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**"There's not enough silliness in the world.
Eurovision helps to keep it balanced."**

Terry Wogan

Dear Parents,

Like many of you, I'm sure, I spent last Saturday evening following the extravagance that is the Eurovision Song Contest. This year's final was staged in Kyiv, Ukraine and was a very lavish production. The winner was the singer of a gentle ballad, Salvador Sobral, who scorned the dance routines, exotic outfits and the excessive paraphernalia that features at this event, to stand alone and enchant us with his voice and simplicity. Though previously resident in Portugal for two years my basic competence in this language is not sufficient for me to confidently understand the lyrics but the song needs little translation. We know immediately that it was a song of love and longing, of peace and gentleness.

This is the power of music and song. It stirs something deep inside us when it is pure and honest and we are moved by music.

Last Friday the school had its own song contest and I applaud Ms Magda Mrozowska for suggesting, planning and producing this successful event. We invited pupils in schools in Wrocław to submit recordings of songs sung in English for selection for our final and then on Friday 12th May we held the final of the selected singers. It was a great success and the outcome was one of new friendships, warm relations and renewed belief in the power of song. My thanks again to Magda for her inspiration here.

Green Camp is almost upon us and Mr Marcin has sent further details via schoology to all parents. I wish all participants a safe, sunny and inspiring week where the beauty of the Polish countryside can be savoured and we learn her skills and much about ourselves outside the classroom. It is also an opportunity to deepen our interaction and friendships with our sister school in

Kraków as they will also be sending a large group to Radków.

Thanks to all those who supported the PTA Picnic last Saturday afternoon and by all accounts it was a very successful event under the cherry trees. My thanks to Doreen Kidd for her work here. On our calendar we had previously assigned Friday May 26th as International Day but for logistical reasons this is now postponed until Friday 23rd June. This postponement will allow us to ensure a more successful day and I will be communicating with you in coming weeks on our plans here.

In this week's newsletter I have included details of our fees for the next three academic years as well as news that we are discontinuing the Foundation Stage from September 2017.

Wishing you all a weekend filled with sunshine.



Best regards,
Tom McGrath
Head of School

BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL WROCLAW

NEWSLETTER

WEEKLY SCHOOL INFORMATION, EVENTS AND NEWS



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>22</p> <p>Morning briefing All Staff Members 8.20am – 8.30am ICT room</p> <p>Y7-Y10 End of Year Exams</p> <p>Green Camp Meeting 3.35pm G3 room, big villa</p> <p>Primary Staff Meeting 3.40pm F1 room, big villa</p> <p>Secondary Staff Meeting 3.40pm F3 room, big villa</p> <p>Bike licence Session III 3.30pm – 5.00pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Y7-Y10 End of Year Exams</p> <p>Year 4 Shoebills – trip to the Adventure Park 10.00am – 2.00pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Morning briefing All Staff Members 8.20am – 8.30am ICT room</p> <p>Savoury Snack Day Year 8</p> <p>Y7-Y10 End of Year Exams</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Y7-Y10 End of Year Exams</p> <p>Bike licence Session IV 3.30pm – 5.00pm</p> <p>Advisory Board 4.00pm F3 room, big villa</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Primary School Assembly 8.35am</p> <p>Secondary School Assembly 10.30am</p> <p>Bike licence Session V 3.30pm – 5.00pm</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
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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. Korean Coordinator

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

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

3. Dear Parents and Students,

Please note, that the linguistic competition about
France and other French-speaking countries (Part
II) is postponed until June 26th.

Extra Curricular Activities 2016/2017

ECA	TEACHER	AGE GROUP	WHERE	WHEN
Puzzle Club	Iza Łuczowska	Foundation – Y2	Foundation unit Lipowa	Wednesdays 3.40pm – 4.20pm
Kendo Club	Takaharu Uesugi	Year 1 upwards	Dębowa Gym Dębowa 9b	Tuesdays 3.45pm - 4.35pm
Football Club	Michał Król	Year 1 upwards	School premises	Fridays 4.00pm - 5.15pm
Swimming Club Beginners	Marcin Kwasiuk & Jacek Lelewski	Year 1-2 and beginners	SSP72 ul. Trwała 17-19	Mondays 3.50pm - 4.35pm
Basketball Club	Marcin Kwasiuk	Year 1-5	School premises	Fridays 3.45pm - 5.00pm
Polish Club	Anna Łoboziak	Year 1-6	Year 2 Dragonflies classroom small villa	Tuesdays 3:40pm - 4:20pm
Famous Songs Club	Iwona Sokołowska	Year 3-6	G10 room big villa	Thursdays 3.40pm - 4.20pm
Explorer's Club	Agnieszka Peck	Year 3-6	F1 room big villa	Fridays 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
Computer Club	Magda Cempura	Year 4-6	ICT 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
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
GCSE French Club	Magda Mrozowska	Secondary	S6 room big villa	Wednesdays 1.15pm – 1.50pm
Debating Club	Tom McGrath	Secondary	G6 room big villa	Fridays 4.30pm. – 5.30pm
Computer Animation Club	Ian Carr-de Avelon	Secondary	ICT room big villa	Fridays 1.10pm. – 1.50pm
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



We have enjoyed some beautiful sunshine this week! It is definitely the time to wear short sleeves, hats and lighter clothes in general. Please remember about a sunscreen and drinking plenty of water too! A kind reminder about changing clothes for PE -

children feel much better when they can change into fresh clothes after an exhausting sports session.

As we have commenced preparations for the end-of-year concerts, please make sure you inform your child's form tutor if you have plans of an earlier departure.

This Friday we hosted visitors from Bring Teaching to Life Congress. They were able to observe some of our lessons. In return, BISC teachers were invited to some lectures and workshops on education. We hope such cooperation will enable us to share good practice and develop as educators.

And now let's meet this week's Stars:

Foundation Bees and Bears - Malika

Year 1 Rabbits - Luke

Year 2 Dragonflies - Ahrin

Year 3 Foxes - Irene

Year 4 Owls - Oliwia T. and Oliwia R.

Year 4 Shoebills - Seo Yeong, Terry, Safiya, Emilie, Akshaya

Year 5 Coyotes - Kotaro

Year 6 Wolverines - Gayeon and Cecilia

Wishing you a relaxing weekend,

Anna Witańska
Head of Primary

News from Head of Secondary



Exams seemed to dominate the conversations this week in all secondary classrooms. All students in Year 7 to Year 10 were busy completing revision work for their end-of-year exams occurring next week, and they seemed to have kept their humour despite the larger workload. Year 11 students participated in the Korean and Spanish exams, while Year 12 took an

Economics and Mathematics exam. The GCSE and A-level exams are being held at the Dębowa gym this year which has given the students a large, quite space in order to their best on these important exams. In two weeks, secondary will be involved in many fun activities while at Green Camp, which I know everyone is looking forward to.

Enjoy your weekend,

Joe Peck
Head of Secondary

News from Polish School



Serdeczne gratulacje !

Nie miałam jeszcze okazji pogratulować zwycięzcom konkursu Przeglądu Piosenki Anglojęzycznej zorganizowanego przez naszą polską szkołę, przy współpracy z BISC Wrocław, dla uczniów wrocławskich szkół podstawowych i gimnazjów.

Po raz pierwszy zdecydowaliśmy się na taką formę promocji szkoły w lokalnym środowisku i muszę przyznać, że efekty przeszły wszelkie nasze oczekiwania. Finaliści zaprezentowali naprawdę wysoki poziom artystyczny i, pomimo młodego wieku, bardzo dobrą znajomość języka angielskiego. Po krótkiej debacie pięcioosobowe Jury, wsparte głosami młodej publiczności - uczniów Secondary School BISC, zadecydowało o przyznaniu nagród:

miejsce I: Klaudia Kerstan Gim Nr 1

miejsce II: Kacper Nowak SP Marcopolo

miejsce III: Karolina Ossuch SP 90

Dziś już mogę chyba zdradzić sekret, że mały Kacper, w ramach nagrody, pojedzie z nami na Green Camp ☺

Do zobaczenia wkrótce.

Dyrektor Szkoły
Magdalena Mrozowska

Closure of Foundation Stage – September 2017



Dear Parents,

I wish to communicate to you our decision to discontinue our operation of the Foundation Stage at our school with effect from September 1st 2017. For many years the school has provided the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum for Nursery and Reception aged pupils and this decision has one that has been given much thought and consideration.

There are a number of factors that were looked at carefully.

1. The lease for our Foundation premises on ul. Lipowa was up for renewal for a further three years this summer. This is an expensive lease and from a financial point of view we were losing money here. While such losses could be maintained in the short term we felt that we could not commit to a further lease arrangement.
2. We have looked carefully at relocating the Foundation Stage to the Small Villa where it had operated in the past. However, we concluded that these facilities were not ideal for such young children and would entail considerable reorganisation, refurbishment and expense and we have decided that this was not the best option.
3. While our numbers in Foundation have been pleasing this year we have a very small intake for September 2017 and we do not have sufficient enrolments to make the operation of the Foundation Stage financially viable.
4. In any organisation the owners and leadership needs to manage its resources prudently. The Foundation Stage, at present, is subsidised by the rest of the school and the financial commitments here put some limits on areas of development elsewhere.

I wish to pay tribute to Ms Iza Łuczowska and Ms Natalia Tomasiak who continue to provide excellent teaching and care for their Foundation pupils and we are now considering alternative roles for them in the school.

Yours sincerely,
Tom McGrath
Head of School



19th May 2017

Dear Parents,

Please find in the accompanying attachment the tuition fees, for the academic year 2017-2018.

Since the school was opened 11 years ago there has been no increase in school fees and we are planning a modest increase of 2% per annum over the next three years. Through careful planning and efficiencies BISC Wroclaw is now on a much more sustainable path with ambitious plans for the future. The increase is needed to cover our increased running costs. It is also in line with our school development plan and over the next three years we have a 20-point plan to improve the school in terms of the quality of teaching & learning, facilities, communication and teaching resources. We have a simple flat system of fees per month that covers Year 1 to Year 13. We trust that you recognise our need to increase revenue to realise our ambitious plans and I look forward to communicating with you on our progress.

I include the table below to illustrate the changes over the next three years:

Academic Year	Monthly fee* Polish złoty PLN
2016-2017	4299
2017-2018	4385
2018-2019	4473
2019-2020	4562

The monthly fee is payable in ten payments from September to June inclusive. Parents are charged the full monthly fee in the month that their child begins his/her enrolment to the school.

Please note that for the academic year 2017-2018 BISC has decided to discontinue operating the Foundation Stage at Lipowa.

Our registration fee of 2171 PLN remains unchanged.

Yours faithfully,
Tom McGrath
Head of School

YEAR 12 DREAM HOLIDAYS!

What is your 'dream holiday'? If you are lacking ideas, Year 12 provide some possible destinations to make your travel dreams a reality! Check out what they suggest are especially interesting destinations!

Eunjih Park

Australia is the country that I would like to visit. Sydney is the most famous city in Australia and there are many activities and tourist attractions. I would like to tell some of them, which I would really want to try when I go to Australia.

First of all, place called 'Featherdale Wildlife Park'. We can see many unknown animals and famous animals in Australia. There is an event, which we could touch small kangaroos and koalas.



The next place is one of the landmark in Sydney, which is Sydney Opera House. There are also outdoor activities. They are called 'Dolphin Cruise', where you can see wild dolphins and 'Port Stephens Desert Tour'.

If I have chance to go to Australia, I really want to do all of these activities.

Jaein Lee

If I had enough time and massive amount of money as I want, I would fly to the Ice Hotel in Sweden. What kind of image pops out in your mind, when you hear a word "Ice Hotel"? A solid building standing against an extremely cold weather. or a hotel surrounded by enourmous icebergs? Maybe both of them, but the most magical point of the real Ice Hotel is that it is actually made of chunks of ice. The wall, the chandelier, the floor, and even the bed as well!



The Icehotel tradition began in 1989 in Jukkasjärvi, Sweden; the hotel opened its doors this year on Dec. 12. In this gigantic hotel with 1000 tons of ice and 30000 cubic meters of "snice(snow+ice)" there are rooms such as Art Suite, Northern Lights Room, Ice Room, Snow Room or even a warm hotel room. The visitors can see the Northern Lights in the dark and clear night sky, or search around the local area by a dogsled! At night you can fall asleep in an ice bed covered by thick animal fur. or dine in the hotel restaurant and the bar which is also made of ice. This is truly a unique, fantastic holiday which I've dreamt for a long time!

Ayumi Yamada

My dream holiday is to spend time in Malaysia. If you are not sure where it is, it's located in the Southeast Asia and lies near to the equator. Since it's located near to the equator, there is only summer with rainy season and dry season. One of the reasons is because of the beautiful islands. Malaysia has total of 878 islands with emerald green ocean. As there are many people living there, cultures mix and create something new. However, people are kind and gentle. They can speak English, so we have no problems communicating with them. Of course, the tropical food tastes really good. There was some research that people who has visited Malaysia will visit Malaysia again as a repeater.

Another reason is because of the unique design skyscrapers in the capital city, Kuala Lumpur (KL). There are many shopping malls with cheaply priced goods because of the low money-rate.





Therefore, people who love shopping are able to spend all day long doing it. But the most beautiful moment in KL is at night. The most famous building in KL, “Petronas Twin Towers” lights up. Many people visit KL to see this tower lighting up as well. The tallest building in Malaysia gently lights up the sleepless city.

These are the reasons why I would like to visit Malaysia. I'm pretty sure many people have never been there. It's a good country to visit at least once in a lifetime, so please visit some day!



Asana Higaki

My destination of ‘Dream holiday’ is Japan.

I am from Japan, however there are a lot of places that I have never visited, so I want to visit there. The first is Amamioshima. Amamioshima is one of the islands in southern of Japan. There is a beautiful sea, so I want to try snorkeling.



The second place is Hokkaido.

Hokkaido is the biggest land in Japan, and seafood and milk product is famous there, so I want to eat delicious food. The climate of Hokkaido is similar to Poland, and the beautiful landscapes are also famous. We can see the view like this picture in some places.

Japan has more interesting places, so if you are interested in, you could visit during this summer vacation.

HOUSE SCORES 2016/2017



1st

Place

2nd






Place

3rd

Place

4th

Place

HOUSE SCORES	Cygnus 	Phoenix 	Lupus 	Pegasus 
Weekly Points	3	1	2	4
Weekly Winner				
Total Points	74	67	75	64
Weekly Merits	763	311	762	953
RANKING	2 nd PLACE	3 rd PLACE	1 st PLACE	4 th PLACE

Primary House Captains:

	Cygnus	Phoenix	Lupus	Pegasus
	Gayeon Lee Year 6 Wolverines Wolverines	Magda Sawicka Year 6 Wolverines	Jack Kidd Year 6 Wolverines	Madhav Sathish Year 6 Wolverines

Secondary House Captains:

	Cygnus	Phoenix	Lupus	Pegasus
	Yunhwa Jung Year 10	Yejin Lee Year 10	DongMin Seo Year 9	Jeong Min Hong Y11

Secondary House Vice Captains:

	Cygnus	Phoenix	Lupus	Pegasus
	Borys Rusko Year 7	Alicia Marie McInerney Year 7	Nada Mikati Year 7	Anastasia Lacroix Year 7



PTA BISC Wroclaw on Facebook:
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1. Bake-a-Cake and Savoury Snack Days

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

May 24th 2017 – Year 8

2. Family Carnival.

Save the date! On Saturday June 10th we will be having a family Carnival with games, food, & crafts.
More information to follow.


Yours,
PTA

Lunch Menu for May 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 May is now available online.

	22.05	23.05	24.05	25.05	26.05
Soup	Cauliflower soup	Creamy spinach soup	Cream of corn with ginger	Potatoes garlic cream	Sorrel cream
	Cauliflower and broccoli soup	Vegetable soup with lentil	Pea soup with marjoram	Barley soup	Broth with noodles
Main course	(Vege) Pasta with basil arugula pesto and parmesan cheese, salad with french dressing	(Vege) Champignon goulash, sliced potatoes, salad with french dressing	(Vege) Chickpea burger with tomatoes, salad and cucumber, home made dip	(Vege) Steamed dumplings with berries and yogurt, iceberg lettuce with carrot	(Vege) Vegetable stuffed cabbage with tomato sauce, beetroot salad
	(Meat) Spaghetti carbonara with ham and green peas, salad with french dressing	(Meat) Pork stew with champignon sauce, sliced potatoes, salad with french dressing	(Meat) Beef burger with tomatoes, salad and cucumber, home made dip	(Meat) Pork chop, mashed potatoes, iceberg lettuce with carrot	(Meat) Meat stuffed cabbage with tomato sauce, beetroot salad
	(Fish) Pasta with tuna and Green peas, salad with french dressing	(Fish) Fish goulash, sliced potatoes, salad with french dressing	(Fish) Fish burger with tomatoes, salad and cucumber, home made dip	(Fish) Cod chops, mashed potatoes, iceberg lettuce with carrot	(Fish) Pollock fillet with tomato sauce, rice, beetroot salad

AROUND BISC WROCLAW

