

Newsletter – 26 October 2018

We are this year once again supporting the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal which is designed to commemorate and help the many casualties of war. These artificial poppies are worn by many people throughout the UK and Commonwealth countries leading up to Armistice Day on November 11th. A box of poppies and a collection tin is located in the entrance hall of both the Infant department and the Junior department. **Please feel free to place some coins in the collection tin to make your donation and then you can take a poppy or a bracelet to wear.**

We trust that each parent had an informative Parent - Teacher Appointments Day today and if there are any comments on the format that parents would like to make then please feel free to send in any comments to the school office.

To link with their Fairy-tales; Science: habitats; and Numeracy topics, the Year 4 class will take part in the annual **Year 4 Walk Through The Forest** with map and compass through the Foret de Soignes, Wednesday 14th November.

We shall be hosting an **Autumn and Diwali Craft evening** on Friday 16th November from 18.00 to 20.00 in the infant department but open to children throughout the school. This will be great fun for all family members so please make a note in your diaries now.

We are organising a chance to enjoy the Autumnal colours in the woods for all parents, children and members of staff and this will be on Sunday 25th November. This **'Walk in the Woods' event** will take place from 14.00 to 16.00 and will not be too strenuous so all children attending the school will be able to participate. Exact details of the starting point will be circulated nearer the date and we look forward to seeing you all then,

The **weekly Coffee mornings** are held every Friday morning at 09.00 in the Junior department library, starting next Friday. 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 **talk topic homeworks** for next week are as follows:-

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| For Nursery | Why is it important to take turns and share with your friends? |
| For Reception | Tell us about your autumn break and the most fun things that you did during your week off from school! |
| For Year 1 | what is your favourite smell? |
| For Year 2 | What can I do to make the most of a whole week's holiday? |
| For Year 3 | The artist Van Gogh painted the things that were important to |

- him. What is important to you? What would you chose to paint?
- For Year 4 Would you recommend Sortilege to other children? Explain why/why not?
- For Year 5 Do you think Kensuke was right to remain on the island and not go back to Japan? Discuss.
- For Year 6 What would you like to ask Olivia?

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. However for November the third is a Saturday so the transactions will take place on the next working day which is Monday November 5th.

This week's star of the week is our Year 1 teacher, Mr. Tranter, for growing a magnificent range of pumpkins in his garden over the last 12 months and nurturing them carefully before bringing them into school for Pumpkin Week. Well Done !

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

“If knowledge can create problems, it is not through ignorance that we can solve them.”

- Isaac Asimov

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Autumn Term 2018

Monday October 22 nd	Start of Pumpkin Week
Tuesday October 23 rd	Year 4 trip to SORTILEGE the adventure experience
Wednesday October 24 th	Dressing up day for Pumpkin Week
Friday, October 26 th	School Closed to children for Parent - Teacher Appointments Day
<i>Monday, October 29, 2018 - Friday, November 2, 2018</i>	<i>Half Term Break</i>
Tuesday November 6 th	Year 1 trip to the park, to look for signs of Autumn.
Monday November 12 th	Visit by Year 3 and 5 children to the Van Gogh immersive experience at the Bourse at De Broukere
Wednesday November 14 th	Year 4 map and compass walk through the Foret de Soignes,
Friday November 16 th 18.00 – 20.00	Autumn & Diwali Craft evening
Sunday November 25 th 14.00 – 16.00	Walk in the Woods
Thursday, 29th November	Year 6 theatre trip to see ‘Hamlet’ by William Shakespeare

BISB School Calendar – Academic Year 2018 / 2019

Autumn Term

Monday, September 3, 2018

Start of Autumn Term

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

Monday, October 29, 2018
- Friday, November 2, 2018

Half Term
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
- Friday, March 8, 2019

Half Term
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
Friday, May 31 2019

Ascension Public Holiday
Half Term Holiday

Monday, June 10, 2019

Pentecost Holiday

Friday June 28th 2019 at 12.15

End of Summer Term

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Monday, September 2nd, 2019