

THE BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Puxi, Shanghai

#### HELPING OTHERS TO BE THE BEST THEY CAN BE

#### WEEKLY PARENT NEWSLETTER – Pre Nursery 28 April 2014

#### Messages

- Thursday and Friday 1 and 2 May are school holidays. Enjoy the long weekend!
- Early Year Cubs Sports Day

Monday 28 April at 9am Primary Campus (before the weather gets too hot) Please remember to send a filled water bottle each day as the weather is getting warmer and it's important that the children stay hydrated.

Water & Snacks - Children will have access to water throughout the sports but need to bring their water bottle. Oranges will be provided as a snack and you may want to send an extra healthy NUT FREE snack on this day.

Clothing - Your son or daughter should arrive at school in their PE kit and house t-shirt. We strongly recommend that they wear a sun hat and sun-cream.

• Book Fair

Mark the dates in your diary! Our annual Book Fair is coming on 8, 9 and 10May (Thursday, Friday and Saturday). There will be a great selection of books available for all ages. More details will follow after the break.

• Indoor shoes – Over the next term we would like to phase in all children having separate indoor shoes for school. We kindly ask that all parents provide their children with a change of shoes for indoor play, these can be kept in their cubbies and put on once at school. Children will then change into their outdoor shoes for outdoor play. Providing your children with a pair of comfortable slip-on (with back) indoor shoes helps to keep our Cubs area cleaner whilst ensuring your child's comfort and safety.



• We are all enjoying the spring weather, the sunny days and the rainy days. We like to be prepared for everything so we would appreciate if you could send in sun hats along with rain boots (wellies) and a raincoat. Please label all items with your child's name.



#### Learning Theme of the week – Keeping fit and healthy!

We have talked a lot about all the different vegetables on the farm and how they help to keep us big and strong, but what else do we need to stay healthy? We need to keep fit by doing exercise. What do you like to do at home to stay healthy? What is your favorite outdoor activity?

#### Physical development

As we have sports day this week we will be doing lots of physical activities, hopefully the rain holds off so we can get busy outside! The children have been working on many different skills in P.E but we will be focusing on throwing and kicking and also having a go at an obstacle course in small groups.



Vocabulary: Jump, throw, catch, kick

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#### Understanding the world

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The children will be helping us to develop our outdoor area this week. Our seeds are growing well and it's time to replant them into bigger pots. The children have been amazing at taking care

of the plants and seeds and need very little support with this daily activity now. We also have lots of new plants and herds for the children to plant and explore. How do the plants get water? Let's have a look at the plants roots.

Vocabulary: Roots, plants, herbs, pots, planting



- Moves freely and with pleasure and confidence in a range of ways, such as slithering, shuffling, rolling, crawling, walking, running, jumping, skipping, sliding and hopping.
- Runs skillfully and negotiates space successfully, adjusting speed or direction to avoid obstacles.
- Can catch a large ball.

#### Understanding the world

- Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world.
- Can talk about some of the things they have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects.
- Shows care and concern for living things and the environment.
- Developing an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time.

#### Mandarin

We will talk about sport activities, running , jumping, hopping & throwing.

Vocabulary: football-zu qiu, swimming-you yong, running-pao bu, tennis-wang qiu, gymnastics-ti cao, rope skipping-tiao sheng.

#### Dutch

Deze week hebben we rond het thema 'groeien en bloeien'gewerkt. Nieuwe woorden zoals potgrond, zaadjes, zaaien, wortels,steel, gieten, gieter etc. zijn veelvuldig gebruikt. De kinderen hebben tuinkers gezaaid en houden de groei elke dag in de gaten. Ook verzorgen ze hun plantje zeer goed.

Tevens hebben ze prachtige hyacinten geverfd. We hebben een dans gemaakt op het liedje "Er zitten bolletjes in de grond".

Elke week mogen de kinderen een boek lenen uit de bieb, geeft u alstublieft <u>elke dinsdag</u> het biebboek weer mee aan uw kind.

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Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Many thanks again.

The Pre Nursery Team.