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# NEWSLETTER

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#### **PETE THE CAT IN YEAR 1!** By Dionne Tyghter, Year 1 Leader, Jaguars Class Teacher

During the past two weeks, we have based our learning around on the story "Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes".

To begin this topic, we had a special box. Inside the box, we found different items such as, school shoes, pens, paper and a school uniform. The Year 1s made some brilliant guesses about what our topic story would be. Following this activity, we read the story and sang a song all about rocking in our school shoes. We discussed how it felt to start a new school year and what we could do to make school fun and exciting. Every class made some amazing guitars that were taken on our special hunt to find Pete the Cat who was hiding around the school. We found him in the Playground, the Performing Arts Room, in the Dining Hall and in many other places.



#### THE BRITISH SCHOOL OF BEIJING, SANLITUN A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### Pastries with Parents

- Tuesday 3 September - Years 5 and 6
- Wednesday 4 September - Years 3 and 4
- Thursday 5 SeptemberYear 2
- Friday 6 SeptemberYear 1
- Tuesday 10 SeptemberReception
- Wednesday 11 September - Nursery
- Thursday 12 September
  Tadpoles and Pre-Nursery

#### BSB, Shunyi Transition Workshop

- Friday 13 September, 8.45am @ San Hall

#### School closed for Mid-Autumn Festival

- Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 September

#### School Photo Week

- Monday 23 to Friday 27 September

#### Parent Evenings

- Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 September This week we have begun writing sentences all about Pete the Cat. We discussed what Pete likes to wear, what he likes to eat and what special activities he enjoys doing.







The students were very enthusiastic, and they used their creative skills to write amazing sentences that included capital letters, finger spaces and full stops! To end our week, we made our very own Petes, out of toilet tubes.



Using this story, our Year 1s have really enjoyed coming back to school and very quickly learnt how to understand their emotions, make new friends, and become more independent.

Well done Year 1. We cannot wait to see what the rest of the year brings!





#### NURSERY HAD A WONDERFUL START

#### By Chris Baxter, Nursery Year Group Leader, Clown Fish Class Teacher

In Nursery we have been welcoming the children back to school, helping them with their transition into the year group and working on getting them familiar with and established in a consistent routine.



As their confidence grows, they are engaging more with what the classroom and its teachers offers them, allowing them to independently select and use different resources. This helps them work towards a goal that they choose and can take pride in completing.

The return to school also helps them become more outgoing with unfamiliar people in the safe context of their setting. Meeting new children and adults as they play and engage with each other, extending and elaborating on each other's ideas. It has been wonderful to see how quickly they have been settling into this new environment and engaging with what it has to offer.





### **PUFFINS LOVE TO READ!**

#### By Mark Walker, Year 3 Leader, Puffins Class Teacher

Our Year 3 Puffins class had an exciting visit to the school Library this week!

The children explored a fantastic range of books, from adventure stories to fascinating non-fiction. They were thrilled to discover new titles and share their favourite finds with classmates.



We also spent time learning how to use the Library's resources effectively, encouraging them to develop a love for reading and research. The enthusiasm in the air was contagious, and it's wonderful to see their curiosity and imaginations growing. We look forward to many more inspiring visits to the Library this year!





#### **EAL UPDATE** By Lizza Zhou, Head of EAL

In our Year 4 EAL classes, the students have thoroughly enjoyed engaging in various speaking games that have helped us get to know each other better. These activities have not only been fun but have also allowed the students to build confidence in using English in a relaxed and playful environment.

We have also begun our journey with the "Super Minds" curriculum, and the students were particularly excited about the learning games it offers. These interactive activities have sparked their interest and enthusiasm, making the learning process both enjoyable and effective. We know that children learn best when they are being challenged but supported in a way in which they can be successful.















## PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

We have a fantastic <u>Parents' Association</u> at BSB, Sanlitun – all parents are welcome to join. The group supports the school in many ways, including the upcoming International Week, fundraisers and more.

Contact them today to find out more - pabsbsanlitun@outlook.com







### WEAR LANYARDS

All parents are reminded to wear their parent lanyard when entering the campus, if you do not have one you can send your name and photo to Early Years Reception (<u>receptionsltey@</u> <u>bsbsanlitun.com</u>) or Primary Reception (<u>receptionslt@bsbsanlitun.com</u>) - include the name of your child.



# PARENTS LUNCH



## Tuesday, 10th September 11.30am @ Tavola Italian Dining (Liangmaqiao DRC)

2F, The Grand Summit, Section B, Liangmaqiao Diplomatic Mansion (No. 19, Dongfang East Road).





In the second se (3-course set menu including coffee/tea) Payment in advance.



Sign up now! Places are limited.





We are delighted to confirm that the **Baby Groups** will be starting again in September. Visit our <u>website</u> for more information and to sign up.

Please share the link with your friends if they have babies and would like to join us for Stay and Play in our soft play area, Dancing in our Dance Studio or Book Club in our Library!

## BABY BOOK CLUB

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Mondays, 9am - 9.30am Library, Li Building

## **BABY GROUP**

Wednesdays, 9am - 10.30am Soft Play Area, Li Building

## **BABY DANCE CLASS**



Fridays, 9am - 9.30am Dance Studio, Li Building

## REGISTER TODAY!

Where Tiny Steps Lead to Big Adventures: Read, Explore, Dance!





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## MEET THE PRINCIPAL - BSB, SHUNYI

Did you know that all our students graduating from Year 6 are automatically transferred to our Shunyi campus to continue their education journey at our sister school. Being part of the **Nord Anglia Education** family of schools we make the transition from Junior School to Senior School simple!

The Principal, Jayne Needham will visit our campus in September. She will be joined by Bevan Graham (Vice Principal, Head of Secondary), Voicu Simandan (Head of Year 7), as well as their Director of Admissions, Sophie He and the dedicated Year 6 to Year 7 transition Admissions Manager, David Lock.

The event is most relevant for our Year 5 and 6 parents, but all parents are welcome.



Jayne Needham Principal



**Bevan Graham** Vice Principal Head of Secondary



**Voicu Simandan** Head of Year 7



**RSVP - Register Now!** Friday, 13 September 8.45am @ San Hall

### CLUBFOOTBALL

ClubFootball is a third-party provider that has been using our facilities for several years to offer football to children, a number of whom are from BSB, Sanlitun. As the company are not directly affiliated with BSB, Sanlitun, please direct all related enquiries to them.



"ClubFootball is running a free open session this Saturday 31st August to let kids try out their junior football coaching programmes. Courses will run on Thursday, Friday and Saturday on campus this Autumn and are open to boys and girls from Reception to Year 6 of all playing levels. All sessions are coached by the club's qualified full-time football coaches from the UK and use the English Football Association's '4-Corner' coaching model. This means sessions focus on developing both football skills and the social and psychological skills (teamwork, leadership, decision-making); above all, courses are fun!" - ClubFootball COO, David Niven.





## Start of Year Survey

We have had two wonderful weeks meeting all the new and returning students. We would love to hear from you to see how well the weeks went from the perspective of our parents and students. We hope you can spare us 5 minutes and complete this short <u>survey</u>.

We will randomly select one completed survey to win a prize as a thank you!





Help us improve!