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Dear parents,

Last week Year 6 went on a fantastic day trip to Kletno. Seventeen pupils and three staff visited the Bear Cave and the Museum of the earth. Please take the time to see the wonderful photos and written reports prepared by our children that are prominently displayed outside the Year 6 classroom. My thanks to both Ms Joanna and Danny for organising and accompanying such a successful event!

Year 5 deserve a big thank you for collecting just over 471 pln at their bake-a-cake sale on Wednesday. Great job, Ravens, and thanks to Ms Agnieszka!! The proceeds of the sale will be put into the class fund and spent on a treat for the Year 5 children in the near future.

Over the past few days I have noticed that a

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WEEKLY SCHOOL INFORMATION, EVENTS AND NEWS



number of mums have been weeding, digging and planting in our small garden plots next to the play area. I would like to thank them for their hard work and tremendous support. I think we are all curious to see what will grow as a result!

As I'm sure you are aware, this year's Green Camp will take place between **Sunday 15th May and Thursday 19th May**. Mr Marcin has asked me to inform you that there will be a meeting for all participating parents on **Wednesday 4th May at 15.30**. This will be held in the lunchroom. May I also respectfully request that those parents who have not yet paid for the camp, please do so at your earliest convenience.

The PTA Spring Bazaar will be held in the lunchroom on **Thursday 5th May from 10.00 until the end of the day**. Donations of clothes, books, toys, DVDs, CDs, or in fact anything you have and don't want, will be readily accepted. If you have a little spare time on this day, please support the PTA with this event. They will be setting up at the beginning of school and any help you can give will be gratefully received.

Yesterday you may have noticed an unfamiliar young woman working in our Year 4 class. Ms Carolina Arancio, who is a language student from Italy, is an Erasmus student who is currently on an internship in Poland gaining valuable work experience in a number of schools in Wroclaw. Sadly, Carolina was only with us for the day, but we hope that she will return again soon!

I have received a number of comments from parents complaining that some children have been brought to school when clearly unwell, especially with coughs and runny noses. To create a workable policy, I have tabled this issue for the next Advisory Board meeting scheduled for 8th June.

And finally, may I remind you that the school will be closed next **Monday 2nd May and Tuesday 3rd May**. Normal school resumes on **Wednesday 4th May**. On behalf of the management and staff of BISC Wroclaw, I would like to wish you all a wonderful long weekend.



Best regards,
Andy Harris
Acting Head of School



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				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 Green Camp Meeting 3.30p.m. Dining room	5 P.T.A. Spring Bazaar 10.00a.m. Secondary Staff Meeting 3.40p.m.	6 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.		8
9 Primary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m.	10 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. Library	11 Savoury Snack Day Year 5 Kangaroos	12	13 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.	14	15 Green Camp
16 Primary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. Green Camp	17 Secondary Morning Briefing 8.15a.m. Library Green Camp	18 Green Camp	19 Green Camp	20 Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Secondary School Assembly 10.30a.m.	21	22

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. 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.

6. The BISC Department of Finance & Administration kindly requests that all overdue school fees and examination fees, as well as June tuition fees, are paid by 10th June 2016 at the latest. Please note that in the event of overdue payment, the School reserves the right to withhold all documents referring to the Student, including school records and examination certificates, until the outstanding fees are paid.

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.
Discussion Club	Jennifer Jones	Y2 – Y3	Year 3 Foxes room small villa	Tuesdays 3.35p.m. – 4.15p.m.
Primary Orchestra	Maciej Pośluszny	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 Club	Justyna Zając	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



This week we looked at the blossoming trees in the garden and wondered when on earth it is going to be warm again. The gardening project was progressing smoothly as the PTA mums were putting our seedlings in bigger containers or even in the gardens.

As we all enjoy the playground and the garden during and after school, I would like to remind our students that they are not allowed in the big or small villa

after school on their own. Please respect the hard work the cleaners and teachers do in the afternoons.

Speaking of teachers, our Jolly Phonics Group from Wrocław visited our sister school in Kraków at the weekend to attend the Jolly Phonics course. The training was well enjoyed by all the participants.

On Tuesday, as every year, Ms. Jen organised our BISC Spelling Bee. I would like to congratulate those who got to the finals – your spelling was very impressive!

There were 3 winners:

KS 1 group – Jiwon

Lower KS 2 group – Dong Yeong

Upper KS 2 group – Doyup

Well done, Super Spellers! The winners received trophies, merits and dictionaries.

Many thanks to Ms. Jen for preparing such a worthwhile event.

On Friday we listened to and watched the assembly on People Who Help Us prepared by Year 1 Rabbits.

There were also Stars of the Week! Here they come:

Foundation Bees – Nao

Foundation Turtles - Seoyeon

Year 1 Rabbits – Jaime, Eric and Kyu Min

Year 2 Butterflies – Jiwon

Year 3 Otters – Min Gyu

Year 3 Foxes – Seinosuke

Year 4 Shoebills – Kazuho, Seoin and Youenn

Year 5 Kangaroos - Cecilia

Year 5 Ravens – Ji Sung

Year 6 Jaguars – Alicia, Anshumali, Hae Yoon and Yunsol

Congratulations, Stars!

Wishing you a good (and long!) weekend,

Anna Witańska
Head of Primary

PS. Remember, there is no school on Monday and Tuesday

News from Head of Secondary



Year 7 to Year 9 kept quite busy this week with exams in their classes, rehearsing for the summer concert and refining their batting skills while playing baseball in their PE classes. Miss Karolina has kept the PE classes exciting for everyone and we really appreciate her

assistance with secondary PE while Mr. Marcin is still recuperating from a knee injury.

Practical exams for A-Level Chemistry and Biology ended this week and GCSE Spanish, French and German completed their speaking and writing components as well. The school will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, but eleven students will be coming in to take Geography and ESL exams at the school on Tuesday. I suppose there will be no need to hang the 'Quiet Please – Exams are in Session' signs in the hallways since these students will be the only ones in the building. Mr. Andy will be supervising the exams and greeting students as they arrive.

I would also like to take a moment to thank Mr. Andy and Ms. Wendy for standing in as the acting Head of School for the past two weeks. Their assistance in the daily school operations is greatly appreciated. Mr. Andy is usually outside greeting parents and students before school begins, so please say 'hi' if you have a chance to.

Joe Peck
Head of Secondary

Jenny : You have travelled to several place, where was your best place?

Hayoon: I travelled to so many different places, it is really hard to decide which one is the best. I suppose that Switzerland, where I have been most recently, was one of my best places I visited. There is some reason. I went there with my family by car driving more than 10 hours. That was quite frustrating. However, once I arrived in Switzerland, I forgot how much I'd been tired because of the long journey. The view was spectacular, the white snow covering whole 3000 m of mountains, and below there was a huge lake that looked like a sea and some small houses lying down the middle of the mountains. (I am still really curious how they could reach there.) It was so nice to see it and also it was a little bit different than other European countries. Therefore, it is one of the most memorable places for me.

Noeun: When have you been really happy recently? Describe it.

Jeong Min: Two weeks ago, I was really happy that I could eat Korean chicken at the restaurant. It was Wednesday and I had a test at school. After school time, I had to go to the academy with my friend. After we studied hard we were exhausted. Finally, we could have some free time after that. We usually used to eat dinner together. However, that day we decided to go straight home. We were going by tram and suddenly we changed our decision. We decided to go to the Korean restaurant and eat seasoned spicy chicken. It made us energetic and we were full of joy. We arrived at the restaurant, ordered that chicken and at last we could see the chicken in front of us. That time, I was really happy. I didn't have to worry about anything.

Hayoon: What is your dream? Not about the job you want, but what do you want to do when you grow up?

Jenny: When I grow up, I will have more freedom to use my time or money, so I want to go to concerts of the celebrities that I like. I cannot do it right now because of the limits of time, money or place. Other than that, I would also like to buy clothes for myself and be able to control my own diet. Also, I am looking forward to enjoy my hobbies more freely. I could go on a tour or even go backpacking in Europe or anywhere I wished. I would be an adult, so I would be given more choices that I could make.

Jeong Min: What things do you miss from your country? What is the best thing for you?

Neon: Now, I miss the Korean food from my country. Really common food in the street was best for me because I cannot eat what I want in Poland so it was so precious. I have much more things that I miss now. I wish I could go to shops which have lots of things for teenagers or cafe again. I hope there is something similar in Poland.



Bake-a-Cake and Savoury Days

Year 5 Kangaroos	May 11, 2016
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1. Spring Bazaar

The Spring Bazaar is going to take place on Thursday, May 5th. As usual, it's going to last throughout whole day starting from 10 a.m until the end of the school day.

You are very welcome to bring the items you wish to donate for the Spring Bazaar, such as books, games and toys, school uniforms and other clothes, etc. The drop off place for the donated items as usual is going to be the stairway landing in Small Villa.

Please note that there are going to be quite a lot of uniform items on Bazaar sale. At the same time we would like to encourage donating the uniform items which are too small for your children, but still in a good shape for somebody else to wear. Please feel free to donate also damaged uniform items with the school logo on it, as the logos can be re-used.

We would highly appreciate volunteer help for the day of Bazaar. Please contact PTA members to inform if you can attend and help. Thank you.

2. News on gardening project

At the end of this week and during the next week Primary children will be seeding and transplanting cold weather tolerating vegetables into their vegetable patches. This means the vegetable patches will stop being just empty patches with soil turned over. The vegetables will actually get planted there. Therefore, please supervise your children during the after-school play time and please remind them to stay off the vegetable patches to not ruin the work of their own and of others.

3. Round Table with PTA agenda

Please keep in mind that you are very welcome to send your comments, questions and complaints, as well as observations about positive things happening at school, to PTA e-mail address pta@bisc.wroclaw.pl . PTA will discuss your concerns with the school management and will work towards finding a solution to the problems you would point out.

Previous Round Tables with PTA agenda proved that several problems pointed at by parents have been solved and many questions did get answered. Therefore, we invite you to be active and help to work together with PTA in solving the problems which concern you at school.

Roald Dahl's Reading Competition



Hi Roald Dahl's fans!
This year we're celebrating
the centenary of the world's number one
story teller, Roald Dahl.
This is a great occasion to inspire you
to relive the classics and to invite
KS 2 and KS 3 children to take part
in a phizz-whizzing contest :)

Let's check how well you know
Roald Dahl's books:

- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
- George's Marvellous Medicine
- Fantastic Mr. Fox
- The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me
- Matilda
- Danny the Champion of the World
- James and the Giant Peach

When and Where:
31st of May 2016
1p.m. (period 6)
Library



To submit, please see Ms. Magda (Library)
Submission Deadline: 13th May 2016



2016

International Torrance Legacy Creativity Awards

Creative Writing
Visual Arts
Music Composition
Inventions

Students are invited to submit their finest creative work to help celebrate the great legacy of educator and creativity pioneer, Dr. E. Paul Torrance, author of more than 2,000 tests, articles, and books.

Submissions Accepted: January 1-August 20, 2016 | Students ages 8-18

Themes: Students are encouraged to interpret freely these themes.

- The Honor and The Glory
- A Grateful Heart
- What A Mystery!
- Couldn't Help Laughing
- Journey to Forever
- A Reluctant Adventure
- Who Would've Thought
- Exploring a New Universe

Creative Writing

Poetry and the Short Story

Creative writers may submit one poem and/or one story, responding to any one of our six themes. There is no prescribed word limit for poems; there is, however, a 1,250 word limit for stories. Students may find "Tips for Writers" supportive of their original ideas and expression (see website).

Contact:

Joan Franklin Smutny - (847) 256-1220
www.centerforgifted.org
torrancewriting@centerforgifted.org

Visual Arts

Students may submit photographs of any 2D or 3D visual art, including without limitation painting, collage, printmaking, photography, sculpture, ceramics, or other related work. Please note that you must submit a photographic representation of your work of art. *Each student may submit only one submission for the category of 2D or 3D art or both.*

Contact:

Stephen Schroth ~ (410) 704-4292 or (240) 467-7160
www.centerforgifted.org
torrancevisualarts@centerforgifted.org

Music Composition

Students may submit original musical compositions for any solo instrument or any combination of instruments or voice (e.g., solo piano, multiple instruments, voice and accompaniment, vocal duet). All submissions must include a recording of the composition and a score. *All materials must be submitted on a CD/DVD to: Edwin C. Selby, Center for Creative Learning P.O. Box 258 Branchville, NJ 07826*

Contact:

Edwin C. Selby - (973) 948-9201
www.centerforgifted.org
ecselby@me.com

Inventions

Categories: Arts and Leisure; Science and Engineering; Toys and Games. Write a 300-500 word description and include 3D drawings or photos of all aspects of the invention. *One invention accepted per category.*

Contact:

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Calendar for School Year 2016/2017

AUTUMN TERM	
Teacher's Preparation Day	01.09.2016 Thursday
Open Day for Parents	02.09.2016 Friday
Start of Term	05.09.2016 Monday
End for Half Term Break	28.10.2016 Friday
Start of Second Half of Term	07.11.2016 Monday
Polish Independence Day (school closed)	11.11.2016 Friday
End of Autumn Term (Half day)	16.12.2016 Friday
SPRING TERM	
Start of term	03.01.2017 Tuesday
The Epiphany (school closed)	06.01.2017 Friday
End for half term break	17.02.2017 Friday
Start of second half of term	27.02.2017 Monday
End of Spring Term (Half day)	07.04.2017 Friday
SUMMER TERM	
Start of term	24.04.2017 Monday
May holiday (school closed)	01-03.05.2017 Monday to Wednesday
Corpus Christi (school closed)	15-16.06.2017 Thursday and Friday
End of School Year (Half day)	30.06.2017 Friday

Lunch Menu April 2016

PRICE - 10 PLN per meal

Every day you can choose between 2 available meals.

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
02.05	03.05	04.05	05.05	06.05
School Closed	School Closed	Sesame-crusted chicken cutlet+ salad +baked potatoes/ rice or French fries	Meatballs with potatoes and salad	Fried Cod + salad+ potatoes/ rice or French fries
		Russian dumplings + tomato soup with rice	Pancakes with spinach, feta cheese and dried tomatoes	Spaghetti with tomato sauce
09.05	10.05	11.05	12.05	13.05
Devolay with mashed potatoes and salad	Meat stew with dumplings and salad	Potato dumplings in mushroom sauce with salads	Meatballs with potatoes and salad	Spaghetti with tomato sauce
Pancakes with cheese & chocolate	Penne with vegetables and chicken in cream sauce	Breaded chicken cutlet + salad + potatoes/ rice or French fries	Borscht soup + croquet with cheese and mushrooms	Steamed Cod + salad+ potatoes/ rice or French fries

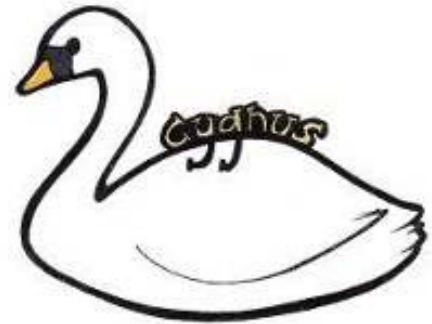
If you prefer there is also a possibility to exchange something from the menu for :

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.

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(Weekly Winner)



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AROUND BISC WROCLAW



A brief introduction to parents at BISC Wrocław