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Welcome to the current edition of the 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...

- A reminder of the PE uniform guidelines for the British Primary Section
- What's been happening in British Section Year 1 D&T?
- British Section Years 5 & 6 have been very creative in D&T
- The French Section make a splendid fruit salad
- Take a look at the exciting new arrivals in the Library

### 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 Primary

## PE UNIFORM

Dear Parents,

As the weather becomes colder, I write to remind you of the expectations concerning the wearing of PE uniform and hope that you all can support me in this matter.

Children may wear a TES tracksuit to keep warm but this must be worn **'ON TOP OF'** not **'INSTEAD OF'** their PE kit. They **must** still be wearing their PE shirt and PE shorts **UNDER** their tracksuit so that the tracksuit may be removed if the children become too hot or when doing an activity such as gymnastics.

**May I point out that most PE lessons are held indoors.**

If lessons are outside and it is cold then they are actively encouraged to wear their tracksuits to keep warm.

### PLEASE NOTE

**No long undershirts** may be worn under the PE shirt.

**No tights** to be worn under the PE shorts.

**FYI here are other PE dress code expectations which are all to be found in the 'Parents' Handbook':**

Wear TES PE shirt/shorts/white socks.

Remove ALL jewellery earrings and watches.

Wear training shoes

Bring a water bottle

Tuck shirt in

Tie back long hair

Wear a cap if doing PE outside

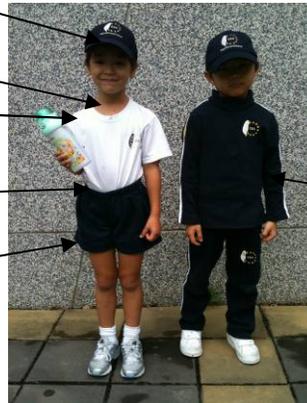
CAP

TES PE SHIRT

WATER BOTTLE

SHIRT TUCKED IN

TES PE SHORTS



TRACKSUIT

(ON TOP OF KIT)

Best wishes,

Steven J Milner (Primary PE Coordinator)



British Section

# British Infants



Dear Parents

We had our Reverse Christmas Tree yesterday, and as you can see from the photos, it was a huge success. Thank you for your incredible support. I would also like to say an enormous thank you to **Crown Worldwide (Taiwan) Ltd** for their generosity in providing us with the boxes and the

transportation to get all the presents to Keelung Port. I would also like to thank **Dr Choi** for his help in shipping our gifts and distributing them to children in need across the Far East. Without the help of Crown Relocations and Dr Choi, this event would not be able to take place, so I am eternally

grateful to them—thank you from the bottom of my heart.



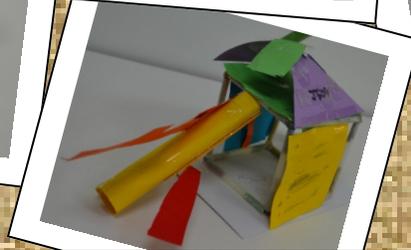
It's lovely to see children really enjoying the spirit of giving—the true message of Christmas.

With heart thanks

Ruth Martin

Head of the British Infant Section

# British Infant D&T



The Year 1's have been working on a Project about Playground equipment. They looked at the Play equipment we have here at TES and identified different shapes and colours. They Designed a playground and then selected a piece of play equipment to make a model of.

They made 3D shapes using straws and pipe cleaners, as their bases and then added the details by cutting and taping coloured paper onto their shapes.



# British Juniors



Children' of all ages enjoyed the storytelling of Dr Mike Lockett on Friday 2nd November.



British Section

Dear Parents, Students and friends of the School,

## Tribe Council News

Our student council is made up of a representative from each class and they work together with Mr Stebbing to help make our school a better place to learn. They also organise events to raise money to help those less fortunate.

### **Second-hand Book Sale**

This will be held on **Friday 16th November**. The student councillors will be organising a second-hand book sale and the children in each class have been asked to donate any books that are no longer wanted at home. The student councillors will be involved in helping to price the books and will take it turns to run the sale. Any funds raised will be donated to World Vision Taiwan.

### **Tribe Day**

All children (and staff) are placed into one of four Taiwanese aboriginal tribes, **Paiwan**, **Ami**, **Rukai** and **Bunan**. When the children are awarded merits (for demonstrating that they are working hard to keep our Golden Rules) these are added to their tribe's total. Each term we hold a special Tribe day when the children come dressed in the colours of their tribe and we announce the tribe with the most merits so far. Our first Tribe day will be held on **Friday 16th November**.

## Music FOBISSEA

Ms Kao and 11 of our musically talented Year 6 students will be travelling with students and teachers from the Secondary School to Vietnam early on Thursday morning to attend the annual Music FOBISSEA FESTIVAL. This will our students an opportunity to perform with their peers from all around the world. They return to Taiwan the following Tuesday.

## School Closure

Please be reminded that there is no school for students on **Monday 12th November**. This day has been set aside for staff training and we have invited an expert, Mr. Michael Pohl, to work with staff. He will be delivering training on teaching children how to think which will support our mission announced this year to teach children how to be 'Thinkers, Inquirers and Risk-takers'. Michael will be in school for most of the week and will be running workshops for staff. We have arranged cover and this will mean some possible disruption to your child's normal timetable.

## Second Hand Uniform Sale

A huge thank you must go to the PTA who will be running a second-hand uniform sale on **Monday 19th November**. Please note that as always we have accumulated rather a lot of lost property. This will be placed in the atrium from **Tuesday 13th - Thursday 15th November** and any unnamed items not claimed by then will be donated to the PTA.

# British Juniors



A musical interlude from Mr Macraird's class assembly.

## Future Dates:



British Section

Date	Event
8th - 13th Nov	Music FOBISSEA in Vietnam (no orchestra this week)
12th November	No school for students - staff training day
13th November	8:15am Mrs Richardson's Class Assembly
16th November	Tribe Assembly (Children come to school dressed in tribe colours)
20th November	8:45am Mr Stebbing's Class Assembly
23rd November	Y5 trip to Space Museum
24th November	Christmas Bazaar
26th November	6:00pm TESA AGM
29th November	6:00pm Y6 Residential Trip Meeting for parents
30th November	Friendship Assembly
3rd December	No free ECAs until after the Christmas holiday
3rd December	8:30am PTA meeting
7th December	ECCT Luncheon—school choir to attend
9th December	Chess Competition
12th December	6:30 –7:30pm Year 3/4 Christmas Concert
13th December	6:30pm British primary Section Council meeting
19th December	Year 3 & 4 Christmas parties
19th December	Year 5 Christmas Show
20th December	Year 5 & 6 Christmas parties
20th December	Student's academic reports sent home
20th December	End of term

Have a good weekend.

Kind regards

*Adele Corry*

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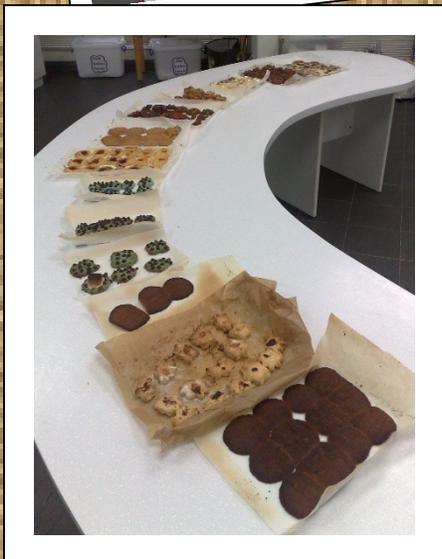
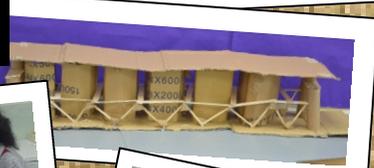
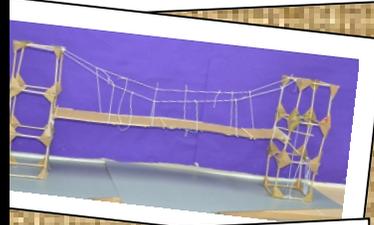
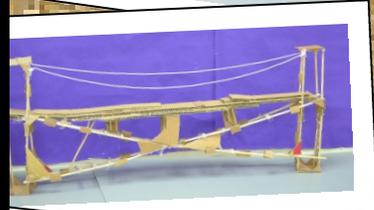
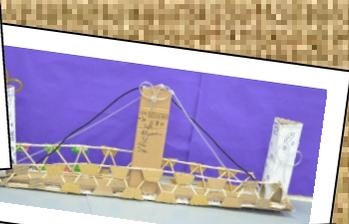
# British Junior D&T



The Year 6's have been learning about structures and Bridges, they started with a test, to see how tall a structure they could build with limited resources. We then tested the towers with weights.

They have learnt that there are different types of structures and how triangulation can be used with a structures to make it stronger.

They have put what they have learnt into practical use in their Bridges Models.



The Year 5's have been looking at Biscuit make, they had a few lesson learning about basic making methods, we talked about what makes a Biscuit good or bad, they then designed their own biscuits and researched and adapted a recipe to suit their design.

Working in groups to make the Biscuits, they mostly worked independently, producing some very delicious results.

# Section Française

Au marché de Shidong avec la classe  
de Moyenne Section

At the Shidong Market with the MS  
Class



Section Française





**.Ce matin, nous avons visité le marché de Shidong.**

**We visited the Shih Dong Market.**



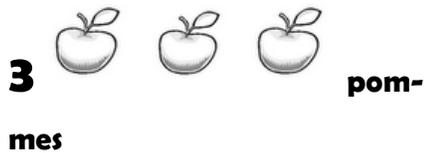
**Nous avons vu beaucoup d'étalages différents : celui de la boucherie, de la poissonnerie, du fleuriste, des fruits et celui des légumes.**

**We saw a lot of different areas: the butcher, the florist, stacks of beautiful fish and fish in their tanks, as well as fruits and vegetables.**





## Ingrédients



## Matériel



Après notre sortie au marché de Shidong, nous avons rapporté des fruits pour la préparation de notre salade de fruits.

After our trip to Shidong Market, we brought back a lot of fruit for the fruit salad. The kids enjoyed preparing the fruit and eating the salad!

# EPC Library

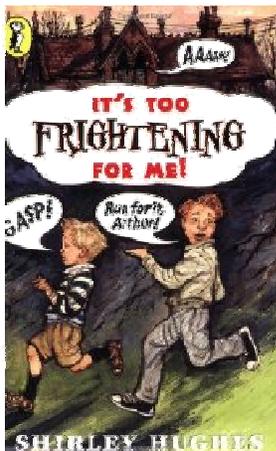


Dear Parents,

## NEW ARRIVALS!

It's been busy for a while and we didn't even get a chance to introduce our new books! Lately, our New Book section is refilled with more great books. You'll find popular series such as *The Secret of The Immortal Nicholas Flamel* (in both English AND Dutch!!!), *The Clumsies*, *The Smurfs*, *Animal Ark*, and *Big Nate* in our New Books areas. What's more, if you are looking for... *TITANIC* or *Chess* books, Library is the right place!

Bericht voor de Nederlandse lezers! Wij hebben de nieuwste boeken voor u besproken! Het juiste boek met juiste AVI code op het juiste ogenblik bij de juiste persoon. Je treft alle nieuwe top titels in onze "Nieuw Boek"- planken: *De Grize Jager*, *Geronimo Stilton*, *Dolfje Weerwolfje*, en *Floortje*!



## It's Too Frightening For Me!

Suggested Year Group:

Year 3-4

The eerie old house gives Jim and Arthur the creeps– a really horrible witch must live there! But somehow they can't keep away, even when a spooky face appears at the window.

# EPC Library



Ook in het Nederlands!!



## The Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel



He holds the secret that can end the world.

The truth: Nicholas Flamel was born in Paris on September 28, 1330. Nearly 700 years later, he is acknowledged as the greatest Alchemist of his day. It is said that he discovered the secret of eternal life.

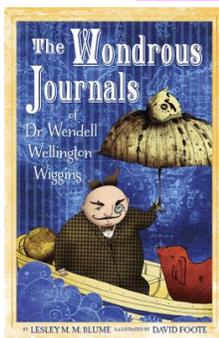
The records show that he died in 1418. But his tomb is empty.

The legend: Nicholas Flamel lives. But only because he has been making the elixir of life for centuries. The secret of eternal life is hidden within the book he protects—the Book of Abraham the Mage. It's the most powerful book that has ever existed. In the wrong hands, it will destroy the world. That's exactly what Dr. John Dee plans to do when he steals it. Humankind won't know what's happening until it's too late. And if the prophecy is right, Sophie and Josh Newman are the only ones with the power to save the world as we know it.

Sometimes legends are true.

And Sophie and Josh Newman are about to find themselves in the middle of the greatest legend of all time.

Suggested Year Group:  
Year 5-6

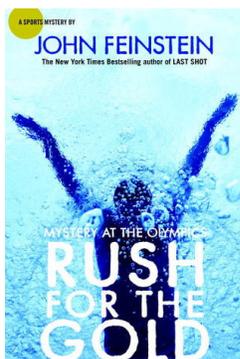


## The Wondrous Journals of Dr. Wendell Wellington Wiggins

The journals of Dr. Wendell Wellington Wiggins might just be the most extraordinary contribution to the study of the earth's past since the discovery of the Rosetta Stone. In the incredible pages of these thought-to-be-lost diaries, Dr. Wiggins—whom we now must consider the greatest paleozoologist of all time—has divulged the secrets of the truly ancient animal world: a world before human beings; a world before dinosaurs; a world that, until now, existed well beyond the outer reaches of human imagination. From deadly Amazonian Whispering Vines (*Vitus Sussurus*) to curious creatures called Brittle Bones (*Futilis Ossis*) to a mysterious pet named Gibear (*Chiroptera Vicugna Pacosis*), the discoveries of Dr. Wiggins will forever change the way we think about the world before us.

Suggested Year Group:  
Year 3-4

## Mystery At The Olympics: Rush For The Gold



Bestselling sportswriter and Edgar Award winner John Feinstein is back with another sports mystery featuring Stevie Thomas and Susan Carol Anderson—this one set at the summer Olympics in London. In this book, Susan Carol isn't a reporter—she's an Olympian, competing as a swimmer at her first Olympic games. Stevie is both proud and envious of her athletic prowess. And he's worried by the agents and sponsors and media all wanting to get up close and personal with Susan Carol. But the more disturbing question becomes—how far might they go to ensure that America's newest Olympic darling wins gold?

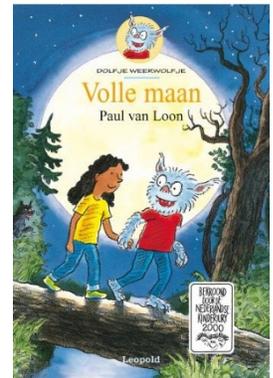
Suggested Year Group:  
Year 5-6

Sports novels abound, but Feinstein's books are all stars. They combine sports action, high-stakes mysteries, and behind-the-scenes glimpses of big-time sporting events.

# EPC Library

## Dolfje Weerwolfje: Voole Maan

#VI-E5



Dolfje is met de klas op schoolkamp. Lekker keten, dolle pret! Op een avond zitten de kinderen om het kampvuur. Het is volle maan. De meester vertelt een eng verhaal. Opeens begint het bij Dolfje te kriebelen. Hij wordt weer wolf. Geschrokken rent hij naar het bos. Niemand mag zien wat hij is. Noura merkt wel dat er iets met Dolfje is. Stiekem achtervolgt ze hem...



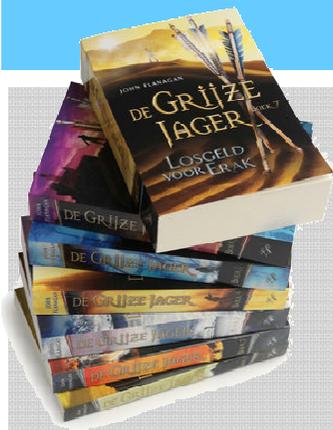
## Floortje Gaat Zeilen

#VI-E5

Floortje gaat met haar ouders en broertjes een paar dagen naar een vakantiepark. Vlakbij is een meertje waar zeilboten worden verhuurd. Met z' n allen probeert de familie Bellefleur een tochtje te maken. Floor vindt er weinig aan: er is bijna geen wind en ten slotte moeten ze naar de haven worden gesleept. Een dag later mag Floortje met een echt zeiljacht mee tijdens een tocht op het IJsselmeer. Floor komt erachter dat zeilen echt niet saai is, zeker niet met harde wind. En als het dan ook nog donker wordt...

## De Grijze Jager

#VI-E7



Will is klein voor zijn leeftijd, maar ook snel en vlug van begrip. Zijn hele leven heeft hij ervan gedroomd om ridder te worden, net als zijn vader die hij nooit heeft gekend. Hij is dan ook hevig teleurgesteld als hij afgewezen wordt voor de vechtschool van kasteel Redmont. In plaats daarvan wordt hij toegewezen aan Halt, de mysterieuze jager wiens grootste talent het lijkt te zijn zich onopvallend door het rijk te verplaatsen. Met enige weerzin leert Will om de geheime wapens van een jager te gebruiken: pijl en boog, een onopvallende camouflagecape en een eigenwijze kleine pony. Ook al verlangt Will

hevig naar een zwaard en een stoer strijdpard, als hij samen met Halt op een geheime missie gaat om de moord op de koning te voorkomen, komt hij erachter dat de wapens van een jager zo slecht nog niet zijn. Lees nu de eerste acht delen van De Grijze Jager achter elkaar!