

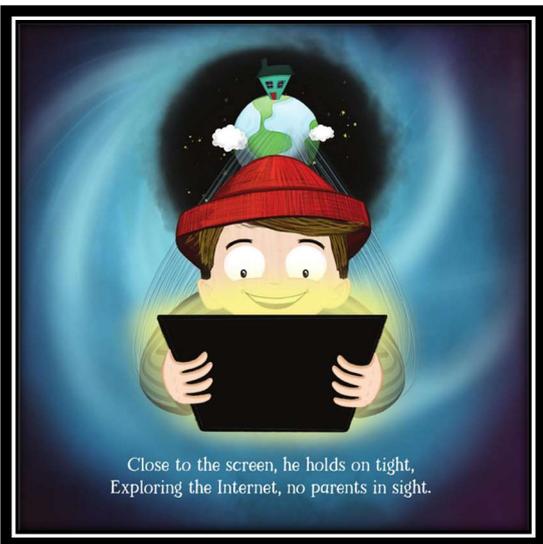
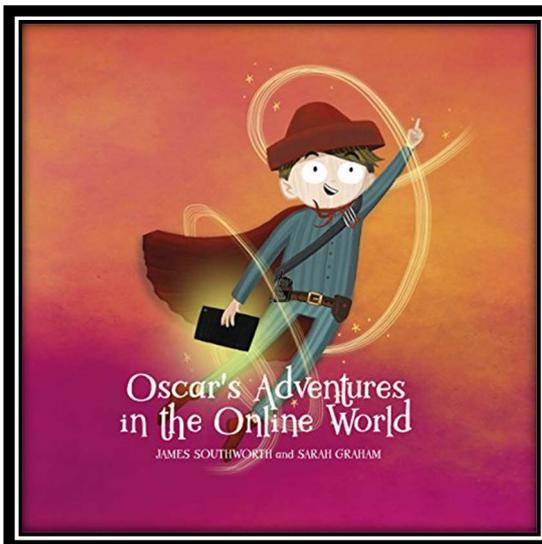


Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024

### MARIA'S NOTES :

Well we've had a week of coughing and sneezing in the Primary school, with lots of children and staff falling foul of the current bug that seems to be going around.

For those of us that did manage to avoid the bug, we started the week with an assembly linked to Safer Internet Day, on Tuesday, all about staying safe online. Miss Heather took us on an adventure all about computing and the internet. Throughout the assembly, we got to talk about the measures that we take to stay safe online and read a story called *Oscar's Adventures in the Online World*. It was about a boy called Oscar, who goes for an online adventure on his tablet, and we had had to make decisions for the main character throughout the story. Of course, we always made the right choices!



We had just enough time left at the end of the assembly to present some more certificates of merit...



Well done everyone!

### Computing Enrichment

On Tuesday afternoon, our Computing Coordinator, Miss Heather, organised an enrichment workshop for some lucky key stage 2 children focussing on logic and reasoning, which proved that you don't need to use a computer to think like one! On the menu was a game of Mastermind where they tried to crack each others' colour codes, some super tricky pattern puzzles and they finished off with a sudoku style game on the iPad called *Mystic Numbers*. It was great fun and the concentration was incredible!

#InspiringSelfBelief



### “International Book Exchange Day”

Next Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> Feb, it is “International Book Exchange Day”. To mark the occasion, Miss Jette, the school librarian, thought that it might be a nice idea to offer a book swap, within the classes. The idea is quite simply: If you have a used book at home, and you fancy a change, you can wrap the book with your child, who can bring it to school with them next Wednesday, and swap it with someone else in the class. If you do want to take part, it might be worth making a note of if the book that your child is bringing is typically more aimed at boys or girls, or a book that is typically enjoyed by either gender.

!!THIS IS NOT OBLIGATORY!!

### Non- Uniform/Mufti Day

**Next Friday (16<sup>th</sup> February), is a non-uniform day.** Following a suggestion in a student council meeting, In the spirit of “carnival”, we thought that it might be nice to have a fancy dress theme! If your child wants to be involved in this, it's time to dust off that costume and see if it still fits! There is no particular whole-school theme, although, I know that some classes may decide on one together for their class – I'm sure it will be posted on your child's team if there is one! Grades 3 & 4, will have swimming in the afternoon, and so they will need to bring another change of clothes to put on in the afternoon, to make it easier to change at the swimming pool!



**Important Dates**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 09:00 – PTA MEETING (Primary art room)**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February – School closes for holidays (after clubs)**

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Last Friday, **Early Years** have been making some delicious pancakes!





Look at those beautiful sun catchers made by Early Years!. If you look closely, you can see that we have been following a repeating ABAB pattern. Some of us even tried a three colour pattern! What a beautiful work and a great focus. Bravo Early Years!



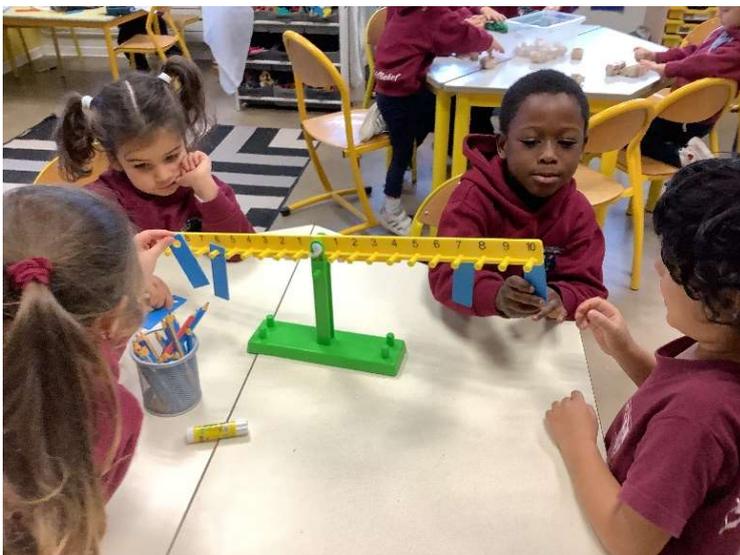


Thank you very much to Jana's Mummy for coming to read to Early Years. We enjoyed listening to a story about a crocodile who had a toothache and learned names of ocean animals in Arabic. Thank you !

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

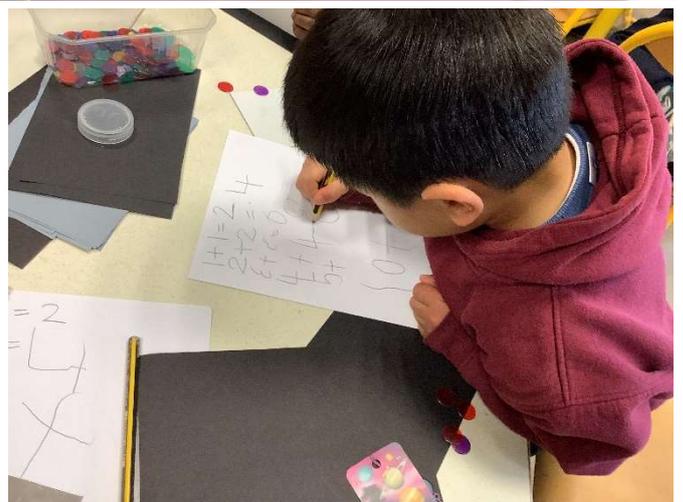


**Reception** have been doing some super maths this week, comparing numbers, talking about which numbers are greater than and less than others. They have even been using mathematical symbols to show this with the help of crocodile Dan!





**Reception** have been exploring doubling using mirrors! some excellent mathematical language developing!





In Art, Reception have been creating dragon puppets ready for the Chinese New year. As well as learning about this Chinese festival they also have learnt how to fold paper into a concertina form, creating repeat patterns and practicing cutting skills. They look super cool, well done.



**Grade 1** have been learning about **toys from the past**. We looked at lots of new and old toys and made comparisons and made a class toy museum. We made Victorian thermotropies and cup and balls using the junk modelling materials. It was great fun!





In Art, Grade 1 have also been working on a project inspired by the up coming **Chinese Dragon Year**. Creating a moving snake dragon collage with paper pieces snipped and trimmed to create a scaly texture. 'WOW' they look amazing.





Cette semaine, les couloirs de l'ISB ont été envahis par une délicieuse odeur de crêpes... parce que les élèves de toutes les classes ont célébré la Chandeleur. MIAM. 😊  
Nous avons de vrais chefs à l'ISB.





This week in Science, **Grade 2** have not only been making a very interesting material (cornflower slime - which is both a solid and liquid) but has also been testing materials for strength.

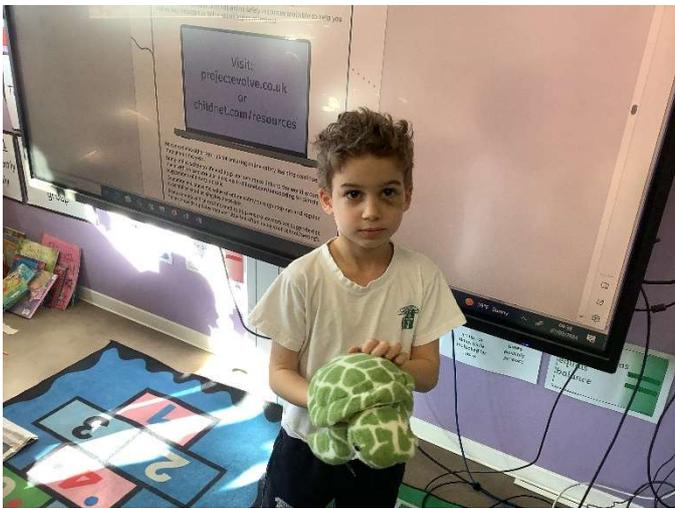




In Computing, Grade 2 used a spreadsheet to make a table to collect data. What is your favourite flavour ice cream?



Julia and Houston brought in castle artifacts and Gabriel told us all about his endangered sea turtle.





In Art, **Grade 2** have been busy creating for Chinese New Year a 3D snake dragon. Learning how to fold strips of 2D paper to create a continuous 3D chain . Super cool!



**Grade 3** had a super time in maths working on a problem solving challenge called “Don’t Make a Triangle!” What a fun way to learn about the properties of shapes!





In Art, **Grade 3** have created dragon scrolls for Chinese Dragon Year. Learning how to draw a dragon by identifying simple shapes and lines, developing patterns, bold colouring, and blending with soft pastels. They look stunning!





**Grade 3 in Drama** being amazingly... dramatic!





In Art, **Grade 4** have also worked on a project linked to Chinese dragon Year. A dragon design for a Chinese lantern. Understanding how to make something 2D into a 3D form.





In science, **Grade 4** have been investigating the properties of liquids and solids with cooking!



In **Grade 5** we were working on rules of divisibility in maths. We learnt that numbers divisible by 3 for example, have a digital root of 3, 6 or 9. Here we are testing which 6 digit numbers are divisible by 3.



Some students from **Grades 5 and 6** joined Miss Heather for a special logic and reasoning themed **computing enrichment** this afternoon which proved that you don't need to use a computer to think like one! On the menu was a game of Mastermind where we tried to crack each other's colour codes, some super tricky pattern puzzles and we finished off with a sudoku style game on the iPad called Mystic Numbers. It was great fun and the concentration was incredible!

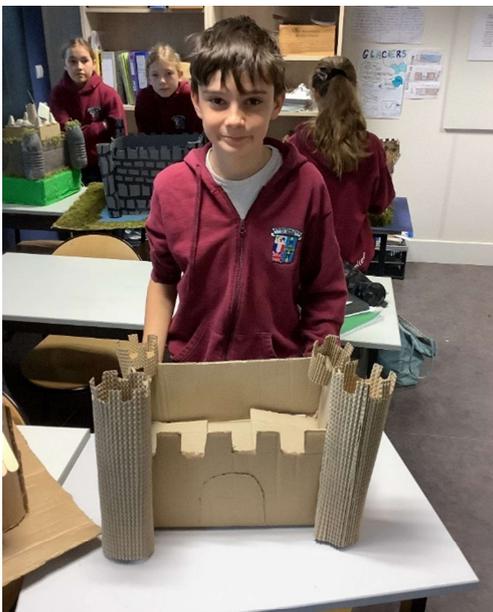


Great fun on Friday playing bingo and Times Up at **Board Games club!**





**Grade 7** have been busy building fantastic model castles. From machicolations, murder holes, barbicans and round towers, these castles are very well defended!





**Remote Control club.** Students always enjoy with flying or driving different vehicles/drones and improving their driving and flying skills.





### It's that time of the year ...

When everyone is catching colds, flu, stomach bugs and lots of other nasty stuff.

If your son or daughter has a temperature, or has a sore throat, or is coughing and sneezing, please don't send them into school – let them stay at home, rest and fight off the germs.

**But please remember to email in to let us know:**

✉ **Form tutor + [contact@isbearn.com](mailto:contact@isbearn.com)**

### Food Bank 23 March

Mrs Jackson and Miss Goigoux are going to speak to the students during registration in the next few days and get an initial list of volunteers from KS4 and 5 (**Grades 10-13**) for the Food Bank project.

Further details will be sent to parents of interested students in the near future including the supermarkets and exact times.

### Dates for your Diary

**09 Feb:** G11 - 13 Art Trip, Bordeaux

**09 – 11 Feb:** D of E Exploration, Bordeaux (G12)

**Wednesday 14 Feb** Secondary Bake Sale (fundraising for the Prom)

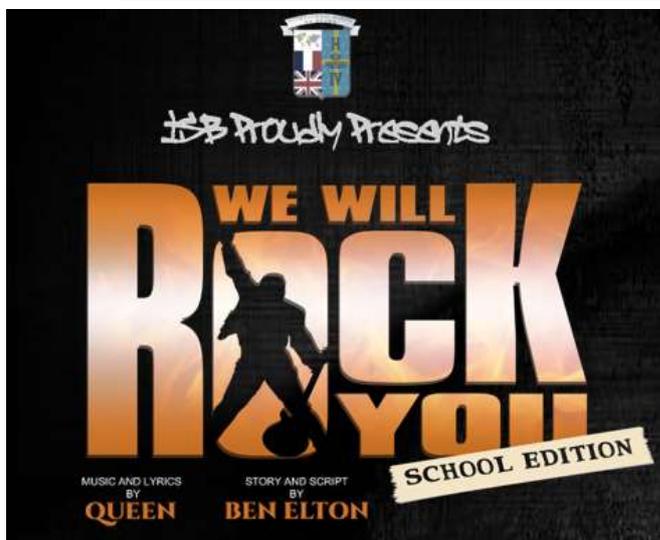
**Friday 16 Feb:** Half-term holidays – school ends after clubs

**Monday 04 March:** School re-opens

### Parent Evenings 2024

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

Grade 9 Parents Eve plus Options Eve	26 March
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### We Will Rock You !!

**The school show is on Thursday 07 March at the *Atelier du Neez*, Jurancon. doors will open at 18:15 and the show starts at 19:00. Aperitifs on arrival.**

We wish to politely inform you that:

no-one will be admitted without a ticket, and no entry will be permitted after the show starts at 19:00.

Also, no food or drink may be consumed in the auditorium.

### **VALENTINE'S BAKE SALE**

14<sup>th</sup> February - Breaktime in the secondary Playground

Baked goods and Snacks - cupcakes, brownies, cakes, popcorn, cookies etc

**Non uniform day**, bring 1€ - Valentine's day themed (**red, white and pink colours**)

***Have a nice week / Très Bonne Semaine  
Maria Elias***



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