



# The 'Wind Rose'

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British International School was the first school in Belgrade to be registered by the British Department for Education and Skills (DfES number 6356), and the first school in Belgrade to receive Centre Status from the University of Cambridge (centre number EA011)

## “Meet the World” project continues

Mr Hashmi, Pakistan Ambassador to Serbia with the Primary Students after a wonderful slide show about his country. Everyone was delighted.



From September 2006 the Primary Students have been enjoying their new school building and new multi-functional playground equipment.



**The Duke of Edinburgh Award reinstated at BIS**  
BIS is a sole Balkan's operator for the Duke of Edinburgh Award for young people. This prestigious programme comprises sound knowledge of basic expedition skills, namely: equipment, navigation and route planning, camp craft, food, safety requirements, first aid, group skills, environment, country code, observation and recording in addition to the specific skills related to the specific type of journeying. Students must undergo the necessary training and undertake an appropriate number of practice ventures before taking part in the qualifying venture. This month students went to the very popular climbing destination Borski Stol for camping.



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*In the event of an impending storm at sea, sailors call the shortest path to a safe harbor the "Wind Rose". When heading towards the "Wind Rose" sailors can often be found in their cabins because the ship is travelling as fast as it can, and the sailors are trying not to think of the possible consequences of the storm. They think only of the safety of the harbor, their loved ones at home on solid land, and what they will enjoy when they survive the ravages of the storm.*

Mr Jonathan Rider, the cofounder of IHSB and our first Director of Education, was an enthusiastic traveller and he loved the sea. He named this regular school community newsletter the "Wind Rose" to represent the qualities of safe harbor and the strong foundations which must be present in an excellent school.