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BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL WROCLAW

NEWSLETTER

WEEKLY SCHOOL INFORMATION, EVENTS AND NEWS



Dear Parents and visitors to our website,

The winter has exacted its retribution and delivered a nasty illness upon me, so I will apologize for my absence from school and briefness of my message. Whilst I wish I had been at school the one thing I know is that if I had been there I could have passed an infection onto others, which in itself is unfair, so would like to ask everyone to consider this during this unfriendly time of the year and if unwell take time to care for yourselves and children and not make an epidemic out of illness that could recover from a few days rest and medication.

What should have happened this week will move forward to next week. So, Primary round table and secondary staff meeting next

Tuesday and all school assembly on Thursday.

I really hope the Primary school has enjoyed their carnival celebrations and am sad I haven't been there to see them (I have an idea they had something up their sleeves that might have included me which makes me more sad. This aside I hope the celebrations have been fun and that the origins of the word carnival are as follows; 'Hundred of years ago the followers of the Roman Catholic religion in Italy started the tradition of holding a wild costume festival right before the first day of Lent. Because Roman Catholics are not supposed to eat meat during Lent, they called their festival, carnevale — which means "to put away the meat."'"

Well I must conclude at this point as it's time for the Doctor. I hope you all stay happy and healthy and look forward to seeing you soon.

Again, apologies for my absence.



Best regards,
Wayne Billington
Head of School



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30 Polish for Parents (2.40p.m. – 3.25 p.m.)	31 Polish for Parents (2.40p.m. – 3.25 p.m.) Secondary Staff Meeting 3.40p.m.	1 ESL for Parents (2.40p.m.-3.25p.m.) Polish for Parents (1.50p.m. – 3.25 p.m.) Carnival in Primary School – Crazy Hair Day	2 Carnival in Primary School – Switch Day	3 ESL for Parents (8.35a.m.-9.20a.m.) Carnival in Primary School – Home-made Costume Day KS1 and KS2 parties Bake a cake Year 4 Recipes for fundraiser cookbook Deadline	4	5
6 Polish for Parents (2.40p.m. – 3.25 p.m.)	7 Polish for Parents (2.40p.m. – 3.25 p.m.)	8 ESL for Parents (2.40p.m.-3.25p.m.) Polish for Parents (1.50p.m. – 3.25 p.m.)	9 Secondary School Assembly 8.35 a.m.	10 ESL for Parents (8.35a.m.-9.20a.m.) Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m.	11	12
13 Polish for Parents (2.40p.m. – 3.25 p.m.)	14 Polish for Parents (2.40p.m. – 3.25 p.m.)	15 ESL for Parents (2.40p.m.-3.25p.m.) Polish for Parents (1.50p.m. – 3.25 p.m.)	16 Secondary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. Bake a cake Year 5	17 ESL for Parents (8.35a.m.-9.20a.m.) Primary School Assembly 8.35 a.m. PTA Pizza Day	18	19
20 Half Term Break	21 Half Term Break	22 Half Term Break	23 Half Term Break	24 Half Term Break	25	26
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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. Mr. Lee our Korean Coordinator is available:

Monday – 8.30 – 12.05

Tuesday – 11.20 – 12.05 and 1.00 – 3.20

Wednesday – 8.30 – 12.05

Thursday – 8.30 – 12.05

Friday – 8.30 – 10.10 and 12.20 – 1.50

2. Ms Hiroko, our Japanese Coordinator is available:

Monday – 11.20 – 3.25

Tuesday – 8.30 – 3.25

Wednesday – 10.30 – 3.25

Thursday – 11.20 – 3.25

Friday – 10.30 – 3.25

3. School doctor is available for Parents on Mondays from 11.a.m. till 1.00p.m.

Extra Curricular Activities

ECA	TEACHER	AGE GROUP	WHERE	WHEN
Homework Club	Richard Bywater	Y1 – Y6	Yr 3 room	Wednesday 3:30
Homework Club	Marta Mironiuk	Y1 – Y6	Yr 1 room (sparrows)	Monday 3:30
Sewing Club	Anna Witańska	Y2 – Y6	Yr 4 room	Wednesday 3:30
Newspaper Club	Kristina Galuska	Y3 – Y6	ESL room (opposite the gym)	Monday 3:30
ESL For Parents	Iwona Sokołowska	parents	ESL room in the small villa	Wednesday, period 7 Friday, period 1
Origami Club	Iza Łuczowska	Y1– Y6	Foundation room	Tuesday 3:30
Circle Art Club	Karolina Traut Karpińska	F – Y2	Year 1 room (eagles)	Tuesday 1:30
Handwriting	Diana Tonge	Y2– Y6	Year 2 room	Thursday 3:30
Card Making Club	Jennifer Jones	Y2– Y6	Year 5 room	Wednesday 3:30
Creative Writing	Joanna Schier	Y3- Y6	Year 6 room	Monday 3:30
Art Club	Hye Seung Lee	Y3- Secondary	Art room	Thursday 3:30
Football Club	Rob Jefferies Alex Sitkowiecki	Y1 – Y6	ul. Trwała 17-19	Monday 4:00 – 5:15
Swimming	Marcin Kwasiuk	Y1 – Y3	ul. Trwała 17-19	Tuesday 5:20-6:05
Swimming	Marcin Kwasiuk	Y4 upwards	ul. Trwała 17-19	Friday 5:20-6:05
Guitar Club	Maciek Posłuszny	Y3 – Y6 Y7 upwards	Music room	Wednesday 3:30 Friday 12.10
School Band	Maciek Posłuszny	Y7 upwards	Music room	Tuesday 3:30
School Orchestra	Maciek Posłuszny	Y5 upwards	Music room	Thursday 3:30
Drawing Club	Rebecca Grocott	Secondary	Year 11 room	Tuesday 12.10
Japanese for beginners	Hiroko Nagai	Secondary	Japanese room	Monday 12.10 Wednesday 12.10
Japanese for advanced students	Hiroko Nagai	Secondary	Japanese room	Tuesday 12.10 Friday 12.10
Creative writing Club	Joanna Schier	Y2 upwards	Year 6 room	Monday 3.30
Polish for Parents	Hanna Savel	Beginners	ESL room (by the gym)	Tuesdays 2.40 Wednesdays 1.50
		Intermediate	French room	Mondays 2.40 Wednesdays 2.40



This week welcomed us with piercingly cold temperatures, which made going out for the breaks quite a challenge! The children and teachers enjoyed being inside and studying.

Year 1 Eagles started reading a playscript of Goldilocks and the three bears for a puppet show and carried on with their work on countries and continents of the world. Year 2 were making electrical circuits. Year 4 analysed solids and liquids and made salt crystals in Science.

On Wednesday the BISC world went crazy, as we merrily began our Carnival Days. All the students let their hair down and eagerly took part in the Best Hairdo Contest. On Thursday the school was full of boys and girls, yet it was hard to tell who was who! Friday saw some amazing costumes, activities and even dancing in the dining hall. Many thanks to all the students who rose to our challenges and made a few faces smile.

I would also like to thank all the parents for helping us make those days funny and exciting.

On Friday we had a primary assembly. Here are our Stars of the Week:

Foundation – Mathilda
Year 1 Eagles – Joo Won
Year 1 Sparrows - Lisa
Year 2 – Jasmine
Year 3 - Sanjana
Year 4 - Hyunsoo
Year 5 - Sanghee
Year 6 – Alex

Congratulations! Wishing you a good weekend,

Anna Witańska
Head of Primary



As the A-levels exams have finished, the 6th Form students came back to their normal schedule. The students who attended the ski camp came back on Saturday and they seemed to be still a bit tired on Monday. They were fatigued, but expressed their amusement

of the days spent in Janské Lázně. They enjoyed skiing and also spending the time together. The teachers who were taking care of the children - Ms Magda, Mr Marcin and Mr Alex, deserve special thanks for their work. Students who went skiing and also those who stayed at school shared their impressions of the last week in a form of short comics, displayed in Secondary building on the first floor.

PTA parents have lately suggested a cultural event for Secondary, supported by the PTA fund, and it was decided that we will go to the opera house to see "Romeo and Juliet" ballet in March. A letter with information on the outing will be given to Secondary students soon.

The plans for the next week are similar to the last week's – we expect all of us to work hard in all subjects and activities. We hope that altogether with sound effort there will be also lots of enjoyment in the study process.

Justyna Huk
Secondary Deputy Head

International Tourism Fair
in the Cetennial Hall, ul. Wystawowa 1
on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th February
at 10:00
tickets: PLN 8 – 60

Chinese Roofs in the photos of Stefan
Arczynski
in the Museum of Architecture at ul.
Bernardyńska 5
at 12:00 on Saturday and Sunday (4-5th
February)
Tickets: PLN 10

Tangos of the world – concert
in the Wrocław Philharmonic House at.
ul. Piłsudskiego 19
on Saturday 4th February at 5:00 pm
tickets: PLN 25- 60

Chamber Concert (cello and
harpsichord)
on Sunday 5th February at 6 pm
at Rynek 6
tickets: PLN 30

Ethno Jazz – a concert of Anna Maria
Jopek
in White Stork Synagogue, ul.
Włodkowica 7
on Sunday 5th February at 7 pm
tickets: PLN 150 -50

BROCCOLI AND PASTA SOUP

Ingredients

- 3 tbsp olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves, chopped
- 2 red onions, finely diced
- 2 sticks celery, finely diced
- 1 carrot, finely diced
- 400g can peeled plum tomatoes
- 1 tbsp tomato purée
- 2 tbsp red wine vinegar
- 1 tsp sugar
- 1.3 litres vegetable stock, hot
- 500g broccoli, cut into florets, or use purple sprouting broccoli or kale
- 75g macaroni or other small pasta
- Bunch of fresh whole basil leaves
- Grated vegetarian Parmesan and extra-virgin olive oil, to serve

Method

1. Heat the oil in a large pan over a low heat. Add the garlic, onions, celery and carrot. Stir in 1/2 teaspoon salt, cover and sweat down for 15 minutes, stirring occasionally.
2. Squish the tomatoes in a colander so that you have a pulp and no juices. Add to the pot with the tomato purée, vinegar, sugar, stock and broccoli. Bring to a simmer and cook gently, covered, for 30 minutes.
3. Meanwhile, cook the pasta according to packet instructions. Drain and stir into the soup along with the basil. Season to taste.
4. Divide between bowls. Put the Parmesan and olive oil on the table so that people can help themselves.

What's on in Foundation Class

Clay workshop

One of the best things Foundation children did in January was clay craft. On Tuesday 24th January we went to a professional clay workshop. Clay crafting is a great way for children to build and better motor skills, as they learn to use their hands to handle different tools and crafting techniques that will turn their designing skills and conceptual ideas into reality.

The children were given clear instructions step by step and they all came up with beautiful, unique mugs. The instructors will take care of firing our clay mugs and will return these to school when ready. Clay craft was bound to get children's hands dirty, but the result was worth it!

I am really happy I have creative geniuses in my class, always full of fresh original ideas!

Fruit Salad

On Friday 27th January we were concluding our study of the Healthy Way of Living. We made a real fruit salad for a nourishing class snack.

Each child brought their favourite fruit to add to our salad. We had apples, bananas, pears and more unusual fruits, such as kiwi, berries, or grapes. We were discussing how each fruit must be prepared for a salad (washing, peeling and cutting) and then children were participating as much as possible in the preparation.

We were singing Fruit Salad by the Wiggles and then doing a sequencing activity, putting the fruit salad together the same way as it says in the song. All Foundation children ate our fruit salad with big appetite!

A huge THANK YOU to all Foundation parents and children who brought in the fruit on that day!

Iza łuczowska
Foundation Form Tutor



Humanitarium Science Exhibition

Year 7 and 8 went to a science exhibition. We met everybody at 8.20 or 30 and we took 3 taxis to go there. We spent 2 hours. We arrived at the 'Humanitarium' and we saw Polish children. They said, 'anyounghaseoyo'. It means 'hello' in Korean. We had 18 people so we divided into 2 groups. First, we took off our jackets and bags. We met English guides. Next we went into the main room and went to the Acid Lab. In this room we met another English guide and we put on lab coats. We sat down on the chairs and made groups. There were 5 groups. In front of us there were papers, they were worksheets. In the experiment we cut a lemon and squeezed it, we tasted it and it was good! For the second experiment we cut pieces of cabbage really small. After that we put on safety glasses. There was a big beaker, we put the cabbage in the big beaker. We put hot water inside and it turned a purple colour. In front of us there were small beakers, so the English guide divided us into groups to put washing powder, vinegar, lemon juice, fizzy drink and shampoo into the beakers. They turned different colours. After that experiment there was free time, so everyone went to a different place. There were many fun things and everybody liked it.

We came out to the main room and went to a 'Human Body' room. In the 'body' room there was a quiz, but it was in Polish, so Ms Maria had to translate for us. After that, we came back to the main room and played. At 10.30 we went for the bus. We arrived back in school at 11.50 and ate lunch. If you want to go there the address is 'Pracze Odrzanski'.

Eun-Ji Park
Year 7

Today I went to a Science Exhibition with Year 7. We went by taxi - 25 minutes. There were 3 taxis and I rode with the Year 7 girls. After we arrived we entrusted our coats to an entrust desk and we divided into 2 teams; Year 7 and Year 8. Year 8 was the Blue Team and Year 7 was the Red Team. We went to a laboratory and we did some experiments. First we squeezed some lemons to get juice and cut some cabbage into small pieces, we put it in boiling water. It turned a deep blue colour. We put that in to our testing bench and put some other things like vinegar, soap, washing powder, sprite and lemon juice and it turned red, green and blue. It was quite good. We painting a picture with the colours but I had only had pink and green so I couldn't draw well. Next we went to a multimedia room and we saw some body parts, like lungs, livers and hearts There was so many front edge machines. We saw some creepy pictures and we played some funny games! Next we went into the experience room and we measured our weight. I was not bad but Yezu didn't want to weighed. I measured my heart beat, it was 56~60. I don't know what it means. I also brushed the teeth in a giant mouth. It was good time :-)

Min Seo Kwon
Year 8

AROUND BISC WROCŁAW

