

Primary Information Workshop

02-03-2016



Update from the Principal

Whole School Matters

- Primary Headteacher
- IB and Secondary School standards/BEIMUN/TPRS
- Return to the Forbidden Planet
- Space Week
- Portable Magic
- Juilliard Music School launch

Curriculum Developments

- Workshops have continued for parents on Mathematics and English – Maths workshop 16-03-2016
- Teams have been working on assessment criteria now levels have been removed in England
- Almost at the point of release to staff for trialling in English and Maths
- All 42 Nord Anglia Schools have agreed on the rationale for assessment – as a school we have developed it from there
- Reporting to parents this year will continue to be Exceeding, At or Below the 'BSB' expected level
- We will be doing an End of KS assessment in Y2 and 6 that has parity with England this year

Online library - Overdrive

Committed to bringing unique learning opportunities to our students

OverDrive is an extension of BSB's physical library, only it's online with 24/7 access to eBooks and audiobooks.

It's convenient - home, on the weekends or during school breaks with no worry about misplacing a book – these digital titles automatically return at the end of the lending period!

Browse and borrow through their own personal login, and enjoy anytime, anywhere, with access on all major computers and devices, including iPhone®, iPad®, Nook®, Android™ phones and tablets.

Can be found at <http://bsbs.lib.overdrive.com> or, it can be accessed by downloading the Overdrive app. (Apple and Android)

Overdrive - continued

- Our website currently has 110 titles - fiction, non-fiction, text and audiobooks.
- Titles were chosen through collaboration with teachers and students to create a collection that supports our curriculum but also allows for reading for pleasure.
- For now the new service is being offered to students from year 3 upwards, but may eventually be offered to younger students.
- Pupils will receive their own personal logins and should be able to access our ebook facility as soon as they have.
- We will be using the upcoming months to closely monitor the new system, to see how the students use the ebooks, see what's popular and what's not and start to develop and expand our collection.
- If you have any questions or would like to give some feedback, please contact Rachel Harrison, Secondary Librarian at Rachel.harrison@britishschool.org.cn including additional book titles/authors etc. your child may be interested in.

Environment for learning

- Early Years pool is now fully functional
- Looking at how we can develop the Y1 classrooms to support the transition from EYFS into KS1 more effectively
- Already started our Y6 into Y7 transition with children going into the secondary classrooms with secondary teachers
- Playground - Redesigned the astroturf area near the Reception/Y1 playground to accommodate Y2 as well. This has released more space for the KS2 children on the main playground

Residentials

- Our year 5 and 6 trips are now being organised by Insight – the company used across the secondary school for their trips
- Looking at alternative modes of transport to enable the children to experience ‘The Bullet Train’ to different locations
- Year 4 to Pingyao is running as previous years but with a train ride!
- Year 3 - we have teamed up with The Hutong Group to provide us with a more structured few days of activity and a visit to a less ‘touristy’ part of the wall than Mutianyu!
- Year 2 – sleepover – in the gym, all together, inside our tents – an outdoor/indoor camping experience!



Questions?



Thank you.