



## Newsletter No.14: December 9th 2011

Welcome to our first e-newsletter, which will hopefully reach you without too many hitches! Please remember to inform the office if you change your e-mail address.

### Fritids Provision

It has been pointed out to me that my item regarding Fritids, in last week's newsletter, may have led to some confusion. To clarify the situation, we will continue to provide an expanding range of after school activities at BIPSS. Futura International After-School Centre has informed me of their intention to offer pre and post school 'fritids-style' **child care** for 6 to 12 year old children.

### Expansion

As you know, the Board and I have been actively looking at expanding our school to cater for older students (and to provide more space and facilities for all pupils). There will be a meeting for all parents early next term to outline our long term expansion plans.

In the meantime, I am pleased to be able to announce that from August 2012, we will be offering an option for Year 7 children. This is likely to take the form of a mixed Year 6/7 class, working alongside another Year 6 class.

### Christmas Carol Concert

A reminder that the Christmas Carol Concert will be held next Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December, at Djursholms Kapell, Danavägen 9, Djursholm. The concert will start at 7 p.m. and involves children in Years 4-6 and the school choir. Parents and children in other year groups are warmly welcome to come and join the audience.

Children in Years 4-6 and the school choir should be in the chapel by 6.40 p.m. at the latest and should report to Miss Swan. All other children should sit with their families in the congregation. Parents are kindly asked to remove children's outdoor clothing and take care of these during the service.

We would like to remind the children who are performing to wear clothing with the colours of blue and white.

We look forward to you joining us on 13<sup>th</sup> December for our concert in what is a delightful setting for such a festive event.



### Team 2 Assembly

Many thanks to Dr. Anna-Pelagia Magiorakos for her extremely interesting and informative assembly about flu and hand hygiene this week. This was very much appreciated by both the children and staff.



### Christmas Lunch

Our caterers will be providing a traditional Christmas lunch of turkey for the children on **Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December**. Please note that lunch will be provided for all children from Reception upwards. A vegetarian option will be provided. Please inform Susan in the office if your child has any dietary issues.

### Christmas Gift Grotto

Many thanks to the wonderful mother 'elves' who organised and ran the Gift Grotto for children this week. This was a huge job but the children had a great time selecting their secret presents and are very excited about giving these at Christmas.



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### Extra Curricular Activities

Next week the Choir and Hockey clubs will take place as usual. The Basketball and Choir clubs held on Tuesday **will not** take place due to the Carol Concert, neither will Computer or Library on Thursday. All private music tuition and chess is as advised by the tutor.

Information regarding extra curricular activities for the Spring term will be sent home during the first week of term.

The Team 3 production activity will begin on Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> January and children involved will be notified by me next week.

### Swimming

A reminder that there will be **no** swimming lessons next week.

Our swimming programme resumes on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> January with Years 2, 3 & 6 swimming during the Spring term. A letter will be sent to all parents in these classes in the first week of term, giving full details of the programme.

### School Lunches

10<sup>th</sup> January until 5<sup>th</sup> April. Please return the form for school lunches for the period 10th January to 5th April, to the office **if you wish to make any change** to your child's current lunch arrangement. Please do not make any payment before you receive the invoice when the new term starts.

### New Children

We bid farewell to those families moving on at the end of term. We will be welcoming some new children to the BIPSS community next term so please be ready to meet and greet new faces!

### End of Term

The school term ends next Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> December, at **12 noon**. Please make the necessary arrangements to collect your child(ren) at this earlier time. School re-opens on **Tuesday** 10<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at 8.30 a.m.

Please note that, on the last morning of term, all staff and children at the school gather together for a traditional theatrical celebration. This means that the school **will not** be accessible between 10.30 a.m. – 11.55 a.m.

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Principal

