

Please remember that the School is closed for the half term
Monday 25th October—Friday 29th October



Weekly Newsletter

19th October 2010

From the Principal

Congratulations to all runners, young and adult alike, who took part in the fun-runs at yesterday's marathon. Such a beautiful morning for the occasion; I hope that everyone enjoyed being part of the event.

To those who ran, please accept my apologies for not being there to support. I committed myself weeks before to an appointment which I could not miss.

Best wishes to all for the half-term week which approaches. I hope that it will be lovely family time for you all.

John Light

Upper Junior School News

This week we are holding **our Autumn Term Parents' Consultation Evenings**. These are ten minute meetings with your child's class teacher, and are a good chance to discuss the progress your child has made so far this term, and look at targets for the coming year. Please contact the teacher if you have not already signed up for an appointment.

Congratulations to all children, staff and parents who ran in the marathon over the weekend—a great turn out and some fantastic times—we will celebrate on Friday in our assembly! Also this Friday, the Upper Juniors and Secondary schools are holding a special **Non-uniform Day** in aid of Breast Cancer Research—wear something pink and raise awareness of this important cause!

Have a great half term break!

REMINDERS...

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Nursery/Infant School News

Friday will see the end of the first half term of the academic year 2010-2011. We hope that your children have enjoyed their first experiences of a new school or class and are continuing to enjoy the new challenges of a new year group. Please take the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher this week at Parents Evening, either on Tuesday 19th October 17.00—20.00 or Thursday 21st October 16.00—18.00. It is important to keep in regular contact with your child's teacher. If you have a child in Reception or Year 1, I hope that you enjoyed visiting the classes during "Open Week" and were able to experience a 'normal' working day. You will have gathered that the children get very excited when there are visitors to the classroom, last week was no exception. This week class RGP will perform their assembly on Friday at 09.05 in the Nursery/Infant School Hall. There are a number of events planned for next half term including Charity events, Open Week for the Nursery classes, Sinterklaas, The Year One production and Christmas parties. Obviously more details will follow regarding each individual event. There is also inservice training for all the staff at the British School on Thursday 11th and Friday 12th November. The staff training focuses on Learning Support and English as an additional language. The School is closed to children on these two days.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all as parents. We feel it has been a successful start to the year—your support and positive comments are much appreciated. We wish you a good half term holiday and look forward to the new half term ahead.

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Lower Junior News



MINI MARATHON STARS: Well done and congratulations to all the children and their families from across the school who took part in yesterday's marathon, half marathon and 1km race! The weather was just right and as you can see from the photographs there were lots of smiling faces. Our thanks to Mr Foulke who organised our school's participation in the event and to Mrs Mulhall for providing the photographs!

YEAR TWO NEWS: It is a busy week for the Year 2 children. They have their school trip on Wednesday to the Hermitage Museum and on Friday they are having a themed 'Mexican Day' as part of their Geography topic.

YEAR THREE NEWS: It is Mr Chapman's class assembly on Wednesday and the Year 3's are sharing their 'talking boxes' with each other this week.

PARENTS' CONSULTATIONS: These take place for the Lower Juniors parents after the half term holiday.



Secondary News

International Award - The 8th and 9th October was the first practise for the Bronze level for International Award. The students from Y9 and 10 who are participating in the Award camped out at the school field to learn basic camp skills and completed a 10km walk the next day carrying all their camping gear. All the new students found the experience exhausting but rewarding and, on the whole enjoyable. The students were mentored by 2 Silver Award students from Y11. A big thank you to Sarah Loiler, Archana Gopalakrishnan, Mr Gilmore and Mr Eason who accompanied us. If you have any questions regarding the International Award please contact Ms. M. Lamb— m.lamb@britams.nl

Friday 22nd October - To support the Breast Cancer Awareness Day, the Secondary School will be having a non-uniform day. However, this is no ordinary non-uniform day, it has a pink theme! If you wish to support the day, please send your child to school wearing something pink and donate €1 to the charity fund. Children who choose not to wear pink clothes but do come to school in non-uniform should donate €2. There will be goodies to buy during the day too. A well done goes to Priscilla in Year 13 for all her hard work organising this day.

Year 7 Parents Evening - A reminder that there will be a Year 7 parents evening on Tuesday 19th October 4.00pm—6.30pm. Also on the evening the Year 11's will be selling cakes and biscuits to raise money for their Year book which they are currently producing.

Parking - A reminder that cars should not come down the access road at the start and end of the school day. This is to ensure that children coming to school and leaving in the evening do so safely. Thank you for your cooperation.

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You are all invited to Thursday's Coffee Morning

"Getting to Know You"

8.45am - 10am, Infant School Hall, Anthonie van Dijkstraat.

How well do you know Amsterdam?

This week Lynn from Access joins us with useful information to help boost our local knowledge!

Plus - the usual welcoming coffee, cake and chance to a chat

We hope to see you on Thursday!



BSA Wintermarket

Sunday November 28th, 2010

Thank you! We've had a fantastic response to our request for stalls. We still have space for 2 or 3 more so please get in contact if you are interested

Cake & Cookie Decorating: Would you like to work on this stall? It is a BIG HIT with the children and lots of fun!

Sushi: we still need volunteers for this popular stall - can you and your friends help with this?

Toilet Rolls Required: Our Craft Room organiser needs cardboard toilet rolls and other useful craft material. Please start saving and bring to the coffee morning kitchen.

Raffle Prizes: If you are having a tidy up and find something lovely for the raffle, set it aside! Can your company donate? All will be gratefully received.

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!