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Welcome to the 11th 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...

- The German Section Kindergarten are singing in the rain
- The French Section go book crazy
- The British Section Year 4 children go poetry mad
- Once upon a time in British Section Year 1...
- What's new in the Library?

We also have...

School Website Links

Our usual letters from Mrs Martin and Ms Corry and contributions from



British Infant Section

<http://www.taipeiuropeanschool.com/tbs/index.php>



British Junior Section

<http://www.taipeiuropeanschool.com/tbs/index.php>



French Section

<http://www.taipeiuropeanschool.com/eft/index.php>



German Section

<http://www.taipeiuropeanschool.com/tgs/index.php>



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Support Council presents to you a*

MAGICAL NIGHT

6:30pm Saturday 21st April

Gala Evening 2012

Palais de Chine Hotel (5th floor)
No.3, Section 1, Chengde Road, Taipei 台北市承德路一段3號

Contact for further information:
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Dress Code: Cocktail



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Wir entwerfen unsere

the library staff.

von Larissa Kendzia



Im Kindergarten dreht sich seit einigen Wochen alles um das Thema Wasser, genauer gesagt „Regen“. Wir lernten das Lied „Unter meinem Schirmchen

macht der Regen Spaß“. Wir wissen jetzt sogar auch was „Kondensieren“ bedeutet, und bei einem Experiment sahen wir dass Regentropfen gar keine Tropfenform haben, sondern ganz rund sind.

Wir beschlossen unsere Regenschirme selbst zu entwerfen und malten sie fleißig kunterbunt an. Damit auch jeder weiß, wer den Schirm entworfen hat, pinselten wir unsere Namen darauf.

Wenn es wieder einmal regnet, können wir stolz mit unserem einzigartigen Schirm durch Taipei spazieren. Jeder Schirm ist ein Kunstwerk für sich und einmalig.



Section Française



LA FOIRE AUX LIVRES

En ce mois froid de février, la Section française de la TES a eu droit à ses petits rayons de soleil. De Tintin à Choupi en passant par Loulou, chaque enfant de la Petite Section au CM2 a eu l'opportunité de partir à la rencontre de nouvelles et belles histoires grâce à la **Foire aux Livres** organisée par des mamans en partenariat avec la librairie le Pigeonnier. Guidés par les enseignants, les enfants ont pris le temps de découvrir ou re découvrir des livres, des auteurs et d'acheter des ouvrages s'ils le souhaitaient.



British Juniors



Dear Parents, Students and friends of the School,



Over the year each class performs an assembly for the rest of the Junior Section and parents are also invited. The class assemblies are a chance for the children to showcase their learning and to also develop excellent speaking, drama and musical skills.

This week at school Ms Barker's class performed an exciting assembly entitled 'Night at the Museum', during which different explorers they had been learning about came to life.

At school we encourage the children to become explorers in terms of their learning. This means being prepared to take risks and try out different things even knowing there is a chance that mistakes will be made. The author Mark Twain said "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the things you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbour, Catch the trade winds in your sails, Explore, Dream Discover."

After next week the children in Year Six will be heading off on their week-long residential trip to Southern Taiwan. The trip is an excellent opportunity for self-discovery and learning to manage new situations - which is great preparation for moving on to Secondary School.

Last night I was lucky to be a guest at the TES 2012 Ballet Concert. Many of the girls from the Junior Section took part and were absolutely gorgeous. Well done to all involved. Next week is the Music Concert and I am very much looking forward to what I know is going to be a talent - filled evening.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

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British Juniors



During recent weeks, Year 4 students have been working hard on deconstructing and understanding poems, as well as writing their own poems. They have looked at the structure and features of free verse, haiku and cinquains as well as metaphor poems. Below are just some of the fine examples of poems that have been created by the students. We hope that you enjoy reading them and that they inspire you to read or even write some of your own poetry.

Cinquains by year 4

Candle



Brilliant gleam

Dazzling, burning, glowing

As bright as the stars high above

Fire

By Ashley

Stars

Chromatic, brilliant

Dazzling, twinkling, striking

Gleaming diamonds exploding into zooming rockets

Shooting asteroid

By Rita



Lantern

Bright, attractive

Blazing, twinkling, charming

Sparkling splendidly in the night sky

Light

By Scott



Moon

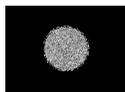
Freeze, illuminate

Twirling, spinning, rotating

Peacefully floating alone

Planet

By Arsalan



Lantern

Bright, crimson

Floating, lighting, glimmering

Hung for Chinese New Year

Fire

By: Joel



Star

Bright, vast

shooting, reflecting, shining

Beautiful as a diamond

sun.

by: Gil



Lanterns

Chinese New Year

Fireworks and dragons

They shine and glow with pride and hope

Sparkle

By Jeni



Star Wars

Sidious, Vader

People battling clones

The dark side fighting the Forces

War ends

By Ian



Lantern

Happy New Year

It glows and gives you luck

Her misty veil is always white

Lantern

By Sabrina



British Juniors

My family lives in a toy box By: Eerika Leppihalme

My dad is a tin soldier, strong and helpful.

My mom is a string of pearls, pretty and fabulous.

My middle sister, Inka, is a skipping rope, fun and playful.

My baby sister, Emilia, is a wind-mill-toy, busy and fast.

I am a teddy bear, cute and friendly.

This is my family...of toys!

Metaphor poems

by year 4NM

In My Toy Box



My Family Is Sports Equipment By: Junsung

Dad is a shin pad, powerful, brave and protective

Mum is soccer boots, preventing me from sliding off track

JunYoung is the goal keepers gloves, smooth and chubby

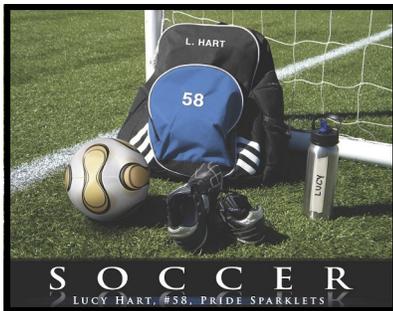
Michael is red card, always silly and getting us in trouble

Cindy is the referees flag wiggly, tall and slim

Jason is the ball, speedy and always on the move

My Grandparents are the socks, prolonged and always in a pair

As for me, I am the pitch that engulfs my family with all of my love



My Family Are Mythical Creatures By : Baltazar

Grandpa is a gnome, wise and old

Grandma is a fairy godmother, clever and sweet

Dad is a dragon, strong and powerful

Mom is an unicorn, unique, admired by everyone

My big sister, Nancy is a witch, lazy and wicked

My sister, Sarahi is a mermaid, she loves swimming and playing in water

My little sister, Sophie is a fairy, tiny and always showing off

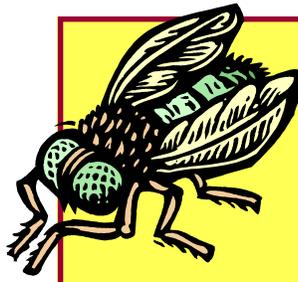
My dog, Candy is a werewolf, naughty and always showing his teeth

This is my family of..... mythical creatures

By: Baltazar Zuniga Ruiz



British Juniors



Bug Chants by year 4JM

Bug Chant by Vickie

Shabby bugs, thinking bugs

Smelly bugs, blinking bugs.

Kitchen bugs, pan bugs

Find them on your trash can bugs.

Glow bugs, low bugs

Find them in the snow bugs.

Door bugs, more bugs

Find them on the floor bugs.

Bug Chant by Svante

Stinky bugs, thinking bugs

Smelly bugs, blinking bugs.

Kitchen bugs, pan bugs

Find them in your trash can bugs.

Joke bugs, trick bugs

Get rid of them quick bugs.

Spam bugs, mean bugs

Bug Chant by Sara

Stinky bugs, thinking bugs

Smelly bugs, blinking bugs.

Kitchen bugs, pan bugs

Find them in the trash can bugs.

Joke bugs, trick bugs

Get rid of them quick bugs.

Door bugs, more bugs

Bug Chant by Rose

Stinky bugs, thinking bugs

Smelly bugs, blinking bugs.

Kitchen bugs, pan bugs

Find them on your trash can bugs.

Four bugs, floor bugs

Find them on your door bugs.

Can bugs, man bugs

Find them on your dustpan bugs.

Cry bugs, eye bugs

Stopping on your eye bugs.

Bug Chant by Max

Stinky bugs, thinking bugs

Smelly bugs, blinking bugs.

Flying in your pan bugs

Find them in the trash can bugs.

Running bugs, climbing bugs

Eating bugs, dining bugs.

Pie bugs, sly bugs

Find them in your eye bugs.

Door bugs, tree bugs

Eating your knee bugs.

Bug Chant by Kaz

Stinky bugs, thinking bugs

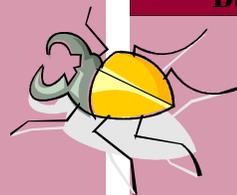
Smelly bugs, blinking bugs.

Marching in your van bugs

Find them on your trash can bugs.

Lie bugs, eye bugs

Find them up high bugs.



British Juniors

A Metaphor poem

by Year 4AL

B4AL lives in a toy box.

Austin is a radio, talkative and loud

Shubh is a rubric cube, tricky and challenging

Jasmine is a teddy bear, timid and comforting

Jhon Michael is a tin soldier, responsible and protective

Gil is a bicycle, speedy and adventurous

Caesar is a jack-in the box, surprising and funny

Natasha is a jigsaw puzzle, quiet and independent

Satoko is a storybook, descriptive and imaginative

Capucine is a skipping rope, active and entertaining

Joel is chess set, particular and complicated

Grace is a hula a hoop, flexible and co-operative

Sofia is a string of pearls, precious and popular

Helena is a pack of cards, versatile and reliable

Nikitha is an i-pod, musical and helpful

Annika is a doll, adorable and playful

Jun Hang is a baseball, accurate and quick

Natalie is a rubber ball, bouncy and excitable

Arsalan is a calculator, intelligent and mathematical

Bo is water paint, artistic and goes with the flow

Charlotte is a pair of roller blades, speedy and energetic

Ms.Gerber is a tub of play dough, creative and easy to work with

Mrs.Liufalani is the toy box, holding and protecting us.

Written by children of 4AL



British Infants



Dear Parents

We have delivered many workshops over the last 2 terms, and we really appreciate all the support you have shown. We had the last of a series of three workshops titled 'Wobbles, Wants and Worries' led by Miss Rowe today, and last week Mrs Elrick did the second Maths Workshop. Miss Rowe is also leading a workshop on the Foundation Stage curriculum next Friday, and then there is one more to go, and this is going to be led by Mr Lewis. The workshop is for parents of Year 2 children only, and the focus will be how we assess the children as they get ready to move to the Junior Section. Mr Lewis will be sending you more information early next week.

Following on with the theme of 'Wobbles, Wants and Worries', and how we support the children in their personal, social and emotional well being, I led an assembly today all about "Making the right choice". I set up different scenarios with the children and talked about the choices they could make, and how important it is for them to make the right choice. If possible, I would like you to support this notion at home over the next few weeks. Children make choices in how they behave all the time, and they are not always the right choices, but this is how they learn. However, they need our input to support them in their choices. For example, if a child chooses to push another child, we talk to them about how they chose to make the wrong choice by doing something unkind with their hands, and we give them alternatives, for example asking an adult to intervene or trying to negotiate.

I hope you feel you can help with this sort of discussion at home, so they are getting the same message at home as they are at school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ruth Martin

Head of the British Infant Section

British Infants

Welcome to our Year 1 newsletter.

This term we have all been very busy and have had so much fun learning in our Once upon a time topic.



British Section



We have been learning many new things about Fairytales. We have learnt how fairytales are written and many of the different aspects of our fairytales.. Each class is practicing hard and learning our play scripts for our upcoming spring show. This is a great challenge for the students but we know they can do it! We truly value all the support you give in helping to make our shows successful.

The children enjoyed book week and our visit to the Year 5 classes. We gained a great deal from the experience of visiting older students and widening our knowledge of books. This week also culminated in the prizes for the Extreme readers winners. Well done to all of our students who completed an "Extreme Reader" form.



We had a fun and festive time celebrating carnival! Everyone dressed up and enjoyed the activities after the parade. We met some new friends from the other sections and participated in activities around the school.

The crepes were yummy and Thank you parents for the delicious condiments!

EPC Library



Dear Parents,

The Library Team is constantly working on building an enjoyable and welcoming reading environment for all our readers. Have you noticed anything different in our Library during your recent visit?

To begin with, I believe no one would ignore the big screen outside the Library that shows book previews. We discover that the very TV area has become a popular site of gathering, socializing, and snacking (since no food or beverages are allowed in our Library.) On the other side of the entrance, unlike the attention-getting screen, a spider web, a Charlotte's Web, had been silently spun. To find out more about the web, you must have a look first!

Inside the Library, the rails of the Island Area in our Infant Library are decorated with colourful posters which give our young readers a glimpse of our latest collection of books. Furthermore, a boat that stands quietly next to the magazine shelf are now covered with brief introduction of various authors for mummies and daddies to learn who are the secret pilots that sail with our little ones into the open sea of kaleidoscopic stories. Let me give you a sneak preview: the four pillars are starting to change as well!

Explore with us and have a delightful reading with your little ones!

Primary Library Team

EPC Library

Colourful Posters



Dream boat
with amazing authors & illustrators on board



← Big Books

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Where is Charlotte???

