



The OIEB Flyer

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*This is the newsletter for members of the Oxfordshire Network of International Schools.
Please share with us anything that might be useful for other schools to know about.*

1. Visits to Uganda & Bali

Can we please ask schools planning to visit their partners this year in either Uganda or Bali to complete and return the form (**now with urgency**) sent to them by e-mail on 2 Sept. at 13.58.

2. Funding application deadlines

There are 2 upcoming deadlines for funding requests from schools as follows: **School Linking visits – 1 October (£1000) & Reciprocal Visits – 1 November (£1900)**. You can now apply for Reciprocal Visit funding either on a school-to-school basis or as part of a larger cluster of schools 3+3 schools (£2000 x 3 = £6000). <http://www.oieb.org/wps/wcm/connect/oieb/Funding/>

3. eTwinning UK-Spain Professional Development Workshop

The British Council is inviting applications to this workshop taking place in Madrid from Thursday 6th to Saturday 8th of November 2008. The workshop will develop projects based around the theme of 21st century Europe. Although applicants need to have a basic understanding of Spanish, the workshops will be in English and Spanish, so applications are not restricted to teachers of Spanish. For further details, please contact the OIEB **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** as deadlines are imminent.

4. MA in Development Education

The Inst. of Education in London has launched a new MA course in Development Education which may interest those of you with partners in Indonesia, South Africa or Uganda. For further details please visit www.ioe.ac.uk/courses/made or contact info@ioe.ac.uk

5. Africa Communications Fact Sheet

This document has been prepared by the Global Gateway team in consultation with Global Gateway schools and is worth a read. We have posted it for you at the address below. <http://www.oieb.org/wps/wcm/connect/oieb/Latest+news/>

6. TIPD Study Visits 2008-09

We are still 2 places short for the study visit to Michigan over the October break. Unfortunately, if we do not get the required 7 teachers signing up, this visit will have to be postponed.

7. Comenius projects 2009-2011

Further to the number of rejected applications this year, we will need to hear back from those of you who would like to resubmit applications for 2009. All 23 schools would qualify for Preparatory Visit funding to meet up with partners around January 2009. Please call us for details.

8. Japanese Immersion Course 2008/09

The British Council is offering a 2-week immersion course in Osaka between 16 and 27 February 2009. Further details from www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-japan.htm

9. Model United Nations General Assembly – 6th Forms

Letter No. 2 should be available to send out to schools by the end of this month. Only when that letter is received can we begin to take your country selections.

10. Looking Ahead

1 October: Eid-UI-Fitr - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/holydays/eidulfitr.shtml>

16 October: UN World Food Day - http://www.fao.org/wfd2007/index_wfd2007/en/

28 October: Divali - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/holydays/diwali.shtml>

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