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Dear Parents and visitors to our website,

Sometimes we forget the people that have assisted us on our lives path...

One young academically excellent young man went to apply for a managerial position in a big company. He passed the first interview; the director did the last interview, and made the final decision. The director discovered from the CV that the boy's academic achievements were excellent all the way, from secondary school until the postgraduate research.

The director asked, "Did you obtain any scholarships in school?" The youth answered "none". The director asked, "Was it your father who paid for your school fees?" The youth answered, "My father passed away when I was one year old, it was my mother who paid for my school fees". The director asked, "Where did your mother work?" The youth answered, "My mother worked as laundress." The director requested the youth to show him his hands, the youth showed a pair of hands that were smooth and perfect". The director asked, "Have you ever helped your mother wash the clothes before?" The youth answered, "Never, my mother always wanted me to study and read

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more books. Furthermore, my mother can wash clothes faster than me". The director said, "I have a request. When you go back today, go and bathe your mother's hands, and then see me tomorrow morning".

The youth felt that his chance of landing the job was high. When he went back home, he happily requested his mother to let him clean her hands. His mother felt strange, happy but with mixed feelings, she showed her hands to the boy. The youth cleaned his mother's hands slowly. His tears fell as he did so. It was the first time he noticed that his mother's hands were so wrinkled, and there were so many bruises on her hands. Some bruises were so painful that his mother shivered when they were cleaned with water. This was the first time the youth had realized that it was this pair of hands that washed the clothes every day to enable him to pay the school fees. The bruises on the mother's hands were the price that the mother had to pay for his graduation, academic excellence and his future. After finishing the cleaning of his mother's hands, the youth quietly washed all the remaining clothes for his mother. That night, mother and son talked for a very long time. The next morning, the youth went to the director's office.

The Director noticed the tears in the youth's

eyes, asked: "Can you tell me what have you done and learned yesterday in your house?" The youth answered, "I cleaned my mother's hand, and also finished cleaning all the remaining clothes". The Director asked, "Please tell me your feelings". The youth said, "Number 1, I know now what is appreciation. Without my mother, there would not be the successful me today. Number 2, by working together and helping my mother, only now I realize how difficult and tough it is to get something done. Number 3, I have come to appreciate the importance and value of family relationship". The director said, "This is what I am looking for to be my manager. I want to recruit a person who can appreciate the help of others, a person who knows the sufferings of others to get things done, and a person who would not put money as his only goal in life. You are hired". Later on, this young man worked very hard, and received the respect of his subordinates. Every employee worked diligently and as a team. The company's performance improved tremendously.

Have a reflective weekend,



Best regards,
Wayne Billington
Head of School



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				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. Santa at School :)	8 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. library	9 Secondary Round Table 8.30a.m. dining room Savoury Snack Day Year 4 Year 1 trip to the Police Station Advisory Board 4.00p.m.	10 Secondary School Christmas Concert 4.00p.m. big villa	11 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m. Secondary School Charity Concert at the Social Care Centre 11.30a.m.	12	13
14 Primary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. Foundation Christmas Concert Foundation Unit 2.30p.m.	15 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. Library Primary Christmas Concert – Y1-Y3 1.30p.m. Centre for Culture at Powstańców Śląskich 190	16 Foundation Round Table 8.30a.m. dining room Primary Christmas Concert – Y4-Y6 1.30p.m. Centre for Culture at Powstańców Śląskich 190	17	18 Whole school assembly 8.35 a.m. Half Day School closes at 12.05 12.30p.m. Staff party	19	20
21 Christmas break	22 Christmas break	23 Christmas break	24	25 Christmas break School closed	26	27

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

Contact details:

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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. CHARITY CONCERT AT THE SOCIAL CARE CENTRE

Friday 11th December 11:30 a.m. 'Friendly House' Foundation

On Friday the Secondary School is going to visit „Przyjazny Dom” (Friendly House) Foundation, located in Wroclaw in Psie Pole district, and present our Christmas Concert to the residents of the House.

The foundation works with intellectually disabled adults, providing them housing, daily care and opportunities to work.

Our students will have a chance to meet the residents and have some insight into the highlights and the challenges of life of the disabled people.



Fundacja Przyjazny Dom
im. Stanisława Jabłonki

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 was seriously preparing for their Christmas performances. Mr. Maciek was busily preparing numerous songs while the children were reciting, acting and rehearsing like real actors. Time is ticking quickly and there are not many days left. Please help the children memorise their lines at home. Our

concert dates are: Foundation on Monday 14th December at 14:30. The first primary Concert for Years 1-3 will be held on Tuesday 15th December at 1:30, while the second Concert (Years 4-6) will be organised on Wednesday 16th at 1:30.

This week Year 1 Rabbits went on their long-awaited trip to the Glinolandia where they made some Christmas decorations and I hear that the trip was well enjoyed by all the participants!

On Friday we met in the hall for the last assembly with a presentation this year – by our youngest students, Foundation Bees and Turtles. The following students got this week's Star certificates:

Foundation Bees - Nao
Foundation Turtles - Rustem
Year 1 Rabbits - Seoyul and Nina
Year 2 Butterflies - Maarten
Year 3 Otters - Dongyeong
Year 3 Foxes - Oliwia
Year 4 Shoebills - Lara, Lieselotte, Kazuho and Nohyeon
Year 5 Ravens – Alexia and Jinhwan
Year 5 Kangaroos – Tereza
Year 6 Jaguars – Joon

Congratulations, Stars!

Wishing you a nice weekend,

Anna Witańska
Head of Primary

News from Head of Secondary



I thought I would write something different this week and offer a bit of trivia for parents and especially students to try and answer. I have chosen questions from a few of the subject areas that students are involved in each day. Answers to the questions will

appear in next week's newsletter.

Science

1. What unit of electricity is equal to the work done when a current of 1 amp is passed through a resistance of 1 ohm for 1 second?

History

2. One hundred years ago, the tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel tower. What building, when constructed in 1929, became the tallest building in the world, succeeding the Eiffel tower?

Maths

3. An airplane departs at exactly 8:08:08 a.m. and arrives at its destination at exactly 3:03:03 p.m. What was the plane's exact travel time?

English

4. What five letter (plural) word is related to the following: Weddings, Olympics, Saturn?

Geography

5. Which well-known capital city in Europe has the distinction of being the only one not located on a river?

Enjoy your weekend,

Joe Peck
Head of Secondary

We are offering 3 different courses to students in Key Stage 4 – due to the range of our students. Some have only arrived at our school recently and the first target is passing iGCSE English as a Second Language. After this we suggest sitting FCE Cambridge Exam and trying to get B2, B1 or even C1 level of English. The third group of students try for iGCSE English as First Language. This examination is hard for EAL students and this week Spotlight shows some of the writing of the Students attempting this examination course – to sit in May/June 2016. The writing was completed in 30 minutes in test conditions but some small editing has taken place.

Task: Describe one place at two different times – writing 2 contrasting paragraphs.

Isn't it marvelous that the greatest living things grow in the darkest corner of the house? The existence of your grandma's little interior garden makes you feel as if you're the bedtime story hero. Under the glorious sunshine of midsummer, the land seems like a fairy island, floating solely on the ocean of ennui. As you step inside this tiny forest, the faint scent of trees and grass strikes your nose. The smell of nature, the smell which rekindles the long-lost memories. There is a dim light shining from the top of the place, from the empty ceiling, which exposes this secret palace to the eyes of the blue sky. The light descends, kissing the leaves of the trees, and spreads gently towards the grass and ferns growing on the floor.

In the winter, icicles in their sleek preemptory shapes draw down from the rooftops. They seem like the swords of forgotten magic, which are left after the legendary war of centuries ago. The icicles melt, the drops touch the ground, grow into the long frozen stalagmites, changing the garden into the wintry, mysterious cave where the elves sleep.

Yelhn (has already sat iGCSE English Literature – Grade A* in Year 10)

With the full, over-sized, backpack hanging over their shoulder, they jump to have a little kiss from their parents, and run to receive lips on their cheek. Some taller, meet friends behind the gates and their feelings change from being exhausted to excitement. Two flash of lights on the road as a car arrives in a hurry, two kids make goodbyes and quickly get out from the warm, comfortable seats and walk to their room. Inside the



gates, with the fresh breeze of the morning, some adults leave their kids and chat freely, others take their books and start their busy jobs. Inside the school - a chatty room fills with the happiness of the friends and friendship brightens the school. In the room, kids with pencils held, huddle to find books; they stop the sounds coming from their mouths. Silently and finally the door closes for the first time of the day.

Noises spreading out slowly from the school. Some notice the day finishing, by the sounds of laughter from the corridor and hurriedly finish their work to go back to the most comfortable place ever. A big flower starts to bloom from their lips and they put the books back to the full backpack. Running out to the field with joyfulness in their heart some kids run toward their parents and kiss again - for the missed time. It was an afternoon with sun on the top of their heads and a fresh afternoon wind. Teenagers or just the little kids, all of them with their parents, drive away.

Hayoon (has already passed Cambridge FCE in Year 9)



Spotlight on Year 10 and 11 – Focus on English



A rainy summer morning started with the smell of rain. Sounds of a cooking machine striking my ears telling me to wake up. A gently blowing wind cleared my mind for me. The door was open and I could hear the rain falling. I became upset because of the rain. As I always do, I turned the television on in order to make more loud noises. When the food was ready to set on the table my legs automatically followed the smell. The prepared meal will taste amazing - it will calm me down.

When the rainy season leaves, hot summer replaces it. The heat makes me annoyed, waking me up from the sweet dreams. Outside the locusts cry all over the place and the sound flows in to the house. It was as loud as a baby crying.

Eunjih (has already passed iGCSE English as Second Language in Year 10)

Smells of smoking wood flow through the air and tickle the nose delicately like a little boy. A small room soon be filled with sweet stimuli in which the scents of life from the neighbours are vividly mixed. The room is cozy, warm and at the same time very bright; the sunlight strikes through the window from the west - the sunset is shown upon the tall trees in the garden - and conquers the room with the smoky smell. The door is slightly opened, through which the cozy air is slowly flying away and bringing the fresh cold air in instead.



The walls and ceiling are all white and blank, with no other decorations, which makes the room seem icy cold despite the warm atmosphere that is hugging the whole room. This is a clear advantage when the time goes and the new season comes. The small clock is showing the same time as it was in the winter, but instead of the romantic yellow of the setting sun the living blueness of the clear summer fills the space. Though the temperature is violently high, the whole view of the room is as cool as a winter breeze.

Jaein (has already passed iGCSE English as Second Language in Year 10)



Next week examples from FCE and ESL Writing...

Secondary School Christmas Concert

We would like to invite all the School community to our concert.
The provisional programme:

1. Year 12 Band
The Climb See You Again
Santa Claus is Coming to Town

2. Se Hoon
Cello Solo

3. Nadia, Ginevra, Martina
Rather Be

4. KS3 Band
Centuries Knock Knock Knocking

5. KS3 Band with Choir
Bills

INTERVAL

6. Chae Yeon, Luna, Hye-Won
Fancy

7. Min Young, Gayeon, Sujin, Da Eun, Sanghee
The Boys

8. Jenniffer, Vittoria
Dynamite

9. Yejin, Hayoon, Jong Min, Noeun, Jenny
Candy Jelly Love MTBD

10. Daria
Hip-hop mix

11. Sun Young, Eunjih, Jooyoung, Jaein
Dumb Dumb

12. Choir
Agnus Dei Hark How the Bells
Pora na Dobranoc

Thursday 10th December, 4p.m., Big Villa Hall

Bake-A-Cake or Savoury Snack Dates:

Please Note: Due to the expected Ski Camp, Bake-A-Cake or Savoury Day for Years 10&11 is changed to a different day.

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 20, 2016
Year 12 & 13	January 27, 2016



PTA announcements:

1. PTA would like to express a very big thank you to all the parents who participated the Crafts Morning and helped to prepare the crafts. Further, many thanks to all who donated crafts, cookies, sweets and all other items for sale and to everybody who devoted their time to help with the Winter Bazaar last Friday. Special big thanks to Mr. Marek for his delicious coffee which kept us all going throughout the long day of Bazaar!

Thanks to our common efforts we managed to raise **2665PLN!!!**

2. Charity Christmas Wishes

PTA are still selling the Charity Christmas Wishes on Wednesday and Friday mornings in the lunch room at the time when we all bring children to school. 100% of this money will go to our local charity family.

Support this initiative by donating minimum 5PLN to purchase the tree decoration in your House colour. Write your wish on the decoration and hang it on the school Christmas tree. Let's try to make a Christmas Wish come true for another family in need. The house that will have most of wishes on the tree will earn their house a special bonus.

Thank you again for your support of the BISC PTA initiatives.

Lunch Menu December 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) 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
07.12.2015	Cucumber soup	Spaghetti Bolognese	Spaghetti Bolognese	Spaghetti with tomato sauce Napoli
08.12.2015	Italian soup Minestrone	Turkey cutlet, potatoes, salad	Rikotta spinach and tortellini with cream 30 %	Beans cooked with rosemary and tomatoes, bread wholemeal
09.12.2015	broth	Stuffed cabbage with meat(pork) with brown rice and tomato sauce	Pizza Margherita	Stuffed cabbage with brown rice and tomato sauce
10.12.2015	Pea soup	pork chop, potatoes, salad	Chicken fillet, potatoes, salad, bread, salad	Cutlets zucchini , grits sauce , salad
11.12.2015	Soup with vegetable	Penne with tuna and mozzarella , vegetables	Penne with chicken and mozzarella, vegetables	Dumplings with cabbage
14.12.2015	Cabbage soup with carrot and potatoes	Hungary goulash with vegetables, buckwheat groats, salad	Spaghetti Carbonara, bread, salad	Buckwheat porridge with vegetable sauce and chickpeas
15.12.2015	Ukrainian borsch	Brown rice baked with apples and cinnamon	Gnocchi with cheese sauce, bread, salad	Brown rice baked with apples and cinnamon
16.12.2015	Italian soup Minestrone	Meatballs with marinara sauce, buckwheat groats, salads	Italian soup Minestrone, omelet with ham, bread, salad	Dumplings with vegetable sauce
17.12.2015	Vegetable soup with buckwheat groats	Chicken leg, potatoes, salads	Chicken fillet, potatoes, bread, salad	Letcho with potatoes
18.12.2015	Half day			

***juice and dessert to each menu**

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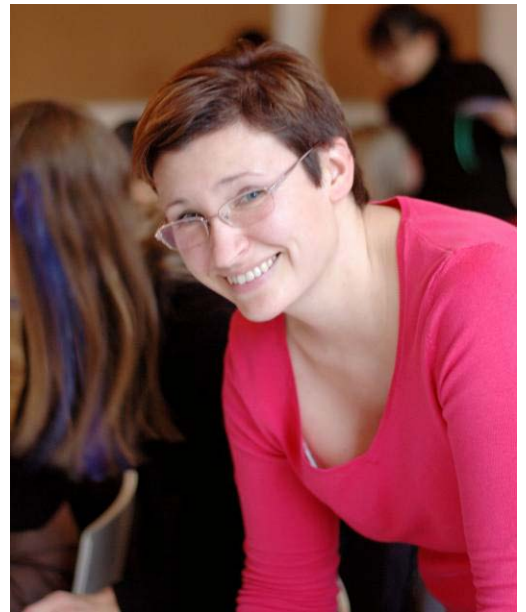
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A brief introduction to parents at BISC Wrocław