Dear Germanist and language colleague,

OXFORD GERMAN OLYMPIAD - ROUND 2 GERMAN LEARNING STUDY

We hope you've had a lovely Easter break, and have returned refreshed and ready to tackle the summer term! Here's a bijou edition of our newsletter to start you off in style.

OXFORD GERMAN OLYMPIAD - ROUND 2 NOW OPEN!

We are pleased to announce the launch of the second round of exciting Olympiad competitions! Here's our competition for school-aged German learners:

Topic: Deutschland, Österreich, die Schweiz - meine Traumreise! Task: design a tour of your favourite region of Germany, Austria or Switzerland. Open to: pupils of all age groups up to Year 13/age 18 years Deadline: noon on Friday 6 May 2016 Prize-giving: Divinity School, Bodleian Library, Oxford on 16 June 2016 To enter: http://www.ogn.ox.ac.uk/deutschland-traumreise-2016

Please read the detailed guidelines before entering (can be downloaded via the link above)

GERMAN LEARNING STUDY

What's the deal with German in UK schools right now, and what does the future hold? My PhD study looks at the teacher and student perspectives and links them to wider societal trends. You may have read my recent post about it on our website <u>https://oxfordgermannetwork.wordpress.com/2016/04/07/g</u> <u>erman-is-like-a-mushroom/</u>

In order to cover a range of schools, I'm still looking for secondary schools which are not privileged in terms of their pupils' socio-economic background. If you teach German in a school with a non-advantaged intake (as measurable, for example, by the free school meal index) I would love to hear from you! The study involves German learners filling in a questionnaire (no longer than 15 minutes), and I'm happy to share a summary of the results with you. I'm based in Reading, but for the right school I will travel. Do email me on h.bruton@reading.ac.uk. Looking forward to hearing from you, and thank you!

Mit vielen lieben Grüßen

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