



#### MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Time truly does fly! As we approach the end of the academic year, it amazes me just how busy BSB, Sanlitun continues to be. Year 6 students have recently completed their SATs, many students are gearing up towards their residential trips and, as I write this, all students are leaving the assembly hall after watching an amazing Sanlitun's Got Talent Final.

Being a busy school, it is important that we keep you up-to-date with dates of upcoming events. There are many ways you can do this... the school website, blogs, daily emails and the school notice board in the main reception area. However, we are now introducing a 'Year at a Glance' calendar too. For academic year 2016/17 you can now download an A4 document containing all those important dates (perfect for the fridge door) and know well in advance the dates that matter to you. Please click here for the link to the download.

Have a great weekend!

David Laird



## STAR CITIZENS THIS WEEK

#### **EARLY YEARS CAMPUS**

Adam Ming Shang Shi Alfonso Gomez Lobeira Charlie Zhang

## EARLY YEARS CAMPUS SPOTTED AWARD

Henry Luckock Kaitlyn Chak Ming Li Maria Trabulsi

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> June Year 5 & Year 6 Parent Consultation Evenings 3.45pm - 6.30pm

6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> June Year 3 Residential to Tianjin

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> June Science Project Exhibits @ Primary Campus Gym 8.45am - 9.15am

Final ASAs

9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> June School Closed for Dragon Boat Festival Holidays

## KEY STAGE 2 SWIMMING GALA By Rachel Spencer, Head of P.E.

The Key Stage Swimming Gala was held on Tuesday at BSB Shunyi. The year groups were split into two sessions; Year 3 and 4 followed by Year 5 and 6.





The children worked very hard competing in their houses in a mixture of individual 25 meter events and relay events. Here are the results:

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Yellow House 1st place (250 points)

**Red House** 

2nd place (224 points)

Green House

3rd place (201 points)

Blue House

4th place (193 points)

### Year 5 and 6

**Red House** 

1st place (87 points)

Blue House

2nd place (72 points)

Yellow House

3rd place (68 points)

Green House

4th place (52 points)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> June Year 5 Residential to Xi'an

Year 6 Residential to Inner Mongolia

14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> June Tadpoles - Year 4 Parent Consultation Evenings 3.45pm - 6.30pm

16<sup>th</sup>June Early Years Show Followed by Pastries with Parents 9.30am - 10.30am

17<sup>th</sup>June Year 2 Sleepover 5pm @ Primary Campus

19<sup>th</sup>June Family Picnic & BBQ @ Primary Campus 3pm - 6.30pm

21<sup>st</sup>June Reception Graduation 9.15am @ Primary Campus

22<sup>nd</sup>June Year 6 Graduation 2pm @ Primary Campus

28<sup>th</sup>June Nursery Trip to Tuanjiehu Park

Year 5 & 6 Show to Parents 6pm @ Primary Campus Hall

# KEY STAGE 2 SWIMMING GALA CONTINUED... By Rachel Spencer, Head of P.E.

#### **Overall Key Stage 2 Results**

Yellow House - 1st place (318 points) Red House - 2nd place (311 points) Blue House - 3rd place (265 points) Green House - 4th place (253 points)

Well done to all the children who took part in this event. Special thanks to BSB Shunyi for allowing us to use the pool for the day. A huge thank you to all of the staff involved in the running of the event and to the parents who came along to support.







## RECEPTION HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER!!!!!! By Richard Suter, Reception Sharks Class Teacher

Reception have been invaded by aliens but luckily they seem to be friendly. Reception are really enjoying their new topic 'Space' and are already learning so much. The children are focusing on what space is, how we get to space and who we might meet when we get there. The children have been pretending to be astronauts, being creative and explaining what the aliens might look like and what language they might speak.

Reception are also working very hard at writing their own space book and the children are very excited to take these home and show everybody!







CHINESE UPDATE
By Cheryl Xu, Chinese Teacher



This week in Chinese everyone had a great learning experience.

They Nursery children learned about cloths. They read a story talking about an elephant wearing trousers. They then designed different kinds of trousers for the elephant. The Reception children in Lama Temple group focussed on their topic 'people who help us'. They practised their speaking skills by talking about who they would ask for help in different situations and what they would like to do when they grow up. In Year 5 Forbidden City group, children continued to write their letters to their pen pals in Shanghai. They also wrote the address on the envelope very carefully in Chinese. Children in other Year 5 groups reviewed what they have learnt so far this term.



# TRANSITION IN EARLY YEARS By Kirsten Harding, Nursery Angel Fish Class Teacher

Right from the start, babies and young children manage changes in their lives on a daily basis. When small changes are supported by responsive, knowledgeable adults, children will gradually discover that the world is a safe and predictable place. As strong and competent learners, this will stand them in good stead when faced with the challenge of experiencing the bigger changes that will inevitably come their way.

Young children are faced with several transitional changes before they reach the age of 5 or 6. These can include transferring from home into a pre-school setting for the first time, starting in a new class and also as they progress through the Foundation Stage into Key Stage 1.

Children will respond in different ways, some with confidence, others with more apprehension, but so many adjustments are likely to have profound and long lasting effects if the importance of maintaining coherence and continuity is not well understood.

Children's confidence will be enhanced when changes happen gradually and when time is prioritised to support these transitions with sensitive planning and preparation. With this in mind our transtion process for our Early Years children has all ready begun, as we would like it to be as seemless as possible.





Our Reception children have been visiting their friends in Year 1 for some buddy reading sessions, as well as having a try at lining up with their trays at lunch time. Our Nursery children have also been visiting their friends in Reception to join in with their spontaneous play sessions and our younger children in Tadpoles and Pre-Nursery have visits arranged to spend time in their new environment.

Meetings in Reception and Nursery have been arranged for parents to discuss how they can help with their child's move to their new class and to get them ready for their new adventure. All the children seem to be having lots of fun on their visits and are looking forward to continuing on their learning journey.



## SANLITUN'S GOT TALENT!







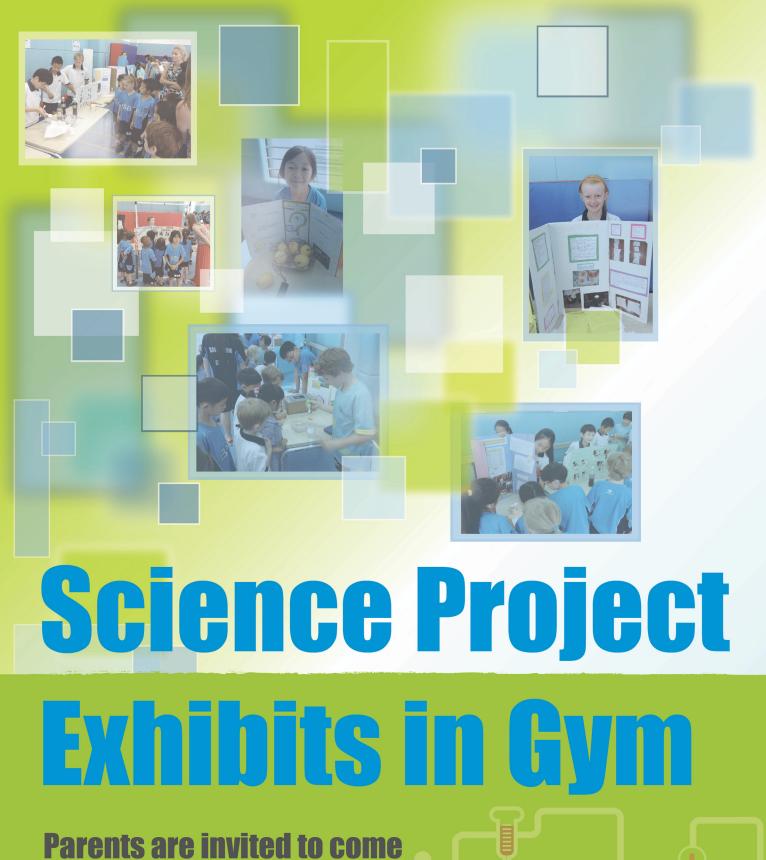












# on Tuesday 7th June and Wednesday 8th June



from **8.45am** to **9.15am**.