



Newsletter 8

23rd October 2009

Half term

Can you believe that we are already on our half term break? The past 8 weeks have simply flown by and have been packed full of fun and learning for ALL of us. Some of the highlights have been the arrival of new families, staff and babies. And everyone was so excited about the new facilities and especially the hall, which has been put to excellent use for assemblies, PE and gym, music lessons and clubs. The welcome back picnic was also one of the highlights of the term, and was really well attended – the gardens should be a riot of colour in the Spring when the bulbs that you planted come up!

I am sure that as the children look back, they will remember the wonderful 'days out' that they had. Nursery and Reception each had a walk in the local woods and village. Year 1 went up to the Aldi to do a bit of 'shopping'. Year 2 spent a morning at Stockel market buying fresh produce in French, and then made a delicious soup from it. And the Year 3/4 class had their trips to the Ardennes and the History Museum, which stretched their French language skills, as well as adding so much to their topic on the Romans. As a school, we will continue to promote these visits throughout the year, to give children the opportunity to learn about and engage in the world around them.

Congratulations

We are pleased to announce that Tomasz and Agnieszka Sobczynski have had a baby girl. Olga arrived on Tuesday evening and according to her 'big brother' Wiktor, she is small and pretty!

Appointment

Although we are very sad to be taking leave of Janet today, we are also very pleased to announce the appointment of her successor, Sarah Hood. Sarah and her family have been in Tervuren for 18 months, having relocated here from Italy, where she held a similar position at the British School of Milan. She will be starting in the front office on Monday 2nd November 2009, so please do pop in and introduce yourself to her on that day. We trust that Sarah will soon feel very much a part of the St Paul's BPS family.

Coffee Morning in Aid of the Macmillan Cancer Charity

Thank you to everybody who came along to the coffee morning last Friday morning. With your generous donations, €275 was raised for the Macmillan Cancer Charity, so thank you for your support of this worthwhile cause.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 26 – Friday 30 October Half term

Monday 2 November	School starts
Wednesday 11 November	Public Holiday
Friday 13 November	In-Service (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday 17 November	Parent Contact Meetings – 6:00 to 8:00 pm The Ark Bible Club 4:30 to 5:45 pm
Wednesday 25 November	Parent Contact Meetings – 4:00 to 6:00 pm
Wednesday 9 December	Christmas 'shopping' morning
Saturday 12 December	Christmas Fair from 2:00 to 4:00 pm
Tuesday 15 December	Christmas Concert Dress rehearsal
Wednesday 16 December	Christmas Concert at 11:00 am
Thursday 17 December	Carols Evening 6:30 for 7:00 pm
Friday 18 December	End of term, 12 noon

Also please keep checking the school website for the publication of the new school calendar.