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BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL WROCLAW

NEWSLETTER

WEEKLY SCHOOL INFORMATION, EVENTS AND NEWS



facing a busy final term of exams. The message of the tale was "It is as you will it to be".

This message is very much in keeping with the work Years 7, 8 and 9 are doing in English as we're studying the Canterbury Tales in preparation for the summer production.

I would therefore invite students to consider the message of this story, and how it applies to the next few weeks of their life at BISC.

As with all good moral tales, this one starts a long, long time ago in an exotic land far away...

There was an old wise man who lived in the mountains above a small village. Many people in the village approached the wise man for his advice and counsel, as he was always able to reveal the truth and answer troubling questions with a wise and thoughtful answer that gave those who approached him cause to think.

One day, two boys devised a way to trick the wise man. They bought a small white dove and decided they would climb up the mountain and ask the old man if the bird was alive or dead. One boy would hold the bird behind his back, clasped tightly between his hands. If the wise man said the dove was dead, he would proudly present the dove, alive and well. But,

if the wise man said the dove was alive, he would quickly and silently snap the bird's neck and present a lifeless dove to the old man.

A perfect plan, they thought, and hastily rushed up to the top of the mountain where the old wise man lived. As they approached his house, the wise man was already standing outside in anticipation.

"We have a question for you." Said one boy "Yes! Is the dove I am holding alive or dead?" said the other excitedly.

The old man smiled and stared at both boys. "It is as you will it to be." he replied.

And so it is with your exams, friendships, studies and careers. So much of our future is determined by our actions in the present. To all our students taking exams in the next few years, consider this lesson. Your future is now in your hands alone.

I'm sure everyone joins me in wishing our Secondary students the very best of luck in their exams!



Best regards,
Graham Lewis
Head's Assistant
for Strategic Planning

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				15 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.	16	17
18 Primary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m.	19 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. Library	20 Round Table Advisory Board 4.00p.m.	21	22 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.	23	24
25 Primary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. Cambridge English Exam Registration Deadline	26 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. Library	27 Savoury Snack Day Year 5 Ravens	28	29 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.	30	1
2 May Holiday School Closed	3 May Holiday School closed	4	5 Secondary Staff Meeting 3.40p.m.	6 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.	7	8

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:

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

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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. As you know we are very happy for parents and children to remain on the school grounds at the end of school and enjoy the facilities.

However we must reiterate that after you have collected your children at 3.25pm **you must supervise them carefully on the school premises and play equipment.** We would ask parents of children using the slide and climbing frame to please stay near the children beside the equipment to ensure that they are fully supervised and can play safely. Also, please remind your children that they should not play inside the school after 4:00 pm. Of course children are allowed to use toilets on the ground floor if they need to. We are sure that all parents understand how important it is to keep the children safe. Thank you for your support.

5. Dear Parents,

Please note that the school will be closed on Monday 2nd May and Tuesday 3rd May due to the May Holiday in Poland.

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.
Discussion Club	Jennifer Jones	Y2 – Y3	Year 3 Foxes room small villa	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Primary Orchestra	Maciej Połuszny	Y4 – Y6	G11 room big villa	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Homework Club	Agnieszka Peck	Primary	F1 room big villa	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Kendo Club	Takaharu Uesugi	Y1 upwards	Dębowa Gym Dębowa 9b	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.45p.m.
Polish for Beginners	Anna Łoboziak	Y1-Y2	Year 2 Butterflies room Small villa	Tuesdays 3.45p.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.
Sculpture Club	Anna Kawczyńska	Secondary	S7 room big villa	Wednesdays 1.00p.m. – 1.40p.m.
Polish for Parents :) Beginners	Hanna Savel	Parents :)	S1 room big villa	Wednesdays 1.50p.m. – 3.25p.m.
Maths Homework Club	Justyna Połowska	Secondary	F3 room big villa	Wednesdays 3.40p.m. – 4.25p.m.
Maths Kangaroo Club	Justyna Zajęc	Secondary	F2 room big villa	Wednesdays 3.40p.m. – 4.25p.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	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.
Famous British and American songs	Iwona Sokołowska	Y3 – Y6	G10 room big villa	Thursdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.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



Mother Nature decided to support PTA and take good care of our future gardens, sending lots of rain. Remembering that there is no bad weather, just bad clothing, we encourage our students to put an extra pair of socks in their bags, just in case.

We had our second round of the Parent-teacher Conferences, which, I hear, went smoothly and were more timely. Many thanks to all the Parents who attended. We hope that the meetings were a good opportunity to discuss your children progress.

It is only two weeks before the annual Spelling Bee! Ms. Jones, who is in charge of this event, has already given out the spelling lists, so now the students have some time to learn them and be super ready for the Bee-Day.

Here is the place for my “usual” reminder about the Oxford Reading Tree **birthday competition!** The **deadline is 30th April**, so please make sure you see me before that date if you want to participate.

Mr. Marcin has informed me that the Green Camp is, as always, a very popular choice and we have had over 90 students signed up. Great news!

On Friday the Primary School did some good singing in the assembly. Our Stars of the week were:

Foundation Bees – Lara and Paolo
Foundation Turtles - Rustem
Year 1 Rabbits – Julia
Year 2 Butterflies – Songhyun
Year 3 Otters – Ola
Year 3 Foxes - Julia
Year 4 Shoebills – Jessica, Kotaro and Chanjoong
Year 5 Kangaroos - Gayeon
Year 5 Ravens – Ji Sung
Year 6 Jaguars – Batu, Come and Borys

Congratulations, Stars!

Wishing you a weekend full of spring,

Anna Witańska
Head of Primary

News from Head of Secondary



Secondary students and teachers took their energy into high gear this week with by concentrating on IGCSE exams and parent conferences. I would like to thank parents for speaking with teachers over the last couple of evenings and I hope the meetings were informative. We have an outstanding group of secondary students at BISC, and I am sure teachers really enjoyed sharing each child’s achievements with parents.

A few of our Year 11 students may have felt a little stress this week while focusing on their IGCSE Art and ICT exams. Exam season has started and testing will continue each week until the end of June for all upper-secondary students. Good luck to all.

Enjoy your weekend,

Joe Peck
Head of Secondary

In the previous spotlights Y8 focused on different aspects of a class and school life, this time they've decided to vote for a new topic. From many different options the most popular one was the topic of the dreams. Some people say that our dreams are reflections of what we think or what we are afraid of or just simply the reflection of our great imagination. For sure they are very intriguing and interesting because everything is possible in our dreams!

Anna Kawczyńska
Year 8 Form Tutor

Nadia and Ginevra

Na: What was your favourite dream?

Gi: my favourite dream was 2 weeks ago. It was crazy.

Na: when and where was the dream?

Gi: in the future at school.

Na: what has happened in the dream?

Gi: it was a regular day at school, the only odd thing was teachers were dancing and singing.

Na: who was in the dream?

Gi: all secondary teachers, some of my Italian friends, Nadia, Lena, Luna and I.

Na: how often do you dream?

Gi: almost every night.

Na: who is usually in your dreams?

Gi: people which I imagine.

Na: do you have nightmares?

Gi: I usually have nightmares when in stressed.

Chan Young and Dongmin

DM: What was your favourite dream Mr.CY?

CYY: It was when I dreamed about myself practising how to fly.

DM: What language do you dream in?

CYY: I don't speak in dreams

DM: How often do you dream?

CYY: About once per 3 months

DM: Do your dreams happen in reality?

CYY: Not exactly, but when I get hurt in the dream, next morning, I feel the pain at the same place

DM: Did you have a dream with your classmates in it?

CYY: Yes. Once, my classmates stabbed me with spears in the dream

MinYeong and Sujin

MY: Did you ever had a dream that was nightmare?

SJ: Yes. It was about IS.

MY: What was the story?

SJ: When I was sleeping, IS came to my bedroom. I was so terrified. Suddenly my mum gave them food and they enjoyed. Then they rested in my house. During this time, the leader of IS was talking to me in the bathroom about my house. He told me that 'Next time I will come to your house, beware!' I told him that he can't hurt me. And my dream end.

MY: Why it was your nightmare?

SJ: Because at that time, IS appeared in Paris, so it made me scary.

MY: I see. Thank you for answering my questions.

Luna and Lena

LU: what was one of your worst nightmares?

LE: Once I dreamt that I was in a restaurant with my family. The weird thing is there is like a rope park on the ceiling, which my older brother is playing on. Suddenly there is a fire in the kitchen which quickly spread around, the whole building is falling apart, so everyone tries to run outside as quick as they can. Someone calls the fire brigade. I notice my brother was not next to me. I thought he might have got stuck in one of the ropes he was playing with earlier. I run back to the restaurant but a firefighter stops me... then my mom dragged me into our car and we drove away. After that I usually wake up. That's why I'm scared of fire.

LU: How many times did you dream this?

LE: more than 3 times.

Chae Yeon Kim and Gayeon Lee

CYK: What kind of dream is it? Happy? Sad? Scary?

GY: It's a nice dream☺

CYK: Is it Imaginary dream or realistic dream?

GY: It's imaginary dream.

CYK: Was your dream in daytime or midnight?

GY: It was in daytime.

CYK: Okay. Now explain your dream please.

GY: I went to theme park with my friends. I was having fun with them. Lastly, we decide to try on the rollercoaster. So we went on, however few seconds after I realized that my belt was unlocked. I tried to put them together but it was too late. I thought I would fell down and die. One thing is, I had a magic that I can fly. I fly to the sky, it was windy. I almost fall down by wind, but somebody saved me. He was Harry Potter. They were practicing quidditch. They said they're looking for flying ball, so I helped them. After an hour, time was up and we couldn't find the ball. Sadly, it was time to say goodbye. Then I woke up.

CYK: Wow, what a cool dream!!

Etienne Paret

How my dreams usually look like: I am with around ten friends in some of a massive factory, but we can't get out of it. There is only one way of making our way out: do tests. But not the kind of tests you do at school, more like a survival test. Some of them are monsters running after me or getting my way through crazy trees that want to catch me. All the time for every single test we chose between one or three people. Once the test is done, the people that were chosen come back and everything is fine, we have beds, food and water so...it is good! Some people would say this is more a nightmare, but I always survive and I like the "story", it is like watching a movie. So for me it is a dream, and who knows, maybe some people had a similar one!

Bake-a-Cake and Savoury Days

Year 5 Ravens	April 27, 2016
Year 5 Kangaroos	May 11, 2016



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1. 2nd Round Table with PTA agenda

The 2nd Round Table with PTA agenda will take place on **Wednesday, April 20, 2016**. Please keep e-mailing your suggestions, questions and concerns to PTA e-mail address pta@bisc.wroclaw.pl at any time when a question or complaint occurs, not just before the Round Table is supposed to take place. PTA will communicate your concerns to the school management to make them aware of your concerns and proceed in solving the problems. The agenda will be announced on posters before the Round Table.

To keep the Round Tables more structured, constructive and leading to the solutions of problems, only the announced agenda issues will be addressed during the Round Table with PTA agenda. Therefore, we kindly invite and encourage you to participate in creating this agenda.

2. Gardening project

During this week Year 3 Foxes as the last class seeded their vegetables in their hand-made mini greenhouses. We have seen the seeds sprout nicely in most classes. Now children have to remember to control moisture of soil for their new plants and make sure to water them very regularly. The soil tends to dry out fast as the heating is still on at school and the windowsills are very warm.

As soon as the seedlings grow a bit and reach the top of the “greenhouses”, we would highly appreciate parent’s help in transplanting the seedling into bigger pots. Children will see the job and try it. However, it’s a job which requires very gentle treatment to not damage the young seedlings. For this reasons, we will need helping parents’ hands.

There is a new asset in place for the vegetable gardens. There is a new composter next to the gardens. Please remember that composter is not a garbage bin. Only grass and remains of vegetables will belong there. Please do not throw any garbage there because the compost will be used to fertilize the garden soil and garbage will spoil it.

Lunch Menu April 2016

PRICE - 10 PLN per meal

Every day you can choose between 2 available meals.

11.04	12.04	13.04	14.04	15.04
Devolay with mashed potatoes and salad	Borscht soup + croquet with cheese and mushrooms	Toastie with spinach , tomato and mozzarella	Meat stew with dumplings and salad	Spaghetti with tomato sauce
Pancakes with spinach , feta cheese and sun-dried tomatoes	Penne with vegetables and chicken in cream sauce	Breaded chicken cutlet + salad + potatoes/ rice or French fries	Pancakes with cheese/chocolate	Fried Cod + salad+ potatoes/ rice or French fries
18.04	19.04	20.04	21.04	22.04
Penne with vegetables and chicken in cream sauce	Potato dumplings in mushroom sauce with salads	Pancakes with cheese, ham and mushrooms	Breaded chicken cutlet + salad + potatoes/ rice or French fries	Fried Cod + salad+ potatoes/ rice or French fries
Steamed Cod + salad+ potatoes/ rice or French fries	Sesame-cruste chicken cutlet+ salad +baked potatoes/ rice or French fries	Meatballs with potatoes and salad	Hash browns with steamed veggies	Spaghetti with tomato sauce
25.04	26.04	27.04	28.04	29.04
Devolay with mashed potatoes and salad	Meat stew with dumplings and salad	Toastie with spinach , tomato and mozzarella	Meatballs with potatoes and salad	Spaghetti with tomato sauce
Borscht soup + croquet with cheese and mushrooms	Penne with vegetables and chicken in cream sauce	Breaded chicken cutlet + salad + potatoes/ rice or French fries	Pancakes with cheese/chocolate	Steamed Cod + salad+ potatoes/ rice or French fries

If you prefer there is also a possibility to exchange something from the menu for :

1. Tomato soup with rice+ bread roll with cheese/salami
2. Sour rye soup with egg + bread roll with cheese/salami
3. Borscht + bread roll with cheese/salami

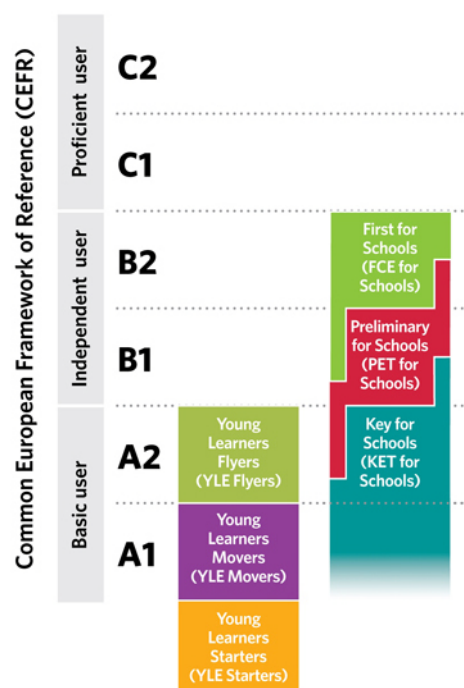
Of course we can introduce something new according to your preferences. I am waiting for your suggestions.

Dear Parents & Students,

CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH EXAM

We will be organising Cambridge English exams again this year for both Primary and Secondary students. A series of exams are offered for school age children and teenagers to demonstrate their abilities in English and receive a certificate from the University of Cambridge.

Primary students are able to take the YLE Starters, Movers or Flyers exams. Please ask your child's EAL teacher for advice on which exam would be most appropriate. Cambridge YLE exams present tasks in a motivating, activity-based format and do not test grammatical awareness in isolation. Every student who completes an exam gets a certificate, earning "shields" based on their performance in the areas of Speaking, Listening and Reading & Writing.



For Secondary students, this year we are running the First Certificate in English FCE (level B2-C1) and Preliminary English Test PET (levels A2-B1). Your English or EAL teacher will be able to advise you on which exam to take. The FCE exam is an internationally recognised certificate, demonstrating a high level of English which can be used when applying for university admission.

Exams are charged at the following rates:

Young Learner English (YLE)	260 PLN
Key English Test (KET)	310 PLN
First Certificate in English (FCE)	580 PLN

Please sign up and pay the correct exam fees in Ms. Natalia's office. **Registration will close on Monday the 25th of April.**

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, either in person or by email on gwlewis@bisc.wroclaw.pl

Kind regards,
Graham Lewis
Head's Assistant for Strategic Planning

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(Weekly Winner)



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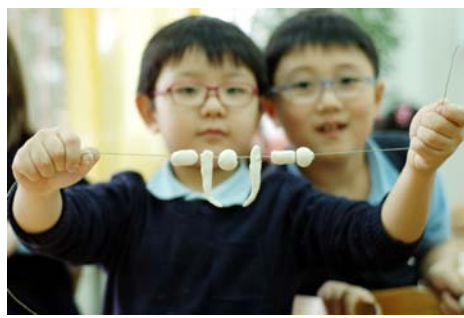
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A brief introduction to parents at BISC Wrocław