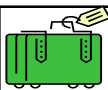


So long and farewell!



At the end of this term many of you will be returning home. We wish you all the best and hope that you have enjoyed your time in Bristol. It has been good to get to know many of you over this year and we hope that one day you might come back to visit us at BISC again! Please leave your home **email address** with us so that we can keep in touch and send you our Christmas & Summer E-Newsletter. Also, pop into BISC before you go and pick up a 'Leavers Pack' – a free gift for you to remember us by, including favourite BISC recipes and much more!

Can't take it back with you?

Books, kitchen equipment, duvets etc. If there is anything that you won't be able to take back with you that you think an incoming student may find useful next year, please donate it to us at BISC to pass on to new students. (NB: We cannot take electrical equipment e.g. TV's, lamps etc) This is a great way to help next year's students, and to lighten your luggage!

EVENT BOOKING PROCEDURE

You need to book EARLY for ALL our events to be sure of a place. **Simply book online, or in person at BISC.** If payment is not received within 7 days of booking we reserve the right to offer your place to someone else. (See online for BISC's Booking Procedure & Refund Policy). **We accept cash or cheque only** and payment must be made at the BISC office. (Cheques payable to 'Bristol International Trust').

Coaches pick up at the following places:

- 1) Clifton: BISC, 45 Woodland Road, Clifton
- 2) Bishopston: Gloucester Rd/ Zetland Rd (outside 'Threshers')
- 3) Horfield: Ebenezer Church, 286 Filton Avenue
- 4) Frenchay: UWE Bus Stop (Frenchay Campus)

Int'l & Uni-Tel pre-paid phone cards

Call home for less with a pre-paid Uni-Tel or international phone card. Great rates and lots of minutes! Call into BISC for more details.

WEEKLY UPDATES via email

Why not subscribe online to receive the **BISC Weekly Email**? Once a week we email details of news & events, updates on trip bookings plus information which is in addition to this programme. Subscribe online at www.bisc.org.uk/mailling.htm

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WEEKLY TEAS & LUNCHES



Available during term time: 27th April - 12th June '09
Eat as much as you like!

Monday Tea

Afternoon tea at BISC from 3:30 - 5pm, Enjoy English scones, with clotted cream & jam, plus free re-fills of Fairtrade tea & coffee. Only £1!

Wednesday Lunch

Fresh homemade soup, served with French stick, fruit & cakes, at BISC, from 12:00 - 2pm. Only £2!

Friday Lunch

Unwind at the end of the week! Sandwich lunch, plus crisps & cake, at BISC, from 12:30 - 2pm, prepared by the Christian Union team. Only £2!

LUNCHES during exam time: 18th May-5th June

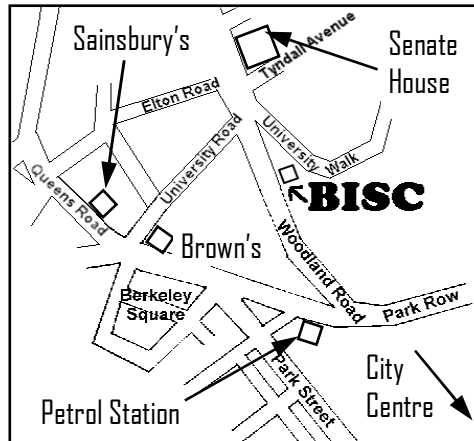
Served from 1-2pm, Monday to Friday, at BISC, and replaces the weekly events above. See inside for full details.

GLOBE CAFÉ - FOR UWE STUDENTS

Enjoy the Globe Cafe end of term BBQ on Monday 1st June from 6.30pm-8.30pm to say farewell to one another at the end of the academic year. No charge. Venue to be confirmed. See website for details.

www.globecafe.org.uk

How to find BISC

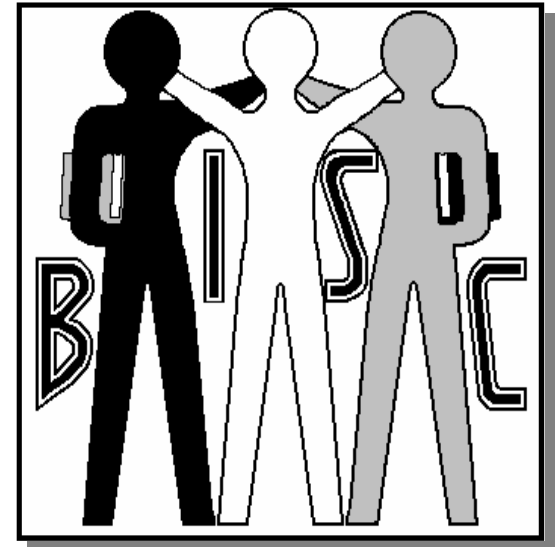


Bored on a Sunday?

Local churches offer food, fun and friendship for international students on some Sundays. Interested? Then contact BISC for more info or see our website for dates & details: www.bisc.org.uk/sundays.htm

BISC is a Christian organisation linking the international students at Bristol's universities & colleges with local people & each other. It is a registered charity supported largely by local churches & offers friendship & events to students of all faiths & no faith.

Bristol International Student Centre



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BISC CENTRE OPENING TIMES

The centre is open MONDAY to FRIDAY from 1pm -5pm from 20th April until Friday 26th June (excluding Bank Holidays 4th & 25th May). When BISC is open it is a good opportunity to book tickets for trips & events, buy phone cards or just pop in for a chat or some advice. For opening hours during the months of July & August check with the BISC office.

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THE COTSWOLDS

Saturday 25th April



Spend a day in the Cotswolds seeing some beautiful scenery and architecture in the Cotswold countryside. In the morning we visit the Corinium Museum in Cirencester, Britain's second biggest Roman town outside London. Here we'll trace the story of the Cotswolds from Prehistory to the late 19th Century, with hands-on exhibits, interactive displays and a wealth of precious artefacts. In the afternoon we visit the charming and picturesque villages of Bourton-on-the-Water (voted prettiest village in England), Stow-on-the-Wold, Moreton-in-Marsh and Broadway. In Broadway we will enjoy an English Cream Tea together in the Horse & Hound - a 17th century traditional Cotswold Stone Inn. Price of £18 includes Museum entry, Cream Tea, and return coach fare. Leave BISC at 9am, UWE at 9:15am. Return by 7pm. Book early!



INTERNATIONAL FEAST

Wednesday 29th April



Enjoy an evening of international cuisine that will tantalise your taste buds! Bring a main course or dessert from your country for us all to try. Why not bring the recipe too so that others can try re-creating your dish at home! No charge because you bring the food! Starts at BISC at 6:30pm. Please book in advance.



CAMBRIDGE

Saturday 9th May



Visit the city of Cambridge, an old English town, best known for its University. Have the opportunity to see Cambridge by boat, as well as on foot, and pay a visit to Trinity College, founded by Henry VIII in 1546. Includes a guided walking tour from a local guide where you'll learn about the origins of the city and the University, discover what it's like to study there and hear some of the fascinating stories of famous people connected with Cambridge. You'll also get the chance to go punting on the river Cam and see the city from quite a different perspective! Cost of £25 includes guided walking tour, Trinity College fees, punting and return coach fare. Leave BISC at 7:30am, UWE at 7:45am, return by 9:30pm. Book early to avoid disappointment for this popular trip!

The Bristol 10km Run

Sunday 10th May



No, we're not asking you to run 10 kilometres, but how about watching or sponsoring those who are running on behalf of BISC at this year's Bristol 10k run? The Bristol 10k run attracts 15,000 runners and many people run to raise money for charity. This year some regular students at BISC will be running to represent BISC in an effort to raise £400 for a new hot water boiler for the centre - so tea and coffee can always be available whenever you pop in. As a registered charity we receive no government funding but rely on donations and fundraising. If you have benefited from BISC during your time in Bristol and would like to give something back then why not join us to raise money? Ask in the BISC office for details of how to sponsor those running or to donate a gift.



Kite Making Madness

Wednesday 13th May



Let's go fly a kite! But first you have to make it! Enjoy an afternoon making your very own kite. No experience needed, all materials and full instruction provided. Only £2, includes refreshments. Starts 3pm at BISC, and will be followed by flying them together on Brandon Hill! Book in advance.



Quiz Night



Friday 15th May @ 8pm

Question: What's the smartest way to help people in the world's poorest communities? The answer is 'Quiz Aid' - a nationwide fundraising event organised by Christian Aid, to raise money for its overseas development work, helping the world's poorest communities by providing them with clean water, food, healthcare and education. Last year, Quiz Aid raised £185,000; this year it aims to raise £225,000 with your help. Help make up a team to represent BISC for this fun event. Starts at 8pm. £2 entry fee, pay on door. Venue tbc.



LUNCHES DURING EXAM WEEKS



Every weekday from 18th May - 5th June

(except Bank Holiday Monday 25th May)

Take a break from revision and come and relax in the friendly lounge or peaceful and spacious garden at BISC. Enjoy a tasty lunch at BISC during the 3 weeks of exams. Lunch is served daily from 1-2pm and includes bread, cold meats, cheese, eggs, potato salad, green salad, crisps, fruit and cake, plus Fairtrade tea and coffee. Always popular so arrive early! Please note that exam lunches replace the regular teas and lunches for this 3 week period. Lunch costs £2.50. Just turn up at BISC and tuck in!



¡Spanish Fiesta!

Friday 22nd May



Enjoy Spanish culture and tasty tapas at our Spanish Fiesta! Experience the food and unique Mediterranean culture and atmosphere without even going there! Don't forget your castanets! Starts at BISC at 6.30pm. Tickets £3. Limited places available. Book in advance at BISC or online.



Noah's Ark Zoo Farm

Saturday 30th May



This award-winning zoo on the outskirts of Bristol offers a truly unique day out. Set in 300 acres of stunning Somerset countryside, the Noah's Ark Zoo Farm is home to over 100 different animal species including British farm animals as well as rhinos, giraffes and tigers. During the day you can experience the animal show, a tractor ride, the reptile experience, birds of prey flying display plus meerkat and porcupine feeding, as well as time together in the fresh air and English countryside. Tickets £5 (usually £9.50). Bring your own picnic lunch or buy something there. Leave BISC at 10am, UWE at 10:15am. Return by 5:30pm. Book in advance.



RIVER CRUISE



Friday 12th June

Exams are over, the summer is here! Enjoy our annual river cruise on board the 'Tower Belle' that takes us along the River Avon for a relaxing evening together. See Bristol from a different perspective and enjoy the summer scenery and atmosphere. The cruise includes a buffet meal, soft drinks and live acoustic jazz rock music. Licensed bar on board. Meet 5.45pm at the Prince Street Bridge. Boat departs promptly at 6pm, back by 9pm. Tickets £15. Don't 'miss the boat' for this popular event! Book early as places are limited!

Farewell Garden Party BBQ

Wednesday 17th June



"So long, farewell, auf wiedersehen, goodbye..." However you want to say it, come and say it at BISC. Join together to say your goodbyes before you leave Bristol. Enjoy a selection of delicious BBQ food freshly prepared and cooked by a local chef - preview the menu in advance at BISC. During the evening there will be a short farewell talk. Come along and relax in the BISC garden, enjoy each others company and reminisce about your time in Bristol. Don't forget your camera! Starts 6pm at BISC. Tickets £7. Book in advance.