

BaSICS NEWSLETTER

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Coffee with Leadership

Wednesday June 13 from 11:30-12:30 join us for an open-agenda meeting with the Head of School, Sarah Kupke. If you have questions that need clarification or suggestions, you are welcome to bring these to the meeting. All parents are welcome.

Parent Volunteers Needed

When: Friday, June 22nd, 13.30 - 15.30

What: Offer an enrichment activity to a group of 10-15 students on a topic of your choice

Who: To a multi-level age group of students (4-16 years) on a 20 minute rotational basis

Why: Besides enriching student and staff learning, a number of BaSICS staff will be participating in a dual language workshop on this afternoon with teachers from the area, both national and international

Contact: If interested, contact Rebecca Jones-Buerk at jones-buerkr@issev.de by June 12

Looking forward to hearing from you!

ALL NEXT WEEK: BaSICS Kunst Gallerie

We are pleased to invite you to the 2nd Annual Art Gallery that will take place during the BaSICS Arts Week, **June 11-15**. Please feel free to invite as many people as you would like, so that we may show off the fantastic work of the children.

On **Monday June 11 the Gallery will open at 15:30**, featuring art from BaSICS students, and it will be open to visit the entire week.

The process of buying the pieces of art is the following:

On each artist board there will be a list where you can write the number of the picture you would like to buy, your full name and the amount of money you would like to bid for the work. The minimum to beat is 3 Euros per piece. The silent auction will be running for the entire week in Treffpunkt learning, giving friends and family plenty of time to make their bids. Watch out during the week to make sure you are the highest bidder for the pieces of art you want!

The pictures that might not be sold during the auction will return to the owners if they make a donation of at least 3 Euros. The money raised will also be part of supporting our partnership with India. We are excited for this opportunity to showcase our student art.

For further questions please contact Mrs. Kubacsek at Kubacsekk@issev.de



Class Field Trip – Grade 6/7

BaSICS grade 6/7 students returned last week from their class field trip to Goeppingen and the Hohenstaufen region. Instead of taking public transportation there, we rode our bikes! Other activities included rock climbing and orienteering, swimming, games and much more. Our parent chaperones were Mrs. Howland, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Frommer and Mr. Feustle. They added flair to our trip and were a great help and source of ideas and information. Please find student accounts of our various activities on the following pages, as well as some photographs for your viewing pleasure.

MONDAY



Bicycle Ride to Goeppingen

On Monday the 21st of May, the grade 6/7 class headed out to Goeppingen with their bikes. The ride was really fun because we enjoyed having time with the parents and friends. The bike ride took us about 13 hours and was 86 km long. The best parts were riding up the hills and down them again.



TUESDAY



Rock Climbing



I thought it was fun. I'm sure it could help if you wanted to be in the military. Plus it was not too hard. I liked the experience, as it could be great exercise if you put your mind to it. There's really nothing to be afraid of.



Staufer Museum



Ich fand das Staufer-Museum sehr interessant. Es berichtete über die Ritter und die Hohenstaufen Mauer. Der berühmteste Staufer war der Kaiser Friedrich Barbarossa.

WEDNESDAY**Bicycle Ride to Rechberg Castle**

The bike ride to Hohen Rechberg was very fun. Many people walked their bikes as there were many steep hills. The castle ruin was a little disappointing because we were out in the open and most of the castle interior was cordoned off. On the way down, we had one student fly off his bike into stinging nettle, but he recovered quickly.

Swimming

Wednesday, the 23rd of May, the 6/7th grade went swimming in Goeppingen at the Barbarossa Thermal Bath. The swimming pool had a very nice atmosphere. The environment consisted of many different decorations. When our group entered the swimming area, we immediately jumped into the cool water. The class favorite was the whirlpool. We played a game that was very fun. It was a game that required us to save each other from the whirlpool that sucked us in. Overall that day was very fun and an exciting experience with friends.



THURSDAY**Orientierung**

Wir sind morgens um 7.30 Uhr aufgestanden und haben gefrühstückt. Etwas später kam ein Mann, der uns erklärt hat, wie man ein Kompass und eine Karte benutzt. Als wir losgelaufen sind, haben wir erst mal gemerkt, wie schwer das ist und dass man in einem Team arbeiten muss, was nicht immer leicht ist. Nachdem wir 5 Stunden gewandert waren, sind wir von der Strecke abgekommen und wurden von dem Mann, der uns alles gezeigt hat, abgeholt und zum Wasserturm gebracht.

**Abseilen**

Als wir am Donnerstag beim Abseilen waren, hatten alle sehr viel Spaß. Auch wenn manche keine Chance hatten teilzunehmen, haben sie sich anders beschäftigt. So war es sehr lustig, andere Kinder zu sehen, wie sie sich abgeseilt haben.

Sport



Wir hatten viele verschiedene Möglichkeiten, uns sportlich zu betätigen (z.B. Tischtennis, Federball, Volleyball, Fußball und Rugby). Unser Lieblingssport war Rugby. Selbst die Lehrer spielten gern mit uns. Wir bildeten Teams und spielten nach vereinfachten Regeln. So versuchten wir, viel Zeit mit Rugbyspielen zu verbringen, denn es machte nicht nur Spaß, sondern förderte auch den Teamgeist. Auch beim Fußballspielen hatten wir Freude, weil fast jeder mitgespielt hat, auch die Mädchen.

Fire Pit and Smores!

This field trip, we had a fire to celebrate out last night. We first built the fire, then some of us ran back to the football field and kept playing football or rolling down the hill. While the campfire was burning, we cooked our marshmallows and turned them into smores. When I got my first smore, it practically melted in my mouth.



One of the most fantastic things was the character awards which the chaperones gave us. People got awards like "Still Waters Run Deep," "Baby Gorilla," "Climbing Queen," "Best Stunt Man." Once it turned really dark, the best part came: creepy stories. Many liked the story of the "Bushy Eyebrow." Everyone told great stories and got everyone scared. After the stories, some people stayed until the adults said that it was bedtime. That was our celebration.