



Dear Parents,

In the Arts news this week my focus is with the Art Department.

It has been yet another eye-opening experience on my recent walk around the Art Department. The progress the students have made since my last artistic adventure has been impressive and staggering. Their large scale Lichtenstein-inspired paintings are nearly complete and their Giacometti sculptures have been bronzed using the dry-brush technique and contain an air of existential dignity that Giacometti would be proud of. I am sure that the mini exhibition that Year 7-9 will be putting on in four weeks' time will be an outstanding achievement.

In other news, the Art Department has begun a small competition in conjunction with City Weekend. Students are to produce a painting or drawing that represents their city; entries will be started this week and will be completed for homework. This is an excellent opportunity for students to have the chance for their artwork to be seen by outside eyes as all successful entries will be exhibited at the Hongqiao Railway Station.

As we draw ever closer to the end of term, we are excitedly looking forward to the festive season. We have choir performances at the Kerry Hotel (27<sup>th</sup> November from 5.30-5.50pm), the Christmas Bazaar (29<sup>th</sup> November from 11am-3pm), the Carol Concert (3<sup>rd</sup> December from 6-7.30pm) and at the Ritz Carlton (4<sup>th</sup> December from 6-7pm). We welcome any parents, even if your child is not performing, to these events so please do come and support our students and hear their wonderful performances.

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