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**It is better to go skiing and think of God,
than go to church and think of skiing.**

Fridtjof Nansen

Drazí rodiče,

Pozdrav z Krkonoš!. It has been a very enjoyable week on Ski Camp with 61 pupils and 8 staff members in the Czech Republic. We have had excellent weather for skiing, with temperatures between -4C and -9C and the ski resort has been blessed with an abundance of snow. As I write we are predicted a final day of sunshine and all will return with rosy complexions.

For me it was a learning experience in many ways. I had never skied before and was somewhat apprehensive about the challenge. Certainly, I've had my share of falls but also I've experienced the exhilaration of careering down a slope and the satisfaction of making some progress in learning a new skill. I also was outside my comfort zone on many occasions and I have marvelled at how

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accomplished our pupils are at mastering the art of skiing, many of them beginners and quite young. It reminded me that one can mistakenly assume that a skill or task that is straightforward for one person to complete may be a source of frustration and difficulty for another person. I have certainly been humbled this week.

I have also learned or rather been reminded of the multilingual environment in which we live as I heard many Polish, Czech and German voices out on the slopes in addition to the United Nations of Akacjowa, that is our school. My interest in history was also peaked by the history of the spa town, Janské Lázně, that became a tourist resort for mainly German tourists in the 19th Century and some old postcards bear its former name, Johannisbad. It is a reminder that like Poland, the Czech Republic went through a number of partitions and upheavals but remains a very vibrant nation.

Finally, I learned a great deal about our pupils and their teachers. Spending 4 days with the secondary boys I got to know them very well and they impressed me in many ways. They were always punctual, their rooms were kept in immaculate order, (at least when I did the daily inspection) and they were very positive throughout. But more importantly they were kind and caring to the younger students, unfailingly courteous to the ski

instructors and restaurant staff. In essence they were a credit to the school and to their families and this sentiment was echoed by all the teaching staff and the groups they supervised. For many of our younger pupils it was the first time away from home, a new challenge, new food, new room-mates and a demanding activity programme. They all rose to these challenges impressively and remained positive throughout.

In addition, I learned a great deal about the teachers who accompanied the group. On duty with minimal breaks from 7am to lights out in the evening they showed such concern and diligence with the pupils in their care and they ensured that all went smoothly and they soothed any pangs of homesickness. I thank you all and wish you a restful weekend. Back in Akacjowa the staff there also put on a special week of activities including skating, a cinema trip and an outing to a museum. I also commend the staff here for their work.

Finally, my appreciation of the work of Marcin Kwasiuk, PE Teacher, for organising and leading this very enjoyable, fulfilling and fruitful camp.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!



Best regards,
Tom McGrath
Head of School



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BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL WROCŁAW - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2017 / February 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30 Morning briefing All Staff Members 8.20am – 8.30am ICT room Full Staff Meeting 3.40pm. G3 room, big villa	31	1 Morning briefing All Staff Members 8.20am – 8.30am ICT room Savoury Snack Day Year 1 Rabbits	2	3 Primary School Assembly 8.35am Secondary School Assembly 10.30am Foundation Carnival Party	4	5
6 Morning briefing All Staff Members 8.20am – 8.30am ICT room Primary Staff Meeting 3.40pm F1 room, big villa Secondary Staff Meeting 3.40pm F3 room, big villa	7	8 Morning briefing All Staff Members 8.20am – 8.30am ICT room	9	10 Primary School Assembly 8.35am Secondary School Assembly 10.30am	11	12
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20 Half term break	21 Half term break	22 Half term break	23 Half term break	24 Half term break	25	26

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 in the Korean room on:

Mondays: 8:00-10:30 / 12:05-15:30
 Tuesdays: 8:00-9:25 / 11:20-13:50
 Wednesdays: 8:00-9:25 / 12:55-13:50
 Thursdays: 10:10-10:30 / 12:05-13:05
 Fridays: 8:00-9:25

Contact details:

Hae Sung Lee - haesung.lee@bisc.wroclaw.pl

2. School doctor is available for Parents and Staff on Thursdays from 10.00am till 12.05pm (G8 room, big villa).

3. Dear Parents,

Following a review of security at our sister school in Krakow by the police we have received the following security recommendations that we will implement from Monday 23rd January. Many are already in place but we wish to

restate these and to enhance security and ensure that your child is safe.

- To ensure a greater security presence at the gate the ancillary staff are now instructed to stand at the gate at busy times and to keep the gate shut whenever possible.
- Visitors to the school will be asked to wait outside the gate until their appointment and documents are checked.
- We are advising parents/minders to escort their children to and from school and children should not be coming to school or returning home unaccompanied; parents can enter the buildings as normal.
- Pupils can only be collected by a third party if we have these details with written authorisation of the parent.

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me.

Kindest regards,
Tom McGrath

Extra Curricular Activities 2016/2017

ECA	TEACHER	AGE GROUP	WHERE	WHEN
Kendo Club	Takaharu Uesugi	Y1 upwards	Dębowa Gym Dębowa 9b	Tuesdays 3.45pm - 4.35pm
Swimming Club Beginners	Marcin Kwasiuk & Jacek Lelewski	Year 1-2 and beginners	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Mondays 3.50pm - 4.35pm
Drama Club	Aysha Love	Year 1-2	Year 1 Rabbits classroom small villa	Thursdays 3.40pm - 4.20pm
Art in Nature Club	Ashleigh Britton	Year 1-4	Year 4 Owls classroom small villa	Wednesdays 3.40pm - 4.20pm
Basketball Club	Marcin Kwasiuk	Year 1-5	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Fridays 4.00pm - 5.15pm
Polish Club	Anna Łoboziak	Year 1-6	Year 2 Dragonflies classroom small villa	Tuesdays 3:40pm - 4:20pm
Maths Support	Anna Witańska	Year 2-6	Year 4 Shoebills classroom small villa	Tuesdays 3:40pm - 4:20pm
Primary Orchestra	Maciej Połuszny	Year 3-6	G11 room big villa	Wednesdays 3:40pm - 4:20pm
Swimming Club intermediate and advanced	Jacek Lelewski	Year 3-11	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Wednesdays 4.35pm – 5.20pm
Creative Writing	Gene Goldman	Year 4-6	G7 room big villa	Thursdays 3.40pm - 4.20pm
Art Club	Hye Seung Lee	Year 4-6	Primary Art room big villa	Tuesdays 3.40pm - 4.20pm
Basketball Club	Marcin Kwasiuk	Year 6 upwards	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Tuesdays 4.00 pm - 5.15 pm
Maths Kangaroo Club	Anna Szumilak Jasztal	Year 6 upwards	F3 room big villa	Tuesdays 3.35pm – 4.20pm
GCSE Polish Club	Ewa Gołąbek	Secondary	S2 room big villa	Wednesdays 1.20pm – 1.45pm
Secondary Orchestra	Jakub Stefaniszyn	Secondary	G10 room big villa	Thursdays 1.10pm – 1.45pm
Singstar Club	Jakub Stefaniszyn	Secondary	G11 room big villa	Fridays 1.10pm. – 1.45pm
School band	Jakub Stefaniszyn	Secondary	G11 room big villa	Fridays 3.35pm – 5.00pm
Polish for Parents Beginners	Anna Sawiel	Parents :)	EAL Room small villa, first floor	Tuesdays 1.50pm – 3.30pm
Polish for Parents Intermediate	Ania Sawiel	Parents :)	S7 room big villa	Thursdays 1.50pm – 3.30pm
English for Parents	Iwona Sokołowska	Parents :)	G10 room big villa	Tuesdays 2.00pm – 3.25pm

News from Head of Primary



This week was different than usual. The school seemed quieter than usual – well, perhaps except break time. We enjoyed lessons with secondary teachers, Mr. Ian and Mr. Kuba – thank you for teaching the primary children! Also Foundation, Years 1 and 2 had their PE lessons with Mr. Jacek, which was very exciting.

During one week some of us had two outings! I think I can say that the cinema trip was a great success. Everyone enjoyed the film and some shed a tear or two.

The skating excursion was well enjoyed by everyone and despite bringing a few bruises home we all had a good time.

We had some children coming down with the flu, unfortunately - please watch out for your child's possible symptoms - it is better to give unwell children some recovery time at home to prevent the flu from spreading.

Foundation Bees and Bears - Nao, Kenzaburo and Do Hyun

Year 1 Rabbits – Hyeon Seo and Minju

Year 2 Dragonflies - Charlie

Year 3 Foxes - Seinosuke and Sushruth

Year 4 Showls - Maks, Sai Mihir, Oliwia T., Mythri and Yuji

Year 5 Coyotes - Nagisa

Year 6 Wolverines - Tereza and Madhav

Congratulations, Stars!

Wishing you a nice weekend,

Anna Witańska
Head of Primary

News from Head of Secondary



It was a rather quiet week for secondary as most of the students went to our winter ski camp. The students in years 7-10 who remained at school enjoyed two fieldtrips that took them around the city. They visited an archeological museum on Wednesday and then tested their skating skills at the ice rink at Centennial Hall. Teachers that went to the museum found the exhibit to be very worthwhile, and a future trip may be in the works for more students to attend.

Enjoy your weekend,

Joe Peck
Head of Secondary

News from Polish School



Coś dla ciała, coś dla ducha...

Ostatni tydzień z pewnością nie był podobny do pozostałych. Stało się tak za sprawą uczniów, którzy nagle zapragnęli „popatrzeć na świat z góry”. Od słów do czynów. Dzieciaki spakowały walizki i nie oglądając się na pozostawionych w domu rodziców, wyruszyły do Janskich Łazni na organizowany przez BISC

Wrocław obóz narciarski. Radości nie było końca.

A co z tymi, którzy pozostali we Wrocławiu? Nie zapomnieliśmy i o nich. Zimą nigdzie nie można się nudzić. Na dowód tego, maluchy odważnie założyły łyżwy i wyślizgnęły się ze szkoły na lodowisko ;) Pamiętając, że „śmiech to zdrowie”, uczniowie szkoły podstawowej wybrali się też wspólnie do kina, żeby posłuchać nieco niehumanicznych śpiewów w fantastycznym, bajkowym teatrze (Sing). Największych cudów dokonała jednak nasza gimnazjalistka Jenny, która, nie ruszając się z miejsca, przeniosła się w czasie i przestrzeni i trafiła na chwilę do starożytnego Egiptu.

Bez wątpienia, był to tydzień pełen niespodzianek...

Życzę udanego weekendu.

Dyrektor Szkoły
Magdalena Mrozowska

Spotlight on Year 1 Rabbits

Hello everyone,

On Tuesday we braved the cold and went on a long tram ride to watch Sing. It was a very exciting film full of singing animals and we loved all the songs, especially one by a man called Elton John...whoever he is! We keep making miss Aysha play it over and over again!

Then we came back to school and had a special visit from year 5 and 6 who came to read to us. They asked us some tricky questions about the books, but we answered them all! We really enjoyed spending time with the bigger kids and hope they will come visit us again!

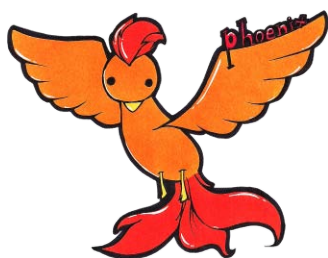
Along with these special activities, we have been working hard as usual. In literacy we have been using information books to find out information about nocturnal animals.

It's been a great week and we hope you all have a good weekend :)

From Year 1 Rabbits



HOUSE SCORES 2016/2017



1st

Place

2nd

Place

3rd






Place

4th

Place

MERIT CHALLENGE

Merit Challenge this week	Addition
Merit Challenge next week	Subtraction

HOUSE SCORES	Cygnus	Phoenix	Lupus	Pegasus
				
Weekly Points	1	3	2	4
Weekly Winner				
Total Points	37	41	51	31
Weekly Merits	93	161	160	293
RANKING	3 rd PLACE	2 nd PLACE	1 st PLACE	4 th PLACE

Primary House Captains:

	Cygnus	Phoenix	Lupus	Pegasus
	Gayeon Lee Year 6 Yellow Wolverines	Magda Sawicka Year 6 Yellow Wolverines	Jack Kidd Year 6 Blue Wolverines	Jin Hwan Bae Year 6 Blue Wolverines

Secondary House Captains:

	Cygnus	Phoenix	Lupus	Pegasus
	Yunhwa Jung Year 10	Yejin Lee Year 10	DongMin Seo Year 9	Sang Hee Park Year 10

Secondary House Vice Captains:

	Cygnus	Phoenix	Lupus	Pegasus
	Borys Rusko Year 7	Alicia Marie McInerney Year 7	Jin Seong Kim Year 7	Anastasia Lacroix Year 7



PTA BISC Wroclaw on Facebook:

goo.gl/WNw25e

pta@bisc.wroclaw.pl

1. Bake-a-Cake and Savoury Snack Days

The Bake-a-Cake and Savoury Snack Days in Year 2016/2017 are as follows:

February 1, 2017	Year 1 Rabbits
February 15, 2017	Year 3 Foxes
March 8, 2017	Year 7
March 22, 2017	Year 4 Shoebills
April 5, 2017	Year 2 Dragonflies
May 10, 2017	Year 4 Owls
May 24, 2017	Year 8

2. Upcoming PTA activities:

Until the end of Spring Term 2016/2017, PTA is planning following activities:

- PTA Mufti Day (Tuesday, February 14)
- PTA Spring Bazaar (Friday, March 17)
- PTA Fat Thursday (Thursday, April 6)
- PTA Mufti Day (Friday, April 7)

Regarding a PTA Mufti Day which is a non-uniform day on Tuesday 14 February 2017, students can wear casual clothes to school instead of their school uniform. Donation for participation in Mufti Day will be collected by their form teachers in the morning as usual. We will use the money raised on Mufti Day to organize other fun activities for our students.

Yours,
PTA

Yolanta Nikt & Zdzisław Nitka

Art Main Station by mia

Piłsudskiego 105

<http://miaartgallery.com/en/>

until Sunday, 5th February

Yang Shuanglin. Contemporary Chinese "Wenren" – Painter and Erudite

National Museum

Pl. Powstańców Warszawy 5

http://www.en.mnwr.art.pl/CMS/wystawy_czasowe/wystawy_czasowe.html

until Tuesday, 31st January

Pixelosis – Interactive Installation

Wrocław Contemporary Museum

Pl. Strzegomski 2A

<http://muzeumwspolczesne.pl/mww/edukacja/pikseloza/?lang=en>

until Friday, 30th June

Gregorian - concert

Centennial Hall & Discovery Centre

Wystawowa 1

<http://www.makroconcert.com/en>

Wednesday, 15th February

Moscow City Ballet – Swan Lake

Polish Theatre

Zapolskiej 3

<https://www.ebilet.pl/en/klasyka/balet-taniec/moscow-city-ballet/>

Thursday, 23rd March 07:00pm

Friday, 24th March 04:30pm and 08:00pm

Mayito Rivera & The Sons Of Cuba - concert

Stary Klasztor

Purkyniego 1

Tuesday, 14th February 08:00pm

Ethno Jazz Festival – La Hoquera Tango Septet - concert

Stary Klasztor

Purkyniego 1

Sunday, 19th February 07:00pm

Kuba Stankiewicz Trio

Vertigo Jazz Club & Restaurant

Oławska 13

Thursday, 9th February 08:30pm

Jerzy Pogorzelski - exhibition

The Museum of Bourgeois Art

The Town Hall

Sukiennice 14/15

until Monday, 30th January

Marek Napiórkowski & Artur Lesicki - Celuloid

Vertigo Jazz Club & Restaurant

Oławska 13

Thursday, 16th February 08:30pm

National Theatre Live: No Man`s Land

Multikino Arkady

Powstańców Śląskich 2-4

<https://multikino.pl/pl/wydarzenia/nt-live/national-theatre-live-ziemia-niczyja#>

Thursday, 2nd January 07:00pm

Wrocław Culture in Posters: 1945-2016

The Royal Palace, History Museum

Kazimierza Wielkiego 35

until Sunday, 26th February

Bulgarian Wine Festival: Sarakina Balkan Band

Stary Klasztor

Purkyniego 1

Sunday, 12th February 07:00pm

Sukhishvili Georgian National Ballet

Centennial Hall

Wystawowa 1

Thursday, 16th February 07:00pm

World Music - Salif Keita

National Forum of Music

Plac Wolności 1

<http://www.nfm.wroclaw.pl/en/component/nf-mcalendar/event/5413>

Sunday, 5th February 07:00pm

We are alerting parents to this alleged opportunity. The school takes no responsibility for this notice and with all such proposals we advise parents to research fully before going forward.

Below is an unsolicited poster we have received from a casting company for a film.

Kindest regards,
Tom McGrath

CASTING DLA DZIECI CHILDREN CASTING CALL

Poszukujemy CHŁOPCA W WIEKU 4-8 LAT MOWIĄCEGO PO ANGIELSKU (polski akcent mile widziany) do roli syna bohatera granego przez Colina Firtha w pełnometrażowym filmie „Kursk” w reżyserii Thomasa Vinterberga (Festen, Polowanie) produkcji EuropaCorp.

Prosimy o przesyłanie kandydatur zawierających:

imię i nazwisko dziecka
datę urodzenia
wzrost
znajomość języków w mowie
miasto zamieszkania
telefon i e-mail rodziców
aktualne zdjęcia dziecka

na e-mail:
castingpologne@gmail.com

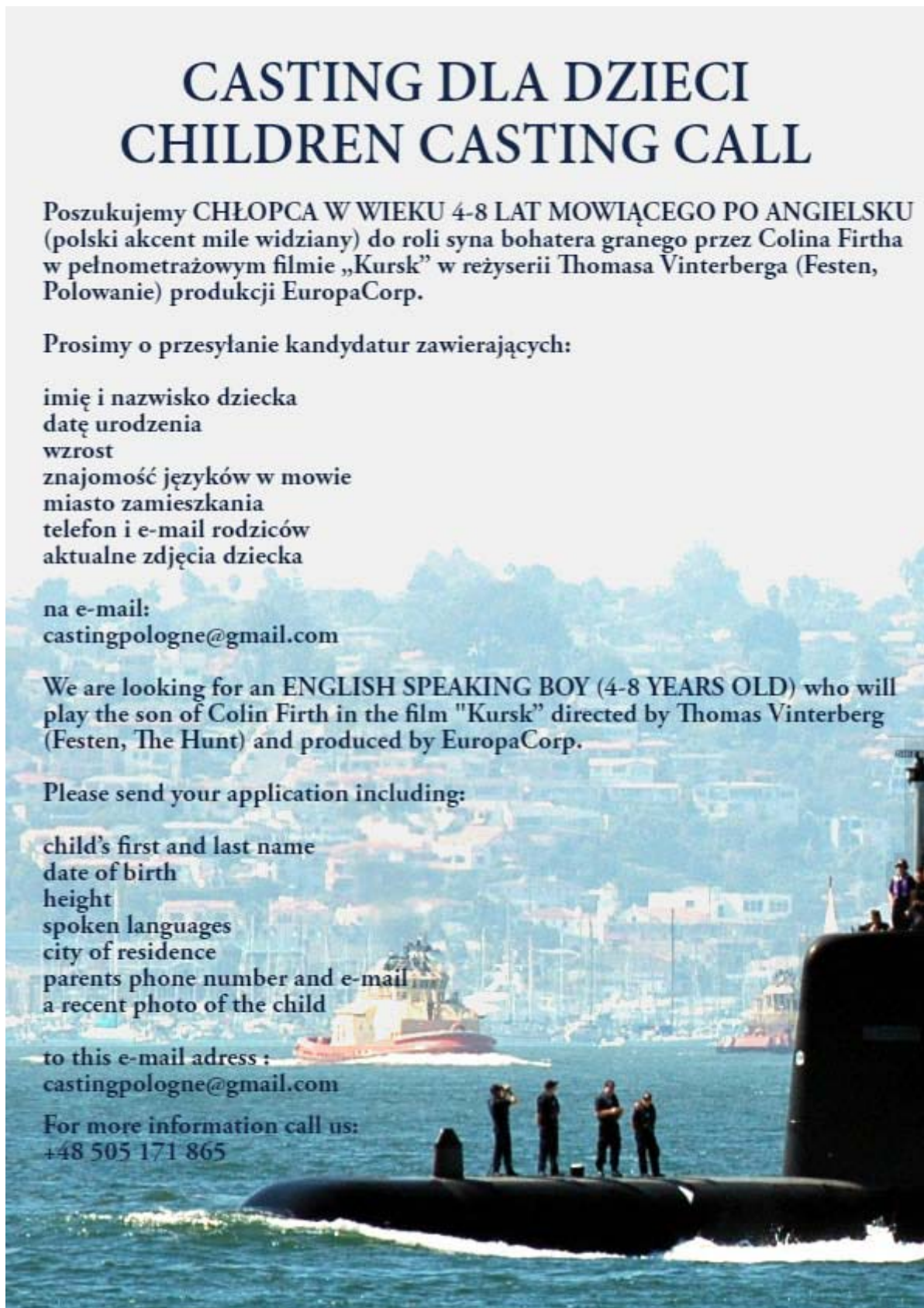
We are looking for an ENGLISH SPEAKING BOY (4-8 YEARS OLD) who will play the son of Colin Firth in the film "Kursk" directed by Thomas Vinterberg (Festen, The Hunt) and produced by EuropaCorp.

Please send your application including:

child's first and last name
date of birth
height
spoken languages
city of residence
parents phone number and e-mail
a recent photo of the child

to this e-mail adress :
castingpologne@gmail.com

For more information call us:
+48 505 171 865




Lunch Menu for February 2017 – Weranda Smaków

Dear Parents,

To place an order and also to pay for it you must do this online:

1. Please register at <https://system.masterszef.com.pl/Rejestracja/BISC>
2. Please place your order for the whole month. You do not have to order items every day but you need to complete the order form online and please save afterwards.
3. If you have any questions about the “**MASTERSZEF**” system, please contact Mrs Joanna Wierzejska, Project Manager by e-mail (jwierzejska@masterszef.com.pl) or by the phone (22 110 50 07).
4. Please note that the menu for February is now available online.

	30.01	31.01	01.02	02.02	03.02
Soup	Cream of corn with ginger	Cream of courgette	Carrot cream with cardamom and coconut milk	Cream of potato and garlic	Cream of sweet potato
	Pickled cucumber soup	Barley soup	Vegetable soup	Ukrainian borscht	Champignon soup
Main course	(Vege) Vegetable letcho (red bean, zucchini, pepper, corn and eggplant), potatoes, beetroot salad	(Vege) Roasted eggplant slices, yoghurt dip, paraboiled rice, chinese cabbage and carrot salad, pickled cucumbers salad	(Vege) Slices of roasted celery, potatoes with parsley, pickled cabbage salad with carrots and apples	(Vege) Pasta with roasted vegetables sauce, beetroot and horseradish salad	(Vege) Potato dumplings in a sauce of roasted tomatoes and beans, carrot salad
	(Meat) Goulash, potatoes, beetroot salad	(Meat) Pork cutlets, paraboiled rice, chinese cabbage and carrot salad, pickled cucumbers salad	(Meat) Gravy baked pork chops, potatoes with parsley, pickled cabbage salad with carrots and apples	(Meat) Spaghetti bolognese, beetroot and horseradish salad	(Meat) Potato dumplings in a roasted tomatoes and chicken sauce, carrot salad
	(Fish) Cod fillet, potatoes, beetroot salad	(Fish) Pollock fillet with yoghurt dip, paraboiled rice, chinese cabbage and carrot salad, pickled cucumbers salad	(Fish) Grenadier fillet breaded in cornmeal, potatoes with parsley, pickled cabbage salad with carrots and apples	(Fish) Pasta with tuna and corn, beetroot and horseradish salad	(Fish) Potato dumplings in a roasted tomatoes and smoked salmon sauce, carrot salad

AROUND BISC WROCŁAW

