

## **NEWSLETTER / BULLETIN D'INFORMATION**

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### **INTERNATIONAL WEEK 2017 IN PRIMARY AND EARLY LEARNING**

The international week was a huge success! We were privileged to have parents come each day to lead writing workshops with the children (Greek, Korean, Chinese, Hebrew, Russian, and Arab). The pupils discovered all about new alphabets and ideograms, listened to and wrote their names in new languages, and discovered the art of Calligraphy. We kindly thank all of the parents who took part and shared their cultures with us so generously.

Danica Urbani, author and editor, came to give a workshop all about the origins of writing to the primary students. This was linked to our art project, led by artist Benoit Cary, who came to run a workshop with the Early Learning pupils.

The section walls are now decorated with the magnificent work completed by the pupils, and all parents are invited to come and view the superb displays. There are also many articles posted on the BIS blog, containing images taken from the International Week.

The pupils were clearly enthusiastic and enriched by this precious experience of sharing our roots with the rest of our community.

### **INTERNATIONAL WEEK IN SECONDARY**

LMS benefited from trilingual inputs: one in French on a play adapted from « Around the World in 80 Days » by Jules Verne; one in Spanish on the discovery of Venezuela (followed by a Hispanic food tasting); one in English on inventions.

Games in Math, STEM and languages were conducted between the school sections. They created algorithms to communicate with robots. LMS and UMS worked very well in English on the project « Around the World in 80 Books ». The oldest students studied solutions to energy problems and the best and worst inventions in the Business world...

Everyone reflected on the great inventions of the world, on numbers, and LMS even thought of their own inventions such as « hover shoes » and a pen which recognises the voice and does all the homework!

UMS created an interactive quiz on inventions...

As in Primary, everyone contributed to exhibitions and poster presentations of stimulating moments which parents can come and discover in the school.

You can also find photos of these great moments on the blog: (<http://www.bordeaux-school.com/fr/blog>)

## **BUILDINGS FOR SECONDARY FOR 2017/2018**

Our elevation project for the Secondary building is being finalised. The building works will begin at the end of June. (The presentation of the project is accessible on the home page of our ENT).

During the school year 2017/18 the students in Secondary (from LMS1/CM2 to « A » level ») will have the majority of their lessons in another place. This will be situated in a building already devoted to teaching and learning, at 190 rue Lecocq (Tram A-Gravinières or bus line 9 – stade Chaban-Delmas) and in an environment which is very favourable to studying: a calm street, easy access, not far from the Boulevards.

BIS will rent the second and top floor of a building which already receives students of “post bac” level on the ground floor and a bilingual crèche on the first floor. The students will have a small courtyard at the back of the building, in full security, as well as a dropping off point for students thanks to a private access.

Sporting activities will continue at the Stade Chauffour. The question of meals is still in the process of being resolved and we will keep you informed as soon as possible.

## **CALENDAR:**

Please remember to regularly check all dates on the website calendar at: <http://www.bordeaux-school.com/en/events>

- 17.02.17 – 05.03.17 : Half-term holidays
- 06.03.17 : Return from Winter break
- 07.03.17 : PTA meeting 8h30
- 10.03.17 : Primary & Early Learning : Carnival
- 14.03.17 : Early Learning – parents-teachers meetings 1/2
- 16.03.17 : Early Learning – parents-teachers meetings 2/2
- 28.03.17 : Secondary – Repts and teachers meeting
- 29.03.17: French and Spanish IGCSE orals
- 31.03.17- 02.04.17: International Award practice

Wishing you all an excellent vacation until Monday 6th March when we see each other again.

Kind regards

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