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MARIA'S NOTES :



The PTA will organise a bake sale on 7th February kindly supported by Grades 3 and 9 parents who are baking.

The bake sale will be at pick up for Primary and during first break for Secondary



The school photographer came back on Monday. The order form has been sent by email to all families concerned.

As the photo order session is now re-opened, if you didn't have the opportunity to make an order in November's photos session and would like to do so, please contact Ms Marjorie by email to receive your pictures code (<u>marjorie.morand@isbearn.com</u>)

Grade 4 started this exciting week, with their amazing assembly, all about **the Olympic Games**! We were treated to a brief history of how the games came about, learning the motto: Higher, Faster, Stronger, Together, as well as lots of other fascinating and even strange facts! We found out that Grade 4 collectively participate in lots of different sports, such as: judo, horse-riding, kayaking, gymnastics, karate, strong-man training, pingpong...and many more! Grade 4 also reenacted the inspiring story of an athlete nicknamed, "Eric the Eel". If you don't know the story, have a look on the internet - it's a truly inspiring story high-lighting the power of the games and the sense of togetherness they bring.









Grade 4 sharing the message that with practise, perseverance and determination, anything is possible!

Grade 4 ended their assembly with a rendition of "Eye of the Tiger" – a song all about fighting for success, which led nicely onto awarding some children who have fought and succeeded to earn their next certificate of merit. A huge well done to all of those children, and a special mention must be made to **Kira** in Grade 5, for being the first student in the school to earn her gold certificate!!











Finally, we had just enough time to award the House Points Trophy. The Yellow team had won the last two trophies on the tracker, and so everyone was excited/nervous, to see if they could win three in a row. Although it was a close battle with just 35 house-points between second and first place, it was the Red Team that took the win! House Captain, Mael, from the red team, came and collected the trophy for his team. Well done Reds!



'Les Trois Chardons'

Early Years to Grade 2 had a real treat on Thursday morning, when they were invited to a performance by the puppet-theatre company, Les Trois Chardons. The puppet show this year was called "*Patapoum et Célestine*" and was about a clown with big dreams. Once again, it was a fantastic performance by Les Trois Chardons, filled with poetry and laughter.

The children loved it and it offered many lessons and talking points for the children as Patapoum faced adversity on his quest to be more than just a laughing stock, and amaze the crowds by riding his bike across a tight-rope. Big thanks to the French team for organizing this exciting event.



If you would like to order the story album and audio CD, please send a cheque of 12€ to the school, payable to "Les 3 Chardons", before February 16th and we'll place an additional order.

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Parent/Teacher Meetings

Thank you to all those parents who attended the Parent/teacher meetings these last two weeks, it was lovely to see the school bustling with happy parents. We once again apologise for having to cancel the Grade 6 appointments at such short notice this week, but as soon as Miss Nairac is feeling better, we will contact you to rearrange the meetings.

Important Dates

Wednesday 14th February 1200 – PTA Bake Sale (cakes provided by Grades 3 & 9) Wednesday 14th February 09:00 – PTA MEETING (Primary Art room) Friday 16th February – School closes for holidays (after clubs/Garderie)

The National Garden Bird Count took place last weekend in France, a great occasion for **Early Years** to learn about birds who live in our gardens.

We have been listening to recordings of different birds singing, looking at pictures of most common garden birds and their nests and we also had a go at making a little nest on our own, using variety of materials such as hay, wool, twigs, feathers and clay.

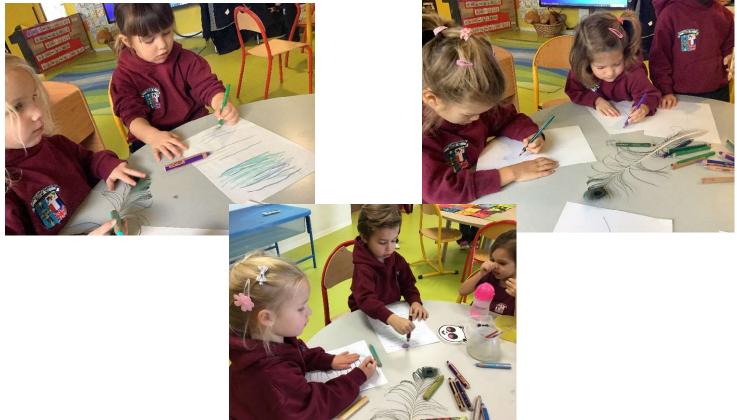
We have also been discussing about birds diet and their important roles in ecosystems.







Early Years also had a go at observational drawing of a peacock's feather. Early Years really enjoyed this activity and really took time to explore all the details, shapes and colours they could see. Well done!



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Early Years really enjoyed listening to Odin's Mummy reading the story of "Pat Patrouile" and "Cornebidouille". Thank you very much to Odin's Mummy !



Reception have been pretending they are travelling out into outer space this week! Stay tuned on teams for some wonderful videos of reception astronauts telling us all the amazing things they have seen and done in Space!



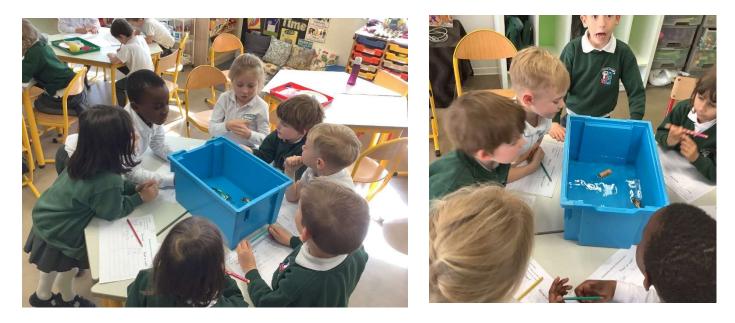
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Grade 1 continued with their materials work in science by testing different classroom objects. Do they float or sink? We thought carefully about the materials each object were made from and made our predictions. We tested the objects and recorded our results. Super scientists !



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On Thursday morning, EY, Rec, G1 and G2 students attended the show *Patapoum et Célestine* presented by the "Les trois Chardons" company.

It was a moment filled with poetry and laughter. The children loved it.

If you would like to order the story album and audio CD, please send a cheque to the school, payable to "Les 3 Chardons", <u>before February 16</u>.

We'll place an additional order.

Ce jeudi matin, les élèves de EY, Rec, G1 et G2 ont assisté au spectacle *Patapoum et Célestine* présenté par la compagnie « Les trois Chardons ».

C'était un moment rempli de poésie et de rires. Les enfants ont adoré.

Si vous souhaitez commander l'album de l'histoire et le CD audio, vous pouvez transmettre un chèque à l'école , à l'ordre des 3 chardons, avant le 16 février.

Nous ferons une commande supplémentaire.









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Grade 3 used some sticky sweeties to learn all about the rock cycle and how **igneous**, **sedimentary and metamorphic** rocks are formed.



Grade 3 have been learning how to spot a right angle in maths...it seems like they are EVERYWHERE!



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The Lower Primary (Gr 1-3) Fashion Club are making tote bags with old school tee shirts.



On Monday, Grade 4 Assembly was about the Olympics Games





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Grade 4 have been independently researching the Roman army to produce posters of their findings. In maths, we started to look at lines of symmetry in shapes $\bigcirc \boxed{2} & \textcircled{2} & \rule{2} &$



Grade 5 have been learning about the position of the Earth, Sun and Moon during Lunar eclipse. Lots of precision was needed to make their diagrams. Super job!





Grade 6 learning all about lumens and the measurement of light!!



Grade 7 students in Ms Hooijer's English class, presenting their class Haiku. The editing of the video is in progress; once that is finished, parents will receive the video to watch at home!



Esta semana con la clase de **Grade 8** hemos trabajado sobre el tema del cine y la televisión. Cada estudiante ha elegido un actor o cantante conocido para encarnar el personaje en una creación IMovie. ¡Qué guapos son! ¿Los reconocéis? ③





With **Grade 10** triple scientists we proved that speed of sound in the air is approx. 330 m/s, which also depends of the altitude. Higher up, speed of sound will decrease due to the density of air particles and vice versa.

We measured the ISB car park to be approximately 133m long and then measured the time it takes for sound caused by drumming to travel through the car park (133m).



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Grade 13 English Language students revising key terminology for their Child Language Acquisition unit.



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Secondary Update

Food Bank 23 March

Students from G10 - 13 are volunteering (we hope!) to help out with the annual food bank collections:



Their goal is for 400 young people to collect 30 tones of food.

Students will be asked to <u>commit to 2 hours</u> during the day (between 9am and 7pm), to hand out bags and collect and sort donations from members of the public. They will be accompanied by an adult from ISB at all times, but will be **required to make their own way to and from the supermarket.**

Dates for your Diary

02 - 03 Feb: D of E Practice Exploration in Pau (G12)
09 - 11 Feb: F of E Exploration in Bordeaux (G12)
16 Feb - School closes for holidays (after clubs/Garderie)
7 March: Secondary School Show (you need to ask for tickets)

Parent Evenings 2024

Dates for all parent evenings next year are as follows, all are Tuesdays:



Have a nice week Très Bonne Semaine Maria Elias

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