school until 10.15 to avoid disturbing the other children. Similarly parents are not allowed into school after 08.55 so that they do not restrict a smooth start to the school day. More generally we are trying to develop greater independence amongst our younger children, so **we would recommend that at this stage of the school year, parents do not need to come into school at all in the mornings** unless they have an appointment to meet with a teacher.

If you or your children are likely to be **out and about in the woods or grassy areas at this time of year** parents should be aware that that ticks are about. Therefore please check yourself and your child after such a visit to make sure that they are not carrying a tick which can bury into the skin. If you think that you have found a tick then please visit your doctor to ensure that it is removed properly.

We have realised that our initial date for International day of June 2nd was in the middle of the Holy Month of Ramadan Accordingly we have considered this and decided to **move International Day to its new date** which will be Saturday, June 16th.

We shall be hosting our **Flower Power Coffee and Crafts morning** on Saturday 5th May from 10.00 to 12.00. There will be lots of flower crafts to make and face painting so do come along to the Infant department and join in the fun. Everybody is very welcome.

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

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

These dates are available at the end of each newsletter throughout the summer term.

Could we ask that parents let us know **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 .

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

- For Nursery What does the word extinct mean and why are some animals now extinct or are in danger of becoming extinct?
- For Reception What sorts of creatures live in, on or near water?
- For Year 1 We are going to write our own stories based on 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. What do you like to eat when you are hungry?
- For Year 2 What was the most interesting fact you learnt about dinosaurs this week?
- For Year 3 Why is it so important to play and work as a team?
- For Year 4 What were your 2 finest achievements at Rippledawn and this week too?
- For Year 5 / 6 Would you describe yourself as a 'Fred' or a 'Con'?

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.

This week's star pupils of this week were:

- Reception Akshita for super writing of all the sounds that we have learnt.
Suleiman for his amazing knowledge of so many different creatures.
- Year 1 Lucas for good observations in maths on the capacity of different containers.
Pranav for good writing based on the story of the bad tempered ladybird.
- Year 2 Aditya for super work in Numeracy
Anwitha for very good effort and a lovely information text on T-Rex this week
- Year 3 Anjali for the efficient and diplomatic way in which she is organizing and managing her cricket team.
Hithaishi for her great prediction skills and excellent detective work on our new book .
- Year 4 Swarnima for her 'Eureka' moment about Forces in Science
Maanas for his excellent prior knowledge about Forces
- Year 5 / 6 Deepesh for being an excellent 'Rippler' . He displayed maturity, determination and a terrific positive attitude throughout the week!
Divgun for being an outstanding 'Rippler'. Mature, thoughtful, organised and supportive to the younger pupils - you are a gem!

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

“The best way to teach your kids about taxes is by eating 30% of their ice cream.”

- Bill Murray

Summer Term 2018

Tuesday 24 th April	Parents Evening 16.00 – 19.00
Wednesday 25 th April	Parents Evening 16.00 – 19.00
Saturday 5 th May 10.00 – 12.00	Flower Power – our floral themed Coffee and Craft Morning in the Infant department
Monday 28 th May Friday 1 st June	Outdoor Learning Week
Friday 1 st June	Inter School Football and Netball tournaments
Tuesday 12 th June 10.00	Year 3 trip to La Montagne Magique to see Bizar
Thursday 14 th June 14.30	Year 1 and Year 2 show to be held in the Infant department.
Saturday 16 th June	International Day
Monday 25 th June 17.00	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 show to be held De Lijsterbes theatre
Wednesday 27 th 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 29th 2018 at 12.15

End of Summer Term

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