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Thursday 11th and Friday 12th November for staff training

2nd November 2010

From the Principal

Welcome back to all parents and pupils after the half-term break. I hope that you found some decent weather and a bit of space for family time.

Now we are into the duller autumn months, please take the opportunity to remind young people about safety on roads and on cycle lanes. A bit of vigilance at all times will help to avoid accident or incident.

On the brighter side, please support the Coffee Morning on Thursday in AvDstraat. Our Indian parents are celebrating Diwali - and by all accounts, Thursday will be a powerful antidote to any autumn blues. Warm thanks to them in advance and best wishes to all for the

Upper Junior School News

It was good to see all the children back yesterday. This half term, we are thinking about **Getting On and Falling Out**, as part of our SEAL theme. We have been looking at ways to make a perfect friend, and the kinds of ingredients you need to supply to make that friend. In assembly, the children provided ideas for qualities they could show to become great friends. We are also planning what ingredients to put in to a special **Shoe-Box gift** that each child will send to a less fortunate child as part of our Charity Sponsorship for EduKans. The shoe box collection is next Wednesday, 10th November. In PE, children across the Upper Juniors are now learning all about basketball, so each child will need an indoor PE kit for the rest of this term. Lessons take place in the gym next to the school. Children will need a good coat for school each day, as all children go onto the playground unless it is very wet.

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Nursery/Infant School News

Welcome back to school after the half term break, we hope that you all had a good holiday. We hope too that your children were eager to return to school this week and are looking forward to the events planned for this half term.

We would like to pass our congratulations on to Mrs. Frechilla (Nursery Nurse, NDM). She gave birth to a little boy Mauro just before the end of the half term. Mrs. Frechilla has sent the Nursery some photographs—Mauro looks delightful. We wish them all well and hope that both Mauro and Mrs. Frechilla will come and visit soon.

Please be reminded that a Cake Sale is planned on Thursday 4th November. All money raised will be donated to Cancer Research UK. If you would like to contribute to the sale, please bring your cakes to school on either Wednesday 3rd November or on the day of the sale itself. **Please remember that we are a 'nut free zone', therefore no cake should contain nuts.** Children will be able to buy the cakes on sale throughout the day. Please give your child a small amount of money in a named sealed envelope or purse. Any cakes that are not sold during the day will be on sale after school.

As the weather is continuing to turn colder, please ensure that you child comes to school wearing the appropriate clothes to play outside, including hats and scarves. Please ensure that all items of clothing are named so that lost or misplaced items can be returned to the rightful owner. If your child has lost an item of clothing, please check the lost property box in the Reception area. Any unclaimed items of clothing are donated to the clothing bins around Amsterdam at the end of each term.

And finally, Class RS will perform their class assembly on Friday 5th November.

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Lower Junior News



Hi Everyone,

YEAR 2 MEXICAN DAY: Just before the half term holiday the Year 2 children held a themed 'Mexican Day' as part of their Humanities topic. The children learnt about the country of Mexico, the food, the culture and the traditions! Everyone had a lot of fun and we'd like to say a big thank you to all the staff and parents who helped to

make the day special and fun!

SEAL THEME: Getting On—Falling Out: We started our new PSHE theme this week. The children heard the story of 'Naughty Harold' this morning at assembly! The children are finding out that 'falling out' with others is a part of life, but there are strategies they can use to help them to fix problems they may have so that they can 'get on' again.

PARENTS' CONSULTATIONS: These take place this week for the Lower Junior School parents on Tuesday from 5pm to 8pm and Thursday from 4pm to 6pm. We are looking forward to welcoming our parents to the school and to sharing their child's progress and success so far with them.

WEBLOG: Don't forget, you can always pick up the latest news from the Lower Junior School at: www.lowerjuniors.com Have a great week!

Secondary News

Welcome back to all students in secondary, I hope everyone had a relaxing week.



There is a busy half term ahead of us, and this week the GCSE Business Studies students are running an *Apprentice* style business. They have 20€ and just one week to make as much profit as possible. One group is running a pick and

mix counter, another a jelly bean shop. How our future captains of industry perform will be disclosed next week!



Expeditions will take place earlier this year to allow all students to take part. The date is the week commencing February 14th and there will be opportunity for students to choose a city trip to France, Spain or Edinburgh, Skiing in Switzerland or an activity week at school. Details will be following soon.

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Weekly Newsletter

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You are all invited to Thursday's Coffee Morning

This week it's the hugely popular, always colourful and ever delicious:

INDIAN COFFEE MORNING

All welcome - 8.45am - 10am, Infant School Hall, Anthonie van Dijckstraat.

We hope to see you on Thursday!



BSA Wintermarket

Sunday November 28th, 2010

This will be the second school Wintermarket. It is a lovely day for children and parents alike, a true family affair.

Would you like to help? There are plenty of opportunities to get involved, either helping to organise, or on the day.

If you are interested in helping, please contact us.

Gifts stalls and food stalls.

We still have a couple of places for stalls... Do you make jewellery, or cakes, or are you an artist? Or perhaps you have something else to sell?

Or do you know someone that has lovely products? Then don't be shy - call us or encourage them to have a stall.

The BSA Wintermarket was a HUGE success last year and we have no doubt that it will be even greater this year .

Please contact Jacqueline Ruesink ruesink@yahoo.de or 0612394103

Thank you!