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## BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL WROCLAW

# NEWSLETTER

## WEEKLY SCHOOL INFORMATION, EVENTS AND NEWS



## ISSUE 11 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November

Dear Parents and visitors to our website,

First of all a big thanks to all parents who were able to attend the parent/teacher meetings last week, I hope the feedback you received gave you some clear feedback on your child's progress.

Following last week's tragic incidents in Paris I thought I would like to share a small tale that illustrates man's inhumanity to man.....

A ship was wrecked during a storm at sea and only two men on it were able to swim to a small, desert like island. The two survivors who are good friends, not knowing what else to do agreed that they had no other recourse but to pray to God for help, however, to find out whose prayers were more powerful, they agreed to divide the territory between them and stay on opposite sides of the island. The first thing they prayed for was food. The next morning, the first man saw a fruit-bearing tree on his side of the land, and he

was able to eat its fruit. The other man's piece of land remained empty. After a week, the first man was lonely and he decided to pray for a wife. The next day, another ship was wrecked, and the only survivor was a woman who swam to his side of the land. On the other side of the island, there was nothing. Soon the first man prayed for a house, clothes, and more food. The next day, like magic, all of these were given to him. However, the second man still had nothing. Finally, the first man prayed for a ship, so that he and his wife could leave the island. In the morning, he found a ship docked at his side of the island. The first man boarded the ship with his wife and decided to leave the second man on the island. He considered the other man unworthy to receive God's blessings, since none of his prayers had been answered. As the ship was about to leave, the first man heard a voice from heaven shouting, "Why are you leaving your companion on the island?" "My blessings are mine alone, since I was the one who prayed for them," the first

man answered. "His prayers were all unanswered and so he does not deserve anything." "You are mistaken!" the voice rebuked him. "He had only one prayer, which I answered. If not for that, you would not have received any of my blessings." "Tell me," the first man asked the voice, "What did he pray for that I should owe him anything?" "He prayed that all your prayers be answered" was the reply.

Man's inhumanity to man is often boundless, and as a school it is our duty to try to guide our students on a life's course in direct opposition to this, we aim for a goal where in fact a child's humanity is boundless.

To conclude this week please receive my apologies for the delay in opening our new sports pitch, as is often the case the wheels and cogs of bureaucracy have left the matter outside our direct control.



Best regards,  
Wayne Billington  
Head of School



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				20 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m.  Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.	21	22
23 Primary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m.  Book Fair  PTA Crafts morning  Primary Staff Meeting 3.45p.m.	24 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. library  Book Fair	25 Foundation Round Table 8.30a.m. dining room  Savoury Snack Day Year 3	26	27 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m.  Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.  PTA Christmas Bazaar	28	29
30 Primary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m.	1 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. library	2 Primary Round Table 8.30a.m. dining room	3 Secondary Staff Meeting 3.45p.m.	4 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m.  Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.  Year 1 trip to Glinolandia	5	6
7 Primary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m.	8 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. library	9 Secondary Round Table 8.30a.m. dining room	10 Secondary School Christmas Concert	11 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m.  Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.	12	13

### REMINDERS FOR PARENTS



Please take care when parking around the school.

Avoid blocking entrances to neighbours' houses and driveways.

**DO NOT PARK ON THE ZEBRA CROSSINGS!**

1. Mr Hae Sung Lee, our Korean Coordinator is available:

**Monday** 8:00-8:30 / 10:10-10:30 / 11:20-13:40

**Tuesday** 8:00-8:30 / 10:10-10:30 / 11:20-13:50

**Wednesday** 8:00-8:30 / 10:10-13:50

**Thursday** 8:00-8:30 / 10:10-12:10 / 15:00-15:30

**Friday** 13:20-15:30

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2. School doctor is available for Parents and Staff on Thursdays from 10.00a.m. till 12.05p.m.

(G8 room, big villa)

3. We would like to remind all parents that they should label their children's BISC uniforms, as sometimes the clothing items are left behind in the playground. A name label makes the

identification process much faster and easier : )

4. We have new ECA clubs for our Secondary students:

Maths Homework Club with Ms Justyna Zając and Maths Kangaroo Club with Ms Justyna Połowska.

More details on page 3.

Thank you Ladies : )

5. Euro 26 ID Cards are ready. Please see Ms Marlena (school office, small villa) for more details.

6. Dear Parents,  
Please note that the hockey club has been cancelled from the upcoming Wednesday (25<sup>th</sup> November) week due to both Mr Peter and Mr Maciek's busy schedule.

## Extra Curricular Activities 2015/2016

ECA	TEACHER	AGE GROUP	WHERE	WHEN
English for Parents : ) Intermediate group	Ewa Gołąbek	Parents : )	S2 room big villa	Mondays 2.00p.m. – 3.25p.m.
Short animated movie Club	Sławomir Czerwiński	Secondary	S3 room big villa	Tuesdays 1.00p.m. – 1.40p.m.
Polish for Parents : ) Intermediate group	Hanna Savel	Parents : )	S3 room big villa	Tuesdays 1.50p.m. – 3.25p.m.
English language support	Joanna Schier	Primary	Year 6 Jaguars room small villa	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Primary Orchestra	Maciej Posłuszny	Y4 – Y6	G11 room big villa	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Discussion Club	Jennifer Jones	Y2 – Y3	Year 3 Foxes room small villa	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Polish for Beginners	Anna Łoboziak	Y1-Y2	Year 2 Butterflies room Small villa	Tuesdays 3.45p.m. – 4.45p.m.
Kendo Club	Takaharu Uesugi	Y1 upwards	Dębowa Gym Dębowa 9b	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.45p.m.
Basketball Club (Boys and Girls)	Marcin Kwasiuk	Y6 – Y13	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Tuesdays 4.00p.m. - 5.20p.m.
Swimming	Marcin Kwasiuk	Y1 upwards Intermediate & Advanced	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Tuesdays 5.20p.m. – 6.05p.m.
Maths Club	Anna Witańska	Primary	Year 4 Shoebills room small villa	Wednesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Homework Club	Alexandra Turner	Primary	Year 3 Otters room small villa	Wednesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Polish for Parents : ) Beginners	Hanna Savel	Parents : )	S1 room big villa	Wednesdays 1.50p.m. – 3.25p.m.
Football Club	Marcin Kwasiuk	Y1 – Y9	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19 (all weather Sport's pitch outside of the school)	Wednesdays 4.00p.m. – 5.30p.m.
Chess Club	Alex Sitkowiecki and Bogdan Piątkowski	Secondary	S1 room big villa	Thursdays 1.15p.m. – 1.35p.m.
SingStar Club	Jakub Stefaniszyn	Secondary	G6 room big villa	Thursdays 1.15p.m. – 1.40p.m.
English for Parents : ) Pre Intermediate	Iwona Sokołowska	Parents : )	G10 room big villa	Thursdays 2.00p.m. – 3.25p.m.
Maths Homework Club	Justyna Połowska	Secondary	F3 room big villa	Thursdays 3.40p.m. – 4.25p.m.
Maths Kangaroo Club	Justyna Zając	Secondary	F2 room big villa	Thursdays 3.40p.m. – 4.25p.m.
Swimming	Karolina Kałużka	Y1 upwards Beginners	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Thursdays 5.20p.m. – 6.05p.m.
Musical Performance Club	Jakub Stefaniszyn	Secondary	G11 room big villa	Fridays 3.30p.m. – 4.40p.m.
Basketball Club	Marcin Kwasiuk	Y1- Y5	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Fridays 4.00p.m. – 5.20p.m.
Swimming	Marcin Kwasiuk	Y1 upwards Intermediate & Advanced	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Fridays 5.20p.m. – 6.05p.m.

## News from Head of Primary



This week the Primary school began preparing for the Christmas Concerts. It is my pleasure to inform you that this year we are going to perform in the local Centre for Culture at Powstańców Śląskich (we used the venue in the previous years). The youngest children from Foundation are going to perform in the Foundation Unit on Monday 14<sup>th</sup>

December at 14:30. The first primary Concert for Years 1-3 will be held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 1:30, while the second Concert (Years 4-6) will be organised on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30.

Many thanks to all the Parents who signed the slips allowing us to check the children by the school doctor. At the same time I am appealing to other Parents to do the same. As a school we do need regular check-ups in order to eliminate head lice from our community.

Another reminder – merrier one this time – please feel invited to come to our Book Fair. It will be held in the big villa's hall on Monday and Tuesday next week. Let us start the Christmas shopping frenzy!

The Friday enjoyed our assembly and the performance of Year 1 Rabbits. The Stars of the Week certificates were given to the following students:

Foundation Bees – Elodie  
Foundation Turtles – Luke  
Year 1 Rabbits – Kyu Min, Eric, Antton  
Year 2 Butterflies – Cameron  
Year 3 Otters – Mythri, Minsol  
Year 3 Foxes – Yash  
Year 4 Shoebills – Lieselotte  
Year 5 Kangaroos – So Yeong  
Year 5 Ravens - Sihyeon  
Year 6 Jaguars – Yun Sol

Congratulations to all the hard working Stars!

Wishing you a nice weekend,

Anna Witańska  
Head of Primary

## News from Head of Secondary



Dear parents and students,

Our girls basketball team was outstanding at Wednesday's tournament. They won both games which put them in first place! All of our girls played hard and each contributed in ways that kept our team on top. Sun Young's performance in both games was outstanding with four 3-point shots made in the final game!

In other news, year 11 students in their ICT class are preparing for the IGCSE practical exam. They have been answering the Cambridge exam board's sample questions on web page writing. Everyone managed the task just fine in the end. The difficulty is that it took the group three hours to complete it when they will only be given 30 minutes on the IGCSE exam in May. More practice will be given to help reduce completion time.

Year 11 finished up a chemistry unit in their Science class as well. They have been learning the rates of various chemical reactions and how to change the rate by adjusting the variables. Rates can change due to temperature of the reactants, surface area of the solid used, and by changing the concentration of the solution.

Mock exams for all IGCSE subject areas will be held in January, and this will help students to prepare for the official exams in May and June. The completion of each test paper within the given amount of time will be one of the main areas of focus during the mock exam week.

Enjoy your weekend,

Joe Peck  
Head of Secondary

## Spotlight on Year 8

Last year, Y 7 students in their Spotlight On, wrote a Questionnaire which described them and their interests. This time, one year later, they have decided to approach the same topic one more time, however, they have changed the format a bit. Below you can read a set of riddle descriptions, each one refers to a different Y8 student and was done by his/ her class mate. Try to guess who is who?

We hope you will have fun and maybe you will discover something new about students you can see every day at school.

Anna Kawczyńska  
Year 8 Form Tutor

1

This person is European.  
This person has long hair.  
This person can speak Polish.  
This person's hair colour is blond.

This is .....

2

This person is quite new to our school.  
She enjoys playing sports and she is good at it.  
She has a sister.  
This person owns an iPhone.  
This person is very pretty and kind.  
This person tries to communicate  
with the rest of the class even though this person  
is new to the English language.  
This person is quite short but not the shortest in class.  
This person is very clever too and gets good grades  
and doesn't cause trouble in classes.

This is .....

3

This person has long and straight hair.  
This person is Asian.  
This person likes dancing.  
This person is 3rd tallest in the class.  
This person is also 2nd oldest in the class.  
This person doesn't have any brothers.  
This person can play piano.  
This person is very cheerful.

This is .....

4

This person is a girl.  
She comes from European country  
where the pizza was invented.  
She has long and dark hair  
like ¾ of the people in the class.  
This person has earrings.  
This person laughs a lot.

This is .....

5

This person has come from a country  
that is smaller than Poland.  
This person can speak English  
and is currently learning French at school.  
This person does not have glasses.  
This person was born in 2003.  
This person is friendly and kind.  
This person has a sister.  
This person was in Y6 Platypus class two years ago.

This is .....

6

This person likes  
science and is very clever.  
This person really likes football  
and is the goal keeper.  
This person is friends with girls.  
This person is tall, studies a lot before tests.  
This person is from the country which  
is famous for Kimchi and Kimbaps.

This is .....



# Spotlight on Year 8

7

This person is clever and cheeky,  
makes people laugh,  
enjoy sports:  
basketball, volleyball and football.  
This person has a French bulldog,  
has a brother,  
her BFF is Iris.  
She laughs a LOT!

This is .....

8

This person is a girl.  
She laughs a lot.  
She is Asian, she is from an island country.  
She sometimes wear glasses.  
She plays basketball.  
She has braces.  
She is learning French at school.

This is .....

9

This person likes drawing  
and is good at drawing.  
This person is from the country  
where Hyundai, LG and Samsung comes from.  
This person has a younger brother.  
This person plays hockey very well  
and is good at math.  
This person doesn't wear glasses and is clever.

This is .....

10

This person is good at sport.  
This person is tall.  
This person is from country which  
is good at making phones and TVs.  
This person is always hard-working.  
This person likes eating.  
This person is good at dancing.  
This person has long hair.

This is .....

11

This person is good at singing.  
This person is short.  
This person can play the guitar.  
This person has two sisters.  
This person is good at drawing (comics).  
This person likes physics.  
This person likes football.

This is .....

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This person is here the longest of us.  
This person is from a country famous for "pierogi".  
This person has got a sister here at BISC.  
This person likes to ride a bike.  
This person has a dog.  
This person does not like the noise.



1. Nadia 2. Su Jin 3. Min Young 4. Ginevra 5. Gayeon 6. Dong Min 7. Lena 8. Luna 9. Chae Yeon 10. Chan Young 11. Etienne 12. Ms Anna

# DYPLOM



**WROCŁAWSKI** Szkolny Związek Sportowy



DLA

**GIMNAZJUM BISC  
WE WROCŁAWIU**

ZA ZAJĘCIE



MIEJSCA

**W FINALE STREFY CENTRUM  
GIMNAZJADY MŁODZIEŻY  
W KOSZYKÓWCE DZIEWCZĄT**



KOORDYNATOR STREFY CENTRUM

*David Mikoś*  
DAWID MIKOŚ

WROCŁAW, 18.11.2015 R.



## Bake-A-Cake or Savoury Snack Dates:

Please Note: Due to expected tests and exams for Years 10-13 there are changes in the dates for Bake-A-Cake or Savoury Days.

Year 3 Foxes and Otters	November 25, 2015
Year 4 Shoebills	December 9, 2015
Year 5 Ravens	April 27, 2016
Year 5 Kangaroos	May 11, 2016
Year 6 Jaguars	February 10, 2016
Year 7	March 2, 2016
Year 8	March 16, 2016
Year 9	April 13, 2016
Year 10 & 11	January 13, 2016
Year 12 & 13	January 27, 2016



## PTA announcements:

There are a few important events coming up:

- 1) Crafts morning on Monday, November 23 – making Christmas tree decorations for the charity collection and crafts for decorating the school
- 2) Christmas bazaar on Friday, November 27
- 3) School decoration for the beginning of Advent

Everybody is very welcome to join. Please follow announcements for further, more detailed information.

## **2. Call for ideas – fund-raising for charity during the Advent time:**

We would like to invite parents to think about potential recipients of the Christmas charity collection. Please send your suggestions of potential recipients to PTA e-mail address [pta@bisc.wroclaw.pl](mailto:pta@bisc.wroclaw.pl) by November 20, 2015.

## **3. Call for Class Mums/Dads:**

The following classes are still missing their Class Mums / Dads: Y3 Otters, Y3 Foxes, Y4 Shoebills, Y5 Ravens, Y5 Kangaroos, Y6 Jaguars, Y 8, Y10, Y11, Y12, Y13. Please apply to [pta@bisc.wroclaw.pl](mailto:pta@bisc.wroclaw.pl)



# Lunch Menu November 2015

Dear Parents,

Below please find a few details about our lunch ordering system:

1. Lunches for the upcoming week can be ordered in the secretary's office (small villa) from Monday till Thursday.
2. You can choose between the polish, Italian and vegetarian menu.
3. In case of child's absence, please inform school's office on the same day by phone (71 79 66 861) or e-mail ([wroclaw@bisc.krakow.pl](mailto:wroclaw@bisc.krakow.pl)) before 9a.m. Depending on your request, order will be cancelled or moved for the next week.
4. The orders are accepted together with the payment only.
5. Menu for the following month will be posted on the information boards in both villas and also in our weekly newsletter.
6. The cost for one lunch is 12PLN.

Date	POLISH MENU		ITALIAN MENU	VEGETARIAN MENU
23.11.2015	Cucumber soup	Roast loin braised with herbs , gravy , grits , salads	Spaghetti Bolognese	Fried eggs, potatoes, salad
24.11.2015	pumpkin cream soup	Stuffed cabbage with meat with brown rice and tomato sauce	Gnocchi with cheese sauce	Stuffed cabbage with vegetables , brown rice and tomato sauce
25.11.2015	Cream of celery soup with croutons	Lasagna with tomato sauce	Lasagna with Bolognese sauce	Cutlets zucchini , grits sauce , salad
26.11.2015	broth with pasta	Beans cooked with rosemary Italian sausage and tomatoes, bread wholemeal	Pizza Margherita	Beans cooked with rosemary and tomatoes, bread wholemeal
27.11.2015	Soup with fresh vegetables , potatoes and buckwheat groats	Baked salmon , steamed vegetables	omelet with ham	Baked potatoes steamed vegetables
30.11.2015	Italian soup Minestrone	pork meatballs,groats, salad	Fusili pasta , meat balls (pork) with tomato sauce, bread, salad	Buckwheat porridge with vegetable sauce and chickpeas
01.12.2015	Ukrainian borsch	Dumplings with meat (pork) and vegetable sauce , salad	Gnocchi with cheese sauce, bread, salad	Noodles with vegetables sauce
02.12.2015	Cauliflower soup	Turkey fillet, potatos, vegetables ,salad	Penne with chicken and mozzarella , vegetables,bread, salad	Penne with mozzarella , vegetables
03.12.2015	Sour Soup	Pork steak, potatos, salad	omelet with ham bread, salad	Fried eggs, potatoes, salad
04.12.2015	barley soup with vegetables	Russian dumplings	Farfalle with tuna, olives and mozzarella, vegetables, bread	Russian dumplings

**\*juice and dessert to each menu**

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(Weekly Winner)



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# AROUND BISC WROCŁAW



A brief introduction to parents at BISC Wrocław