

## Newsletter – 1 June 2018

We are very pleased to announce that **Mayank Gudimetla** of Year 5 spent last weekend **representing the Belgium Under 13 National Cricket team** (despite being only 10 years old) and played two days of cricket (4 matches) vs Switzerland and Luxembourg Under 13 teams. Belgium were successful in winning the cup and we are all very proud of Mayank and his unique achievement.



This week has been a very successful **Outdoor Learning Week** in school involving a lot of inter-class working throughout the school. On most of the class webpages there are photographs showing what has taken place both in and outside school, and what fun the children have had.

Today, Friday June 1<sup>st</sup>, BISB enjoyed another participation in the Benelux **annual sports tournament for International Schools**. Our netball team was slightly overwhelmed by teams from the larger schools but our footballers performed creditably with our Year 3 / 4 team doing particularly well. Results should be appearing on the website early next week.

Don't forget that on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 15:25 the Junior department will host the first **Phoenix v Unicorn cricket match**. The second match will be taking place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June, exactly one week later, again at 15.25. Details about who will be playing on each day will be sent out shortly.

We need to inform you that we have one **confirmed case of headlice** in the Junior Department. We would suggest that you please make your own personal check of your children's hair and, if needed, consult with your chemist/pharmacist where you will be able to purchase a fine-toothed comb especially for removing lice and their eggs. It is important for everybody to check their children's hair regularly to prevent the lice spreading. It is important to inform the school if you do discover that your child has headlice and then we can all cooperate to prevent further spreading.

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June the **Year 4 class are planning to go on the swimming coach to be dropped off at the park for an hour**, to do some orienteering and mini raft building. They will also return to school on the swimming coach.

**The calendar for the next school year, 2018 / 19** is attached at the end of this newsletter and so will be included in each newsletter from now on until June 2019. The calendar incorporates a change for next year's Parent-Teacher interviews. We have decided to include two days when the school will not be

open to children with the day being specifically devoted to appointments for teachers to discuss each child's progress with the parent. These will be on Friday, October 26, 2018, which is the day before the autumn term half term break and also on Friday, April 5, 2019, which is the day after the end of the spring term.

Don't forget that our **International Day celebration**, when we celebrate the many nationalities represented at BISB (around 25 at the last count) will this year be on Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>.

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

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

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| For Nursery    | Tell your mummy and daddy all about your hobby horse. How do you ride it? What did you call it?                     |
| For Reception  | What things will you need to explore the oceans?  |
| For Year 1     | In the story we are going to read, 'Superworm' helps lots of other creatures. What can you do to help other people? |
| For Year 2     | Which part of Outdoor Learning Week did you enjoy the most?   |
| For Year 3     | What would I do to make the city greener and more child-friendly?   |
| For Year 4     | Why was what you did on Friday so special?  |
| For Year 5 / 6 | Am I supporting my fellow actors in our forthcoming production?   |

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, but in June we shall be a couple of days latter than this due to the sheer number of new invoices being issued..

This week's star pupils of this week were:

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| Reception | DB for sharing her excellent knowledge of the planets.<br>KG for her improving contribution to class discussions. |
| Year 1    | HK for making good progress with telling the time.  |

- Year 2 MD for writing lots of good questions in our grammar lesson.  
AT for great cutting skills and a lovely hat  
SB for great work in phonics this week.
- Year 3 WB for his excellent horse construction and for being so kind with his nursery partner.  
RJ for his responsible, helpful attitude in and out of the classroom, and for the effort he puts into improving his already excellent work.
- Year 4 MC for faultlessly learning lyrics and lines to both school and outside shows with equal commitment and quality  
TB for a fantastic attitude in really wanting to improve and a great performance in orienteering
- Year 5 / 6 MG for representing Belgium U13 National Cricket team and winning the cup – we are very proud of your achievement, M.  
AD for putting so much effort into the construction of his raft and making a great animation film!

Because of the new GDPR regulations we are not yet able to use the names of children who are successful at achieving ‘star of the week’ as we need parental permission of everybody to do this, We are in the process of acquiring this permission.

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

“We improve ourselves by victories over ourself. There must be contests, and you must win.”

- Edward Gibbon

## Summer Term 2018

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Inter School Football and Netball tournaments – BISB is fielding 2 football and 1 netball teams at BSB.
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.
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	International Day
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	Year 2 visit to the farm in Genval
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

BISB School Calendar – Academic Year 2018 / 2019

**Autumn Term**

**Monday, September 3, 2018**

**Start of Autumn Term**

Wednesday, September 12 Curriculum Briefing Evening

Friday, October 26, 2018 School Closed – Parents' Appointments Day

Monday, October 29, 2018 Half Term  
- Friday, November 2, 2018 Break

**Friday, December 21, 2018 at 12.15** **End of Autumn Term**

**Spring Term**

**Monday, January 7, 2019**

**Start of Spring Term**

Friday, March 1, 2019 School Closed – Staff Training Day

Monday, March 4, 2019 Half Term  
- Friday, March 8, 2019 Break

**Thursday, April 4, 2019**

**End of Spring Term**

Friday, April 5, 2019 School Closed – Parents' Appointments Day

**Summer Term**

**Tuesday, April 23, 2019**

**Start of Summer Term**

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 May Day Public Holiday

Thursday, May 30, 2019 Ascension Public Holiday  
Friday, May 31 2019 Half Term Holiday

Monday, June 10, 2019 Pentecost Holiday

**Friday June 28<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 12.15** **End of Summer Term**

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019