



# THE KALEIDOSCOPE

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## CALENDAR DATES

Wednesday, 29 April	ES Principal's Coffee Morning at 8.15 am
Wednesday, 29 & Thursday, 30 April	Musical Mania
Thursday, 30 April	Sports Shop open from 1 to 3 pm
Friday, 1 May	No School
Monday, 4 to Friday, 8 May	Trip Week
Thursday, 14 May	ES Choral and Instrumental Concert at 6 pm in the MPR
Monday & Tuesday, 18 & 19 May	PYP Grade 5 Exhibition
Thursday & Friday, 21 & 22 May	No School
Thursday, 28 May	MS Concert at 6 pm in the Bürgersaal at the Kleinmachnower Rathaus

## NEWS FROM THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Richard Bartlett, Deputy Director

### School Hours

Thanks to all who replied to our survey questions regarding a possible change of school hours. Your efforts were very helpful to us in the decision process. The employees and students were also asked similar questions and invited to comment.

Basically, the parents (marginally) and students (overwhelmingly) are not in favour of a change from the current hours, and both groups cite many credible reasons why such a change would have a negative effect on them. Therefore it seems right that the basic school hours will remain 08.00-15.00.

### 1st Kleinmachnow Team Run

BBIS is proud to support the 1. Kleinmachnower Teamlauf which will take place on Sunday, 10 May. It is organised by the Rotary Club and will raise money to help identify and match possible Stem Cell donors in the fight against leukaemia. The race will start and finish on our sports field. It is a team event for teams of 2-5 members and each participant will pay 10 euro entrance. Registration is possible online at [www.teamlauf-kleinmachnow.de](http://www.teamlauf-kleinmachnow.de). A poster with more details is attached to the end of this Kaleidoscope.

Richard Bartlett

# NEWS FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL

Richard Bartlett, High School Principal

## MYP Expo

The MYP Exhibition at the school on Wednesday was visited by most of the students in the school and many parents. At this exhibition Grade 10 students display their MYP projects which they have been working on throughout the year. The displays showed product and pictures of the making process, informed us of the goal of the project, described what had gone well and what could be improved, and included copies of both process journal and project reports. In addition many of the actual products were available to be seen. The students spent the day explaining their projects to the many visitors and answering questions. They did a wonderful job! The Project holds a special place in the MYP and had to be closely related to one of the Areas of Interaction: all-in-all a formidable task that our students, with the support of their supervisors and the dedication of Ms Jung, achieved admirably.



## Lisanne

How can I learn enough sign language in six months to have a simple conversation?



## Julius

He designed a Micro sewage plant for people in Indonesia who have lost their homes due to natural disasters. 60 people are already benefitting from the clean water they can drink as a result of the project.

If you have comments, questions or suggestions concerning the High School please contact me on 033203 80 360, email [richard.bartlett@bbis.de](mailto:richard.bartlett@bbis.de), or just drop in.

# NEWS FROM THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Camille Du Aime, Elementary School Principal

I hope you had a great break. The students seemed rested and ready for the work that awaits them in the next ten weeks.

This is the first year that we've had Elementary students using the [late buses](#). Just before the break, there was an incident where a parent was not at the bus stop when the bus arrived to drop off a young child. We have now developed a procedure the bus driver will follow in this event: If no one is there to meet the child, the bus driver will wait a few minutes and contact either the parent (if number is known) or the school. If no one has shown up after a few minutes, the bus will continue on its normal route with the child and then bring the child back to school at the end of the route. Meanwhile the school will contact the Elementary Principal or the PYP Curriculum Coordinator who will continue efforts to reach the parents and will come to the BBIS main entrance/reception to welcome the child when the bus arrives and stay with them until the parent arrives to pick them up. Obviously all of this could be very upsetting to the child and the parents, so please make sure you arrive on time to meet the bus. If you know you are running late, you can contact Felice until 4:30 and she will try to reach the bus driver and let him know the situation. If your child is old enough and the bus stop is close enough for them to walk home alone, please put a note in your child's backpack which they could show to the bus driver if needed.

Continuing on the theme of transportation and safety, a parent recently approached me about the [speed that cars drive on campus](#). This is particularly a problem in the unpaved area near House I and the B gate. Just before 8:00 and at 3:00, many children (escorted and unescorted) walk across that area to exit by the B gate. Cars are often in a hurry at those times and sometimes drive well above the legal 10 km/hour. Please, for the safety of our children, drive cautiously!

Next week the annual extravaganza we call [Musical Mania](#) will be performed on Wednesday at 5:00 and Thursday at 7:00, location to be announced. Although no Elementary students are participating, there are several Elementary teachers involved: Katy Lepak, Rachel Wahlquist, Ashley Reser, Ramona Boeckler, Lisa Roy, Camille Du Aime, and of course our very own Brent Lund Bruning! It's a great show and a lot of fun to see adults and students on stage together. We hope to see you there!

We are entering a busy period of the year, so I am including important dates through to the end of June in order to help you plan. I look forward to seeing you at many of these events!

## Upcoming Events in the Elementary School:

<a href="#">April 29th and 30th</a>	Musical Mania
<a href="#">May 1st</a>	NO SCHOOL
<a href="#">May 4-8th</a>	Trip Week
<a href="#">May 18th-19th</a>	PYP Grade 5 Exhibition
<a href="#">May 21st-22nd</a>	NO SCHOOL
<a href="#">June 5th</a>	Elementary Spring Concert
<a href="#">June 12th</a>	Elementary Sports Day
<a href="#">June 24th</a>	Grade 5 Moving On Ceremony (3:15 pm)
<a href="#">June 26th</a>	Last Day of School (11:30 am dismissal)

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me on 033203 8036-125, email [camille.duaim@bbis.de](mailto:camille.duaim@bbis.de) or simply drop by my office for a visit. Parents are always welcome!

# STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES NEWS

Dr. Christina Limbird, Head of Department

## FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

### May 2009

May 2:

SAT reasoning and subject test at JFK School

May 5:

Outstanding replies from applicants declined by default where the last decision from universities and colleges was received by 31 March (except those living overseas and Extra). [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

May 5:

SAT registration deadline for June 6 test (JFK)

May 9:

Outstanding decisions from universities and colleges on applications received by 15 January are rejected by default. [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

### June 2009

June 6:

SAT reasoning and subject test at JFK School

June 15:

Contact the JFK School if your child is interested in taking the October 2009 PSAT/NMSQT.

Reservations should be made by latest August 2008 with Mr Blount at JFK School or by contacting Ms Kamphausen at [leslie.kamphausen@bbis.de](mailto:leslie.kamphausen@bbis.de)

June 30:

Last date for receipt of applications for immediate consideration. Those received after this date held for clearing. [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

Please see Mrs Kamphausen in Room 2404 if you need any other information

(Hours: Mon/Wed 8.30-14.30, Fri 9.00-12.30) or send an email to [leslie.kamphausen@bbis.de](mailto:leslie.kamphausen@bbis.de)

# BOARDING SCHOOL NEWS

Whitney Sterling, Head of Boarding

### Our boarding school is growing!

For the next school year we will have approximately 15 spaces available for boarding school students. Through our contacts in China and my March 2009 trip to Shanghai, Yiwu, Shenzhen, Guangzhou, Hong Kong and Beijing we will have at least two students from the Peoples Republic of China starting in August 2009. A student from Switzerland and one from Moscow are also headed our way. Because most of our present students are staying on, we only have about 5 spaces in boarding still available for the upcoming school year. Please spread the word.

Our facility will expand to accommodate the new students. In addition to more student rooms, all with en suite private showers, we will have a second large common room. Our plan is to use that room for our common meals and as a recreation room. We want to include fitness machines, a pool table, a good stereo system, nice chairs and couches, lighting and more. If you have any such items you would like to donate to our boarding school, please let me know.

One particularly exciting aspect of the boarding school grows from the weekly inquiries that reach us from all over the world: Turkey, Bulgaria, India, Colombia, Latvia, Cameroon, Nigeria, Canada, USA, Mexico, Brazil, Azerbaijan, China, Spain, Poland, Sweden, South Africa Russia, and Belarus to name a few.

The parent response to my March 2009 request for helping two Korean boys during the spring break was very encouraging. The boys were well occupied during the break.

Thanks to all of you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

R. Whitney Sterling

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## SCHOOL WIDE NEWS

LINK TO THE PTA NEWSLETTER

<http://www.bbis.de/content/new-events/index2.htm>

### BBIS SUMMER FEST – KIDS' MALL



There is an opportunity to find new homes for your children's old toys, books, videos, sports equipment etc.! Clear out your cupboards, spring-clean your cellars and bring us those homeless toys which are still in good condition.

For your convenience, two of our BBIS parents, Kerstin Kuhle or Barbara Landers-Schultz, will be at the front of the [Hotel Berolina](#) (building next to the BBIS main entrance/reception) on the following days to take your contributions:

Tuesday, 12 May	14.30 - 15.00
Tuesday, 19 May	08.00 - 08.30 and 14.30 – 15.00
Tuesday, 26 May	08.00 - 08.30 and 14.30 – 15.00
Friday, 5 June	08.00 - 08.30 and 14.30 - 15.00

Thank you for your generous support as always.

Barbara Landers-Schultz

## NEWS FROM THE FACILITY MANAGER

### Construction between House 2 and 3

As many of you are aware of, we have a large water tank installed between the two buildings. The tank collects rainwater to extinguish fire and is also large enough to provide sufficient water to flush the toilets in House 1, 2 and 3 (the latter has not yet been connected).

During the Easter break the rainwater drains from both House 2 and 3 were connected to the tank and preparation for the connection to the toilets was carried out.

In addition to this, a ramp has been constructed down to the lowest level of House 2. The ramp will enable the caterer to deliver his goods into the future kitchen.

Anna Kampe  
Facility Manager

## NEWS FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Please note that the Elementary Choir concert is approaching soon. It is scheduled to be on the Thursday, right after the filed trip: [Thursday, May 14th, 18:00, in the MPR.](#)

This is a venue for our hard working children to share what they learned as a part of ECA. The students will sing and dance in group, as well as share solo or small group productions. Our invited guest group is the other choir of the school: BBIS High School and Staff Choir.

Panni Kovacs  
MS Music Teacher

## NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Congratulations to all players and coaches on a magnificent basketball season!

U14 BOYS	7th place	Bonn	
U14 GIRLS	4th place	Berlin	1 GISST point
VARSITY GIRLS	1st place	Berlin	4 GISST points
VARSITY BOYS	1st place	Bavaria	4 GISST points

Coming soon ...

### GISST TENNIS tournament

U14-Varsity boys and girls  
Leipzig  
Thursday-Saturday, 14th-16th May

### GISST TRACK AND FIELD tournament

U14-Varsity boys and girls  
Bonn  
Sunday-Monday, 7th-8th June

### BBIS SPORTS AWARDS BANQUET

BBIS Sports Hall  
Monday, 22nd June



BBIS World Challenge  
Invites

All High School students for the next academic year

We call upon all those of you who are adventurous, want a challenge and would like to share a life altering experience with life skills and memories gained that you will never forget.



We are delighted to announce that we are launching a very exciting school programme for students to research and then lead their own expedition to Kenya in June 2010.

A World Challenge in Kenya provides students with a huge variety of opportunities and challenges in a stunning part of the world. For the acclimatisation phase the team could consider exploring Kenya's spectacular Rift Valley, climbing the extinct volcanic peaks of Mount Longonot or the Menengai Crater and visiting the beautiful lakes of Naivasha and Nakuru, teeming with wildlife.

There are a numerous parks and reserves in Kenya, home to a vast range of animals including the 'big five', and teams will have the opportunity of seeing these beautiful creatures close at hand.

The acclimatisation phase is followed by the more challenging part of the expedition; a longer trek invariably up Mount Kenya, the highest mountain in Kenya and the second highest mountain in Africa after Kilimanjaro. It is a starkly beautiful mountain with its magnificent cliffs and glaciers, tarns and alpine meadows.

For further information please do not hesitate to contact myself or Graham Maltby at the school via email or phone.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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## „SAMMELDRACHE“

The school needs your old/empty printer cartridges. We need as many as we can get because each container of cartridges gives us points, and when we have enough points we trade these in for electronic equipment.

All types of cartridges are welcome. Please send your empty printer cartridges to the IT Department.

Harry Klooster  
Head of IT Department



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# TEAMLAUFLAUF

Laufen Sie mit und tun Sie Gutes!

Melden Sie sich jetzt unter:  
[www.teamlauf-kleinmachnow.de](http://www.teamlauf-kleinmachnow.de)  
an und tun Sie Gutes!

## SONNTAG, 10. MAI 2009

START: 11 UHR AM SPORTPLATZ DER BBIS AM SEEBERG

Laufen Sie mit! Mit 10 Euro Teilnahmegebühr unterstützen Sie bereits unseren Kampf gegen Leukämie.

„Für einen guten Zweck laufen“ ist das Credo des 1. Kleinmachnower Teamlaufs. Neben Spaß und Sport für die ganze Familie unterstützen wir vom Rotary Club Kleinmachnow mit diesem Lauf den Kampf gegen Leukämie. Alle Erlöse fließen in die Knochenmarktypisierung, um geeignete Stammzellenspenden für leukämiekranken Menschen zu finden.

Der Rundkurs hat einer Länge von 1 km. Die Größe der Teams ist dabei variabel. Zur Bewältigung der Laufstrecke von 15 km können Gruppen von 2 bis 5 Personen antreten. Ziel jedes Teams ist es, diese Strecke in kürzester Zeit zu bewältigen. Vor dem Teamlauf für Teilnehmer ab 16 Jahren findet ein Kinder- und Schülerteamlauf über eine Distanz von 7 km statt. Ein Rahmenprogramm sorgt für eine fröhliche Atmosphäre.

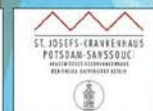
Die Gewinner des Teamlaufes erhalten attraktive Sachpreise!

Der 1. Kleinmachnower Teamlauf steht unter der Schirmherrschaft des Ministerpräsidenten des Landes Brandenburg, Matthias Platzeck.

Wir danken:

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