



8 November 2019

# Primary News

## A word from Mrs Železinger

Primary students have enjoyed lots of events within and outside of school in these past two weeks.

Halloween Party, with workshops, games and goodies was organised by the PTA last week for all of BSL Community. Students were able to show off their wonderful costumes in the Halloween Parade. I would like to say a big thank you to the PTA for all the effort they put into decorating the school and creating an exciting atmosphere for all to enjoy.

On Monday 4th November, students and staff learned about our Founder Jeremy Hibbins. A tree-planting ceremony was held in the school woodland as a memorial.

This Wednesday, new parents and students visited the school for the Open Day. Well done to all the primary students for being such good hosts, showcasing their work and welcoming visitors to join into classroom activities.

Students from each class presented an important person in history in our Primary Assembly today, as part of the Humanities theme and competition of this Block. Well done to Y6A for winning with their presentation of Ivan Pavlov, a Russian physiologist, known chiefly for his development of the concept of the conditioned response. One of his famous sayings:

*'Don't become a mere recorder of facts, but try to penetrate the mystery of their origin'* - by Ivan Pavlov

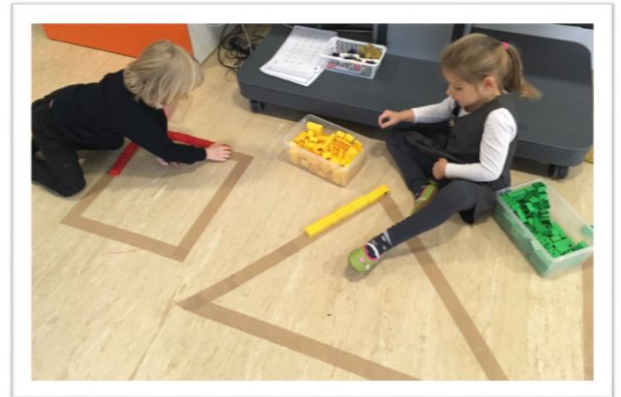
I would like to wish you all a lovely break.

*Mrs Železinger, Head of Primary*

## Class Teacher Reports

### Early Years

Early Years have been learning about 2D shapes as part of their Patterns Topic. They have been making shapes with lego, paint and stamps. They have been ordering and sorting different shapes as well as finding shapes around the classroom. The best part has been creating their own special patterns with shapes!



*Mrs O'Hara*

### Year 2

Year 2 have had a fantastic block with lots of fun and exciting things happening. In Topic, we have been looking at ways to keep our brains healthy and the most effective ways we can learn. This week, we discussed ways in which we can look after our brains, identifying that exercise was an important element in maintaining our brain healthy. Year 2 have been working very hard throughout this block and I am looking forward to the coming weeks and starting our new topic 'celebrations'.

*Ms Harris*

## Year 5

Wow, what a pleasant block Year 5 have had. This week we loved attending the Ljubljana museum and finding out about the history of different civilisations. Children have written their end of unit assessment in English which contained language fit for a full-time writer.

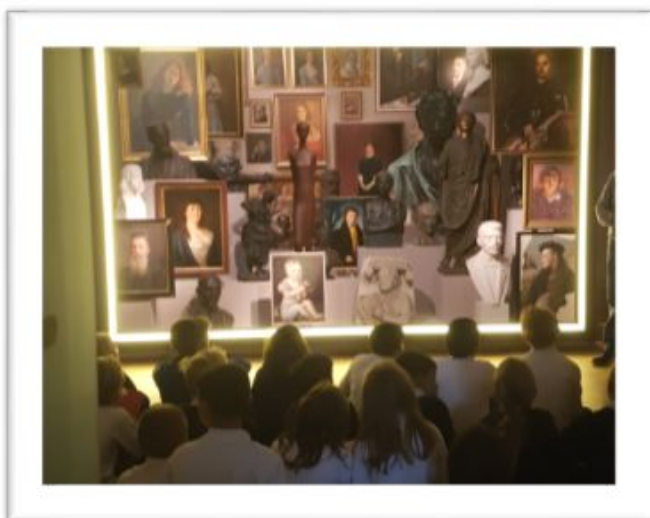
In Maths, we have been exploring fractions and investigating the amounts of ingredients needed to make a cake. I can't wait for Block 3!

*Mr Walker*

## Year 5 & 6 Trip

### CITY MUSEUM OF LJUBLJANA

Tuesday of this week saw Year 5 and 6 travel to the centre of the town to visit the City Museum of Ljubljana.



This tied in perfectly with the Topics Year 5 and 6 worked on in Block 1 - 'Settlements' and 'Civilisations'. We got to see the rich history of Ljubljana from 42,000 years ago to the present day: Pile-dwellers, Emona, Middle and New Ages, the 20th and 21st centuries, all with authentic artefacts, including the world's oldest wooden wheel!

The best part though was wearing Roman armour and entering the dragon's lair.

*Mrs Charlesworth*

## Departmental News

### Music

Performing Arts students (from Y2 through Y7) are continuing to work on their musical, A Christmas Carol. They look forward to presenting it to the school community on Wednesday, December 4th, at 4 pm. Please note the changed date on your calendar!

*Mrs Reindl*

### PE

We would like to thank again all the students, parents and teachers who were involved in this year's marathon event. We think this is one of the best and biggest sports events to get a chance to represent and show our school sport spirit. Next year we will do it again, hopefully in an even bigger number.

*Mr Damjan*

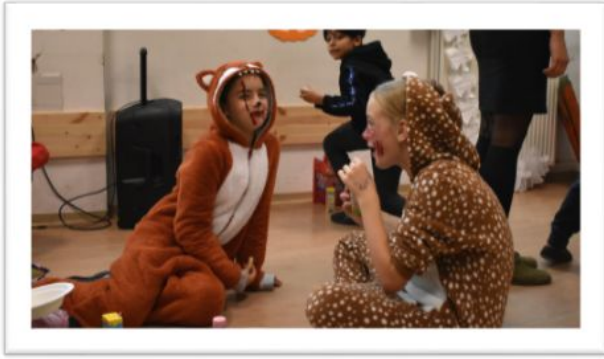
## Other News

### Halloween Party

We were delighted with our spooky Halloween celebrations this year at the British International School of Ljubljana!



A very special thanks to our wonderful PTA who organised this fantastic occasion and decorated the school from top to bottom. We appreciate the time, effort and organisation that went into this special day. We are also grateful for the support of all parents involved in the costumes, decorations, finger food, and attending our Halloween afternoon party.



We would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our amazing Sixth Form students who organised a 6th Form Movie Night for our younger students.

### Founder's Day

It has been an honour to celebrate Founder's Day this year with a range of tributes, together with a planting ceremony of a memorial tree in our Woodland Area.



The ceremony began with a speech by Mr Walton, written by Paul Hibbins, giving a beautiful background to Jeremy, his vision and how he set up our school here in Ljubljana. How his life revolved around teaching and education matters, his pedagogical ideas and his passion for music. The ceremony concluded with a few special words from our Year 12 student, Christopher Charlesworth, who recounted some wonderful memories of Jeremy.



The memorial tree planted in our Woodland Area will serve a meaningful dedication to Jeremy Hibbins and will be a permanent reminder for future staff and students to observe.

### Open Day

We've had an activity-packed Open Day here at BISL! Open Days are the perfect opportunity for families to tour our facilities, find out how our students learn, meet our teachers, and speak to some of our students, giving a real first-hand experience of our growing school.



Starting with a presentation about our strengths as a school by our Principal, Mr Walton, to showcase the learning happening here at BISL, our visitors were able to take part in some interactive activities in lessons across both Primary and Secondary school during their personalised tour around the school.

### Dates to Note

#### School Calendar 2019-20

To see our school calendar with major dates click on the link below:

<https://britishschool.si/school-life/term-dates-1>

#### School Events Calendar 2019-20

To see a version with all major events on, click on the GREEN button 'Events Calendar 2019-20'.

## November

Mon	Nov 18th	Block 3 begins
Thu	Nov 21st	IGCSE Information Evening
Wed	Nov 27th	Christmas Carol
Thu	Nov 28th	Sixth Form Information Evening

## December

Sun	Dec 1st	26th annual SILA bazaar.
Fri	Dec 6th	Reports issued
Tue	Dec 10th	Inter-school Floorball Tournament (Ludus)
Mon Fri	Dec 9th Dec 13th	Parent-Teacher Meetings

## School Contact Details

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**26 Bazaar** SILA I W C L  
Mednarodno združenje žensk Ljubljana  
International Women's Club Ljubljana

December 1st 2019, 10.00-16.00 at Grand Hotel Union

Unique International Products & Food  
Exclusive Cultural Program  
Lucky Draw & Kids' Corner

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