

The British International School of Brussels

Dear Parents,

Newsletter for the week of April 29th, 2022

The sensory delights of sandy spaghetti worms!



It's been another busy week with discoveries and exciting new work in every classroom as the topics and last science units really get underway. Bright new displays of work are going up and there's that enthusiastic buzz everywhere as children explore and share new learning and new experiences.

The year 2s had a fantastic day out at the Folon Museum, enjoying a truly wonderful, guided visit through the magical world of Folon and his daydreams, followed by an inspiring workshop creating their own watercolour painting of a boat to tie in with their topic on Journeys. The museum really is worth a visit if you have the opportunity to get out to La Hulpe – there are rooms totally filled with mirrors, beautiful pieces of art and sculpture, and, to complete the visit, a star-studded spherical room filled with music and space to dream – truly magical! Then there is the huge park, with woodland, lakes, open grassy spaces and well laid-out paths for walking, buggies and bikes. You can take a look at the Year 2 photos here: https://www.flickr.com/photos/157096587@N03/sets/72177720298444342/



Well-deserved congratulations go to Aadriyan and

Aditya in Year 6 and Trishan in Year 5, for their great performances in the UK Primary Mathematics Challenge. They qualified for the Bonus Round Final and recently received their awards and rewards. Well done to all who participated in the earlier rounds and very well done to these three!

In Oak the Inter-House Archery Competition started this week with the Year 6s taking up their bows.



Congratulations to Aditya who scored the highest points, followed by Anwitha and Crishelle in joint second place, and Tharun in third. The scores from each class will be added together to find the winning house. After the year 6's opening round, the Woodpeckers are in the lead, followed by the Hares and then the Owls.

Next week sees the first semi-final of the **FIFTEEN15 Interclass cricket** takes place next Tuesday lunchtime – fingers crossed for some sun as we cheer them on, but we know that the summer is truly here as the cricket kit comes out!



Congratulations to Sujathaa in Year 5 for being the Most improved Monster Maths champion in mental maths for April 🚱

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Information for the week



• It is the turn of the second Year 1 group to go to the Castle Club swimming pool next week. Please make sure that your child brings their swimming costume, hat and towel in a small backpack, (goggles are optional) on Thursday. We travel to and from the pool by coach after snack and return by lunchtime.

Please could you also remember to **name each item** of clothing – every piece of uniform looks the same once it is in a heap on the changing room bench!



• On Monday, the Years 1 and 2 will have their first experience of a play in French at the Montagne Magique theatre in the centre of Brussels. This is a last-minute arrangement as the theatre found themselves with spare tickets, but, given the superb quality of their very varied performances, we felt it was too good an opportunity to miss. We will leave school just after 9h (please don't be late), travel to the theatre by coach and return in time for lunch. Please make sure that your child is wearing clean, smart uniform.



• The year 3s will be visiting Technopolis, the interactive Science Experience Centre in Mechelen on Friday, 13th May. This is to tie in with their class topic on Inventors and Inventions, and the Science theme of Forces and Magnets. They will leave school promptly after 9h travelling to Mechelen by coach and return in the afternoon.



If you need a receipt for reimbursements or have questions about invoices for next year, please email Mr. Prescott at <u>bisbbursar@telenet.be</u>



Folon's surreal umbrella ... made of water!

> Zlata creating her own 'Green man' sculpture in garden art club



Well done to everyone for a week of hard work, and a particular well done to the following:







Nursery:

Reyan, for settling into Nursery with a big smile! Well done! Jacklyne, for being very gentle with the ladybird she found inside Nursery.

Reception:

Advik, for his good work on Maths, counting and writing numbers.

Deetya, for her amazing artwork using spaghetti worms.



Year 1:

Nithya, for being an all-round SUPERSTAR! Your new school will love you as much as we do Nithya.

Anujan, for writing some excellent definitions for his Glossary page.

Year 2:

Jahnavi, for excellent informative writing.

Gokulainiyan, for trying hard with his reading, and making good progress.

Year 3:

Karan, for writing some great sentences in our 'Wolves in the Walls' sessions.

Vedant, for quick, accurate work in Maths and managing to complete the coding task in such a short time.

Year 4:

Akshathsai, for his calm and patient leadership during our bridge building activity in science.

Lavishka, for good work with ordering 1 and 2 place decimal numbers in maths.

Year 5:

Chethan, for a well executed experiment into rusting.

Navnoor, for her vivid painting of the Boston Tea Party.

Year 6:

Crishelle, for reflecting carefully when attempting to translate Shakespearean English into modern day language. Super effort, thank you.

And finally, a fitting quote for a week of creativity, exploration and discovery ...





The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes but in having new eyes















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