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The Wen Lin Journal

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Welcome to the 4th edition of this years Wen Lin Journal - the fortnightly newsletter for the European Primary Campus.

Inside this newsletter you will find all the latest goings on for the French Section, German Section, British Infant Section and British Junior Section. We also frequently have articles from other parts of the school community such as the library staff and PTA.

Inside this week's journal…

- Find out how much fun the British Reception children have been having?
- Who is featured in this weeks teacher feature?
- The British Junior Section go Italian
- The French Section show off their artistic prowess
- See how much fun Oktoberfest is in the German Kindergarten
- Get an update on the CLC review

We also have…

Our usual letters from Mrs Martin and Ms Corry and contributions from the library staff.

School Website Links

British Infant Section	http://www.taipeieuropeanschool.com/tbs/index.php
British Junior Section	http://www.taipeieuropeanschool.com/tbs/index.php
French Section	http://www.taipeieuropeanschool.com/eft/index.php
German Section	http://www.taipeieuropeanschool.com/tgs/index.php

British Infants

Dear Parents

We opened the new playground this week, and as you can see from the photographs, the children are really enjoying it. We would like to thank the British Primary PTA and the PSC for supporting the project. We would also like to thank you for supporting us keeping the Infant Section closed from 2:30.

I would also like to announce the date of our 'Reverse Christmas Tree'. This will be on THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER. We ask the parents to buy a Christmas gift suitable for their own child, label it clearly, for example "Suitable for a Girl aged 6 years old", and then let their child bring it to school on December 8th. The children then "give" the gifts to the Christmas Tree. The gifts then go to children either locally or abroad, depending on where the need is. We have people who help us with the distribution. This is a really lovely event, and it powerfully teaches the children the joy of giving as opposed to the fun of receiving. The last 2 years has seen a tremendous response from the parents, and we are hoping for an equally good year this year.

One final date for your diaries—FRIDAY 18th NOVEMBER. I will be running a workshop on our Reading Scheme in the Infant Cookery Room at 1:00.

Best wishes

Ruth Martin

Head of the British Infant Section

British Infants

British Section

What a busy term it has been in Reception. The children have settled in well and have been extremely engaged in all areas of the foundation stage curriculum. From painting to

SO MUCH FUN IN RECEPTION!!

British Infants

British Section

Teacher Feature!

Name: Tina Chang

Code Name: Miss Chang

Likes: Basketball, running, cycling, shopping, food,

Favourite thing: Travelling

When she grows up… I want to be a teacher.

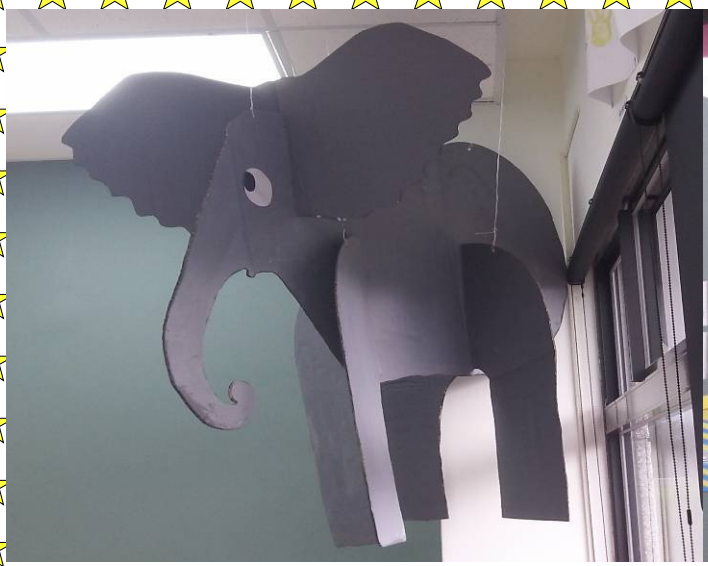
Name: Shakira Rumjaun

Code Name: Teacher

Likes: Travelling, sleeping, food, hanging out with my family.

Favourite thing: Travelling

When she grows up… I want to travel around the world



British Juniors

British Section

Dear Parents, Students and friends of the School,

Lots of exciting events are planned over the next few weeks.

Friday 28th November Disco 6:00 - 7:30 in the Amphitheatre	Halloween
Tuesday 1st November	8:10 B6CB Assembly in Amphitheatre
Friday 4th November	Tribe Assembly (Children come to school in their tribe colours - a note will be put into Home/Link diaries)
Friday 4th November	EAL reports to parents
Monday 7th November	PTA meeting
Tuesday 8th November	Year 5 Greek Day and at 8:10am B5MF Class Assembly
Wednesday 9th November	Maths workshop for parents 'Fractions' 6:30pm
Week beginning Monday 14th November	No ECAs organized by teachers (Culture, Language and Dance ECAs will continue)
Tuesday 15th November	Assembly 'Anti– Bullying' - all wear blue today

The children have been working hard to accumulate tribe merits and we have collected the totals for each Tribe so far this term. The merits are awarded for excellent work, behaviour or effort. On Friday 4th November the children (and teachers) come to school dressed in their tribe colours and 'The Golden Cup' is awarded to the winning tribe.

Last Tuesday, in Assembly, two H4 (High School) students from TES, Stephanie and Ahmad, gave the children a presentation about the time they spent last year with the Bunan tribe as part of their CAS project . In H3 the students work on community projects and this year will continue to support the tribe by raising funds. As part of their efforts they have organised tonight's Halloween Disco. Our Student Councillors have been selling tickets all week and have now sold out!

St Lucy's Bazaar Kirst Crnjac has been in the glass tube most mornings and afternoons selling tickets and raffle tickets for St Lucy's Bazaar. If you would like to support this worthwhile cause please see the poster in this newsletter.

New Playground

It was with great excitement that the children arrived at school on Monday morning able to play on the new equipment in the Central Playground. Please see the photos and comments on the next page.

After school children are only allowed to play in this area if they are supervised by a parent. No one is allowed to be in the Infant Playground area and only those children attending a sports club should be on the playground at the rear of the school. Children should not be left at school unsupervised after classes finish.

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Kelsey Y5 .. I love the slides as it feels like you are going to fly off.

Chloe Y5 … I love the swings and the new play-ground gives you something different to do at playtime.

Jonathon Y5 … I think it's wonderful - very child friendly with cool stuff and it helps with climbing.

Jude Y5 … I love the ropes. It is nice to be able to climb and you can set yourself challenges.

Kind regards

Adele Corry

Head of British Junior Section

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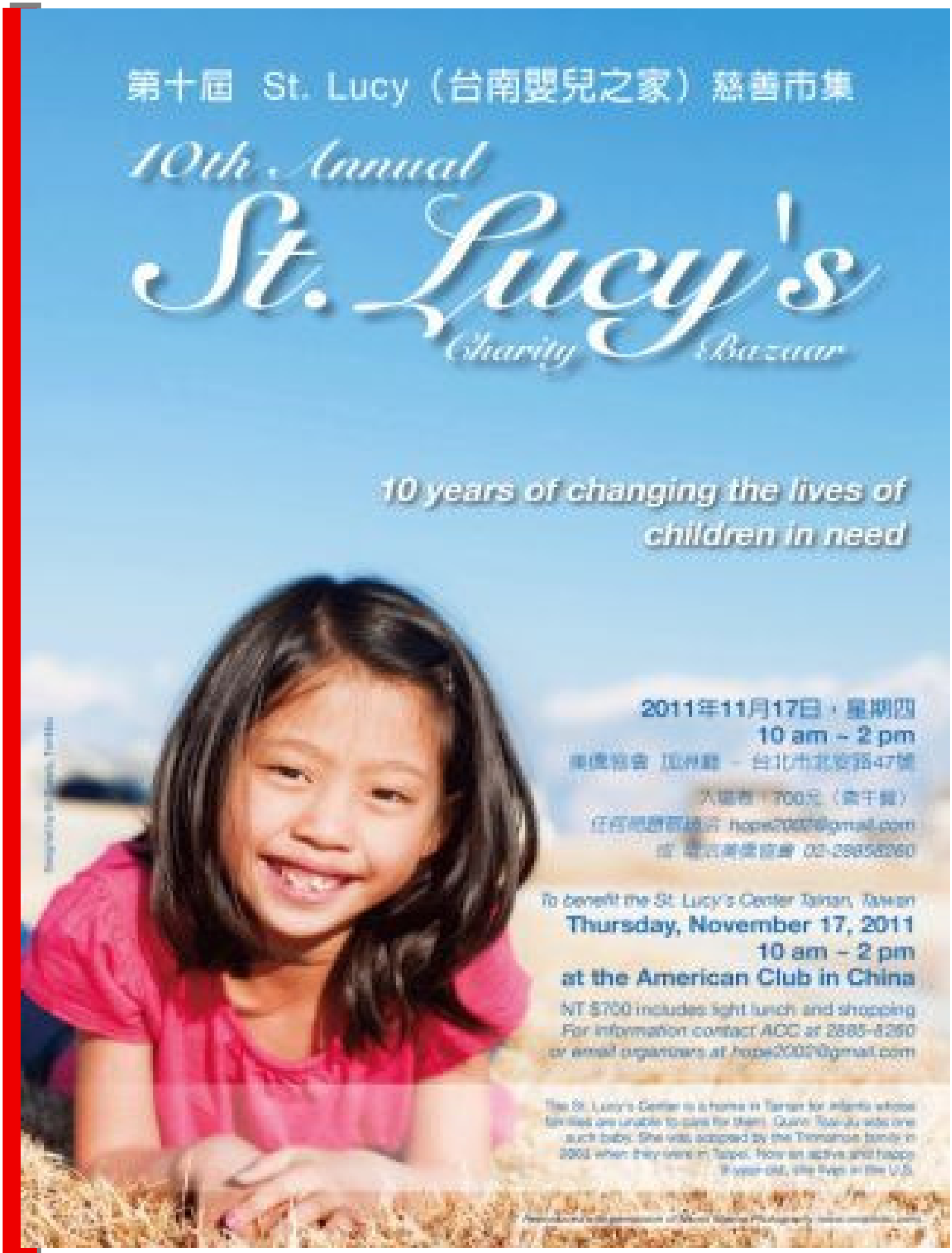
第十屆 St. Lucy（台南嬰兒之家）慈善市集
10th Annual
St. Lucy's
Charity Bazaar
10 years of changing the lives of children in need
2011年11月17日，星期四
10 am ~ 2 pm
美僑協會 加州廳 – 台北市北安路47號
入場券：700元（含午餐）
任何問題請連絡 hope2002@gmail.com
或 電話美僑協會 02-28858260
To benefit the St. Lucy's Center Tainan, Taiwan
Thursday, November 17, 2011
10 am ~ 2 pm
at the American Club in China
NT $700 includes light lunch and shopping
For information contact ACC at 2885-8260
or email organizers at hope2002@gmail.com
The St. Lucy's Center is a home in Tainan for infants whose families are unable to care for them. Quinn Tsai-Ju was one such baby. She was adopted by the Thomanoe family in 2001 when they were in Taipei. Now an active and happy 9 year old, she lives in the U.S.

British Juniors

Year 5: Italian for a day!

British Section

TAIPEI TIMES

Report dated: 23 September

TES Year 5 to open new Pizza Restaurant?

The rumour on the streets of Shihlin is that the wafting aroma of pizza which was detected around the Wenlin Road Campus of TES over the past week is due to the Year 5 students completing a ***Literacy*** task?? In relation to this event, unconfirmed reports suggest that parents were also seen lurking in large numbers around the cooking room of the Junior School on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week. Is this an attempt by the school in question to branch out and try their hand at culinary success, as well as continue on their path to academic brilliance? Upon further investigation it appears that

British Juniors Year 5:

British Section

Cont'd - TES Year 5 to open new Pizza Restaurant?

'A lot of fun was had on the day and it was a great opportunity for parents to be a part of what we do here in the Junior School', reported Mr McKelvie, one of the teachers responsible for the delicious smells which filled the Junior building. Miss Winfieldale suggested that the children, who all had a strict set of '*success criteria'* to follow, wrote the recipes themselves after watching a demonstration by their teachers. The recipes were easy to follow and were obviously extremely well written judging by the fabulous results. To finish

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Year 5 say NO to tinned fruit!

As part of our Science topic about the body, Year 5 learnt how to make a fruit salad. As well as being really good for us, we decided that fruit salad is a much nicer alternative to tinned fruit. Why don't you make a fruit salad at home? Ask anyone

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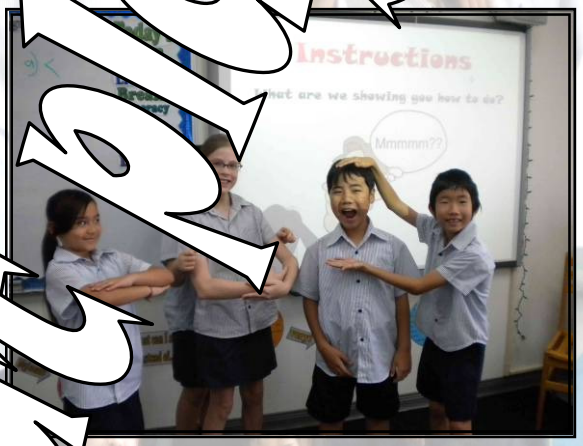

Year 5 at play...

Section Française

Exposition Picasso

"Tout le monde a adoré les tableaux de Picasso!"

AU MOIS DE SEPTEMBRE, LES CLASSES DE CE2, CM1, CM2, SONT ALLÉS VISITER "L'EXPOSITION PICASSO" AU MUSÉE D'HISTOIRE DE TAIPEI.

Travaux realisés par les classes de CE2 et CM1.

"**On a vu beaucoup de tableaux de Picasso.**"

"Les tableaux de Picasso étaient très beaux.

Il y avait des tableaux bizarres, mais ils étaient quand même jolis."

"On a pris le métro pour arriver au musée (9 stations)."

Travaux realisés par la classe de CM2.

Tournoi de lutte

CHAMPIONNAT DU MONDE INTERNATIONAL ET PLANÉTAIRE DE LUTTE DE CE2 BILINGUE DE TAIPEI.

Lundi 24 Octobre, c'est **Nathan Delépine** qui a gagné le tournoi de lutte de la classe de CE2. **Hortense Pelletan** est arrivée deuxième et **Vincent Lu**, troisième.

Tout le monde a bien combattu et a aussi été arbitre.

Deutsche Sektion

Oktoberfest im deutschen Kindergarten in der TES

Oktoberfest im Kindergarten

von Larissa Kendzia

„Die Kleinen feiern ganz groß“

Auf geht's zur Wiesn - und da wir das Oktoberfest nicht besuchen können, holen wir es uns eben nach Taiwan. Dank unserer sehr engagierten Elternvertreterinnen, Eltern und Kollegen haben wir es geschafft ein solches Fest auf die Beine zu stellen.

Über die richtige Wiesn und das Land Bayern hatten die Kinder zuvor in der Gruppe schon viel erfahren. „Wir haben über Trachten, die Farben blau-weiß und bayerische Musik gesprochen.“ Es wurden bayrische Lieder gesungen und bayrische Tänze getanzt.

Dann war es endlich soweit. Am letzten Dienstag kamen viele unsere Kinder und Eltern zu unserem ersten Kinder-Oktoberfest. Viele davon in bayrischer Tracht, zu unserer Überraschung auch einige taiwanische Eltern!

Wir haben eine französiche Klasse, die „Grande Sektion als Ehrengäste“, zu unserem Fest eingeladen. Neben den vielen Spielaktionen die im Laufe des Vormittags angeboten wurden, war es uns wichtig ein Stück deutsche Kultur den französischen Kindern zu vermitteln. Unsere französischen Gäste sollten einige Traditionen von dem größten Volksfest der Welt kennen-lernen, und somit auch den kulturellen Austausch in der TES-Gemeinschaft fördern.

Eröffnet wurde das Fest mit einem kleinen Umzug mit dem bayrischen Kinderlied „Ein Elefant im Bayernland“ im Hintergrund. Die Kinder fuhren mit kleinen dekorierten Fahrzeugen eine kleine Runde um die Wiese, und warfen den französischen Kinder mit Bonbons zu.

Anschließend wurden mit typischen Bildern vom Oktoberfest allen Kindern der gschichtliche Hintergrund und die dazugehörigen Tratitionen zeitgleich auf deutsch und französisch erklärt.

Die Kinder wurden in zehn Gruppen eingeteilt, jede Gruppe bestand aus zwei französichen und zwei deutschen Kindern. Jede Gruppe hatte ein bayrisches Symbol, das sich die Kinder um den Hals hängen.

Eineinhalb Stunden hatten die Kinder Zeit die verschiedenen Stände zu durchlaufen. Bei Musik-stopp war Standwechsel angesagt. Es wurden Dosenwerfen, Entenangeln, Schoko-Spieße-Drehen, Lebkuchenherzen-Basteln angeboten. Und ein Highlight war auch ein extra einstudiertes

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französisch/deutsches Kasperletheater, bei dem die Kinder mit Begeisterung zuhörten. Sehr lustig war auch das bayrisches Tanzen, wo sich die Jungs beim Schuhplatteln verausgabten. Beim „Brezenschnappen“ konnten die Kinder ihre Springkünste unter Beweis stellen, und beim improvisiertem Karusell wurde es den Kindern ganz schön schwindelig

Es gab auch einen Stand, an dem sich die Mädchen ein Dirndl und die Jungs eine Lederhose anziehen durften, anschließend wurden lustige Fotos mit einer Riesenbrezel gemacht.

Bei strahlendem Sonnenschein und ausgelassener Stimmung durften die Kinder an den von der Bäckerei Wendel gesponserten Biertischen und Bierbänken Platz nehmen. An dieser Stellen ein großes Dankeschön an Bäckerei Wendel! Bei Schunkelmusik bekamen sie leckere Würstchen mit Kartoffelsalat und Brezen serviert.

Natürlich durften bei so einer traditionellen bayrischen Mahlzeit die Getränke auch nicht fehlen.

Selbstverständlich gab es kein Bier, aber dafür hatten die Kinder die Auswahl zwischen Apfelsaftschorle oder einem Malzgetränk.

Nun hatten auch die Eltern endlich die Möglichkeit, bei geselligem Beisammensein zu ratschen (sich unterhalten) und schlemmen.

Die Großen und Kleinen genossen dieses Fest in vollen Zügen in einer bayrischen festlichen Atmosphäre und werden das Oktoberfest in der TES wohl so schnell nicht vergessen.

Die Kinder haben einen außergewöhnlichen Vormittag vebracht, hatten sehr viel Spaß und waren überaus glücklich mit einem echtem Lebkuchenherz mit der Aufschrift „Kleiner Schatz“, das ebenfalls extra von der Bäckrei Wendel angerftigt worden ist nach Hause zu gehen.

Für diese sehr gelungene Veranstaltung ein herzliches Dankeschön an alle Beteiligten für Ihr großes Engagement und Ihren ausgesprochenen Enthusiasmus!

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EPC Library

Dear Parents,

The British scientist and writer, Charles Percy Snow, once said "Technology… is a queer thing. It brings you great gifts with one hand, and it stabs you in the back with the other." It is the very reason why the Library team is hosting this challenging "Quiz Break" (photos on the following page) during lunch breaks. In the past two weeks, students across sections and year groups have showed great abilities of doing research with computers either in a team or individually.

Furthermore, the popular gold award winning magazine, *Your Big Backyard*, has had a brand-new cover and title, *BiG Backyard*! It is going to be an eye-catcher if your little one is an animal fan. Come and discover the new look of *BiG Backyard* in our Infant Library!

Last but not least, we encourage children to use the Library resources and promote various Library activities to create a teaching-learning friendly environment for one and all. We expect all the Library users to use our resources well and to respect books. Yet, no single child is punished or banned from using the Library for neither overdue nor damaged books. Hence, please contact our Library staff

EPC Library

Taipei European School QUIZ BREAK!!

Have you got the answers??

Technically Speaking, How Much Do You Know?

CLC Update

Dear All

As you know, we are well under way with our CLC review process. The CLC team have been working very hard to make sure that the new curriculum for 2012-13 will be of the highest quality, giving exceptional learning opportunities for all our children at TES.

The CLC team have been working on:

- Creating 4 distinct Chinese language pathways
- Developing a new curriculum to encompass the 4 pathways
- Reception to Y6 multi-level cultural planner

  An overview of the cultural enrichment the children will receive throughout the Pri mary CLC programme
- Reception to Y6 sentence pattern overview

  An overview of the sentences that need to be learnt by the end of each year in terms of speaking, listening, reading and writing with examples
- Reception to Y6 words and phrases overview

  An overview of the specific words and phrases that need to be learnt by the end of each year in terms of speaking, listening, reading and writing

We are very pleased that several parents from the Board of Governors have agreed to form part of our CLC steering committee to ensure the highest quality curriculum with a view from the TES parent community.

The curriculum will be complete at the end of April and will be launched in September 2012. More information about the CLC review will come out from the Central Office in the near future.

Kind regards

Craig Lewis
Assistant Head of Infants
Chinese Language and Culture coordinator