



29th January 2016

BSB Sanlitun's Chinese New Year Temple Fair



11am to 2pm, Sunday 31 January, 2016

Come to BSB Sanlitun (Primary Campus)

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Free Entry!

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

By David Laird, Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome to this week's edition of the newsletter. It is great to be back at school after spending a week in London to recruit new teachers for next year. While there, I was able to recruit some fantastic candidates for next year. More information about this in the next few months.

We look forward to welcoming you to the school this Sunday to enjoy our school Temple Fair. There will be lots going on, including lion dance performances, mask making and lots of other related activities.

You will also find attached an information leaflet about FUNDANCIA, The Family Ball. Keep an eye out for an email containing more information regarding this.

And finally, as promised at the last PA meeting, we are publishing a weekly average PM2.5 reading that is taken in a set of classes. This week, we have focused on Reception classes and the average score for the classrooms. You will find this information on our blog section of the school website (please click [here](#) to view the reading for this week).

Kindest regards,

David Laird





STAR CITIZENS THIS WEEK

RECEPTION

Gabriel Sailer
Mia Poppelsdorf
Nicholas Crews
SamTang

KEY STAGE ONE

Ekaansh Khatri
Garrison Smith
Jiwoo Suh
Kaden Fung
Leia Theriot
Nemanja Mirkovic
Qiao Wong
Stefan Pohlmann

KEY STAGE TWO

Cecily Harley
Gabriel Razzauti
Hamish Mitchell
Hudson Denney
Jinda Douet
Kai Lom

Next week your child will bring the certificate home explaining why they are a Star Citizen.

HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR!

By Nikhat Jerath, Pre Nursery Seashells Class Teacher

The children in Pre-Nursery have enjoyed spending a lot of time working on different art activities for Chinese New Year. They have been busy making lanterns, dragons, rockets, firework paintings, animal masks etc. Through doing different art activities the children not only produce a wonderfully finished piece of art work but develop a whole range of skills and experiences. The children are making choices and selecting materials and media, using their senses. Art activities also provide good opportunities for the children to develop their fine-motor skills, picking and sticking materials, and hand and finger strength.



With art and craft work, the finished product is not the most important factor but the process the children go through and learn from. This certainly was the case with our large scale art project last week! All the three classes had a fantastic time creating the giant firework picture in the hall. We used different media and materials to create the picture.

Whether you are travelling or relaxing here in Beijing for Chinese New Year the Pre - Nursery team wishes you a very happy and prosperous Chinese New Year - Gong Xi Fa Cai.





UPCOMING EVENTS

31st January
BSB Sanlitun Temple Fair
@ Primary Campus
11am - 2pm

Lion Dance Performances
12pm & 1pm @ Playground

Sanlitun Choir Performance
12.15pm @ Main Hall

Kungfu Performance
12.30pm @ Main Hall

Face Changing Performance
12.40pm @ Main Hall

2nd February
Baby Group @ EY Campus
9am - 10.30am

3rd February
Chinese New Year
Dress-up

Last Day of School

4th - 12th February
School Closed for
Chinese New Year Holidays

15th February
First Day Back to School

FOBISIA Training Begins
3.30pm - 4.30pm

18th February
PA Meeting
9am @ Primary Campus Hall

CREATING A RUBE GOLDBERG MACHINE

By Danny Haden, Year 5 Flamingos Class Teacher

In Year 5 recently we have begun our Global Campus Challenge in our Topic lessons. Our whole-school challenge this year is to create a Rube Goldberg machine! This is an elaborate machine that uses chain reactions to fulfil a simple end task. Year 5 are playing a key role in the challenge and this week we began experimenting in the classroom.

Over the last few weeks the children have been shown many examples of Rube Goldberg machines. They have also learnt how to collaborate and delegate effectively when working in groups as these will be highly important skills throughout the project. Last week the children learnt all about how to take high quality photographs and videos as again, these are skills that they will need to make use of during the project.



This week Flamingos had their first chance to experiment with making an actual Rube Goldberg machine. The children were first shown all of the materials and equipment that they could choose to make use of in their machines – these were all items that were found in the school or items that would otherwise have been thrown away. The children were put into groups of 3 or 4 and challenged to create a mini-Rube Goldberg machine with at least 3 steps or reactions. This proved to be a challenging task and each group had to draw upon all of their problem-solving skills in order to make their machine work. The children applied themselves really well, showing great resilience to keep on making the small adjustments needed for their reactions to work successfully.

Flamingos class are really looking forward to continuing this project and are excited at the prospect of creating an ambitious, elaborate Rube Goldberg machine.





CRAZY FOR CHOCOLATE CORNFLAKE CAKES

By Michael Aryiku, Year 2 Pandas Class Teacher

Last week saw the Pandas, Monkeys, Alligators and Elephants learn about instructions. Coinciding with their scrumptious topic, Chocolate, they learnt the instructions for making chocolate cornflake cakes, and what better way for them to check that they are able to learn and follow instructions than to make chocolate cornflake cakes.

After creating story maps showing how to make the delicious chocolate treats, the children took a copy of their story maps home to learn last weekend and were surprised when they arrived at school on Monday to find out that they would indeed be making their own chocolate cornflake cakes.

The children in each of the classes worked collaboratively to carry out the instructions, first checking that they had all the equipment and ingredients needed.





CRAZY FOR CHOCOLATE CORNFLAKE CAKES CONTINUED...

By Michael Aryiku, Year 2 Pandas Class Teacher



Walking down the Year 2 corridor on Monday, all one could smell was the delightful scent of melted chocolate. The children (and the teachers) couldn't wait to eat the chocolate delights.

After making the chocolate cornflake cakes, they were cooled in the fridge before being devoured by some very excited Year 2 children.



CITY WEEKEND ART AWARD

By Prue Harman, Admissions Team Leader

We are very proud to announce that Beth Goddard (Year 4 Kingfishers) was a runner up in the City Weekend 2015 Art and Writing competition with an artwork entitled "Wondering Stars". The theme of the competition was "It Came from Outer Space". Beth attended the awards ceremony last weekend.



BSB SANLITUN HANDBALL SUCCESS - GIRL'S TEAM

By Manon Dodet, BSB Sanlitun Sports Captain

On Tuesday of last week we took 4 teams of BSB Sanlitun girls to BSB Shunyi, where we took part in the annual JISAC Handball Exchange Competition, against other teams from WAB, Harrow, BIBA, BCIS and BSB Shunyi. It was a great day out and all the teams performed really well.

The Under 11 girls team, which I played in, came home with a 3rd place overall finish with a record of 2 wins and 2 losses, our outstanding players being Ella, Claudia and June. Our Under 10 team had a great time, with Lizzie Sutton being their most valued player. The Under 9 team worked hard and fought from deep within to walk away with their heads held high after a tough day of competition, with new team member Elsa Jarvis and old face Dain Lee being their star players. Our strongest performance came from the Under 8 team, scoring a total of 37 goals, winning 6 matches and losing none! They walked away from Shunyi with the trophy for 1st place! They were brilliant, every one of the girls was a star, each one scoring but led overall in attack by Jenny Xu and Kaila Yilmaz who scored about 30 of the goals between them!

Overall it was a really good day, and everyone had a lot of fun!



BSB SANLITUN HANDBALL SUCCESS - BOY'S TEAM

By Seiya Kakita, BSB Sanlitun Sports Captain

The day after the girls went to Shunyi it was the turn of the boys.

We took 2 under 8 teams, the A Team winning 1st place in their age group with 4 wins and 0 losses, the whole team being outstanding. The B team also played exceptionally well, with a record of 3 wins and 1 loss, their outstanding player being Ryan Looi.

We also took 2 teams in the Under 9 age group, and again got a double podium finish – the A team coming second and the B team coming third, the outstanding players in the age group being Oliver Kerry, Josh Masuka, Marco Marescialli., Jett Pederson, and Sankara Bloemen Gwisai. In the Under 10 category the boys battled really hard against teams from WAB, BCIS, Shunyi and Harrow. Their outstanding player was Gaspar Cortes.

Finally, our Under 11 boys team walked away with a well-deserved 3rd place position, captained by me! Our outstanding player was Sora Suzuki, who displayed great strength through the whole tournament and became the boss of the court, allowing Jason Lau and Ben Aurel the opportunity to score most of our goals. Overall, it was a great Team Sanlitun effort!





**SATURDAY
16TH APRIL 2016**

5pm - 9pm

KERRY HOTEL GRAND BALLROOM

1 Guang Hua Road Beijing

**EARLY BIRD TICKETS (until 25th March 2016) are 900 RMB
(includes one adult + one child)**

**Thereafter the ticket price is 1000 RMB (includes one adult + one child)
Additional children and accompanying ayis' ticket price is 200 RMB**

**For further information and ticket bookings please email
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**Tickets can be paid for at the British School of Beijing Sanlitun,
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OPTIONAL: **Free Entry!**

Why not come in traditional Chinese clothes?

Come and celebrate the Year of Monkey at BSB Sanlitun!
Friends and families are invited to join us to enjoy:

- Lion Dance - 12pm & 1pm (playground)
- BSB Sanlitun Choir performance - 12.15pm (hall)
- Kungfu performance - 12.30pm (hall)
- Face Changing performance - 12.40pm (hall)
- Chinese arts and crafts for children
- Traditional Chinese cuisine



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