

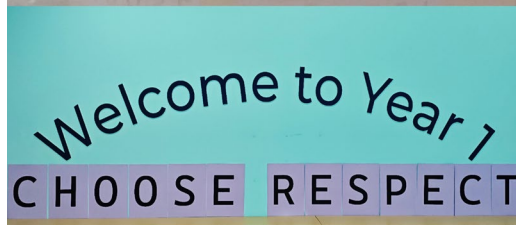


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# NEWSLETTER

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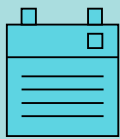
## ODD SOCKS DAY!

This week is [Anti-Bullying Week](#) at BSB Sanlitun.

As part of the week our students undertook a number of activities in class, one of the events this week is Odd Socks Day!

We had lots of fun on this special day and we loved seeing everyone's different socks - lots of colour and fun designs. Most importantly, we celebrated each other's uniqueness!





## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### World Children's Day

- Wednesday 20 November



Children are encouraged to 'wear something blue' to school to mark this special day.

### Upper Primary School in Action

- Thursday 21 November @  
Year 5 and 6 Classrooms

### School Closed for Staff Training

- Friday 22 November

### Autumn Term Last ASAs

- Tuesday 26 and  
Wednesday 27 November

### Christmas Cracker

- Sunday 1 December  
10am to 2pm @ San Building

### Upcoming Principal's Lunches

- Please register here:







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# A COLOURFUL JOURNEY IN PRE-NURSERY AND TADPOLES

By Echo Li, Pre-Nursery Starfish Class Teacher

What an exciting and vibrant week our Pre-Nursery and Tadpoles children have had! From the lively Odd Socks Day on Tuesday to our engaging Science Week filled with colour-mixing experiments, it's been full of fun and learning.



A big thank you to everyone for sending the children to school in their odd socks on Tuesday. It made our circle time so much more special! We sat together, put our feet side by side, and chatted about the different colours, patterns, and designs on our socks. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate how each of us is unique and how our differences make us special.







This week, we've also been diving into the world of science. Our little scientists had a blast exploring our exciting experiments, especially the colour mixing activity. We carefully watched as the dish soap made the colours spread, creating beautiful patterns. The children were absolutely thrilled to discover how colours interact and to engage in the hands-on learning experience.

It's a vibrant, colourful world, and we're so excited to explore it in our own unique ways!





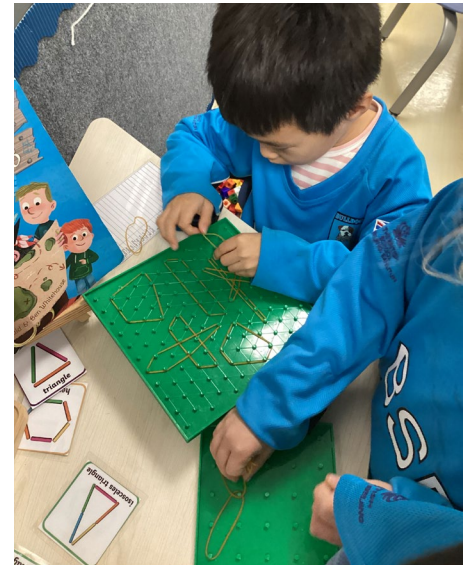


# EXPLORING THE WORLD OF 2D SHAPES

By Kate Grosh, Year 1 Panthers Class Teacher

This week in Year 1, our students have been exploring the world of 2D shapes! They've been busy identifying shapes in their surroundings, spotting them in everything from windows and signs, to everyday objects.

It's exciting to see them recognise familiar shapes like circles, squares, and triangles, and confidently name them when they see them. The children are also learning how to identify the number of sides and vertices each shape has, developing a deeper understanding of what makes each shape unique.



As part of their learning, our students are becoming more familiar with the properties of 2D shapes. They're discovering not just what shapes look like, but also the key features that define them. For example, they are recognising that squares have four equal sides, and triangles have three. With hands-on activities and group discussions, the students are strengthening their understanding of how these shapes fit together and what makes them different.

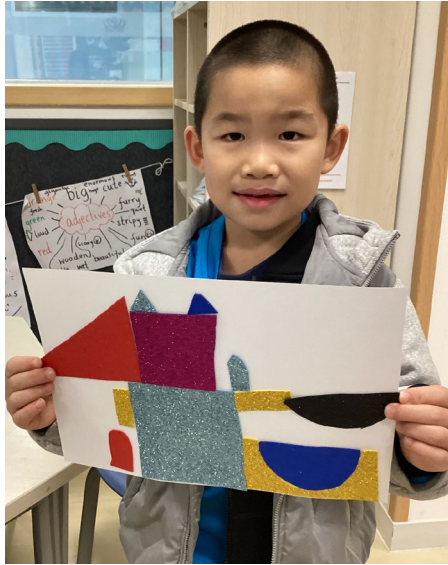






To deepen their skills, the students are also taking on the challenge of creating their own pictures and images using 2D shapes. This creative exercise encourages them to apply their knowledge in fun and imaginative ways, while also honing their ability to recognise more complex and tricky shapes in their environment.

It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow as they identify new shapes and explore the properties that make up the world around them!







# HOW CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS CITIES

By Anthony Gillum-Webb, Year 6 Leader, Falcons Class Teacher

This term, in Year 6 Humanities, we've been delving into the topic of climate change, focusing on how it affects coastal cities.

Recently, students created a diorama of a model coastal city, exploring how such areas are particularly vulnerable to hurricane-induced storm surges. Using materials like clay, earth, and model trees, the students built a town only 1-3 meters above sea level, highlighting how even slight changes in sea levels can have significant impacts.

Through this hands-on activity, students gained a deeper understanding of the challenges that climate change poses for coastal communities and learned about the importance of resilience and preparation in the face of natural disasters. This interactive project has been a great way for them to engage with real-world issues.







# CHINESE UPDATE

By Jenny Shen, Chinese Teacher

This week, Reception children learned the names of vegetables in their Chinese class. They not only shared their favourite vegetables, but also learned that different vegetables can bring different benefits to our health. For example, carrots are good for our eyes, and tomatoes and broccoli can give us vitamin c.



Students in Year 6 Native Group learned three ancient poems about traditional Chinese festivals.

These three poems describe what the poets saw and felt during the Qingming Festival, the Double Ninth Festival and the Spring Festival. In addition to learning the background of each poem, they learned more about the customs of the different festivals. For example, Qingming Festival activities are not limited to tomb sweeping; people also go on outings, have fun flying kites, enjoy eating Qingtuan and much more. The students also shared their favourite idiom stories in class.







## JUILLIARD VIRTUAL VISIT

'What a fantastic start to the week! On Monday we welcomed our first dance specialist visit, live streamed from New York and the Juilliard dance studio. Both Year 6 classes enjoyed learning how to use basic tap dance steps to develop inventive rhythms and tones as well as performing a Juilliard Flash Mob Dance to Hilary Easton who choreographed the same in 2018. We participated in Q&A session at the end of this lesson and heard a lot about Hilary's passion about dance and styles she teaches and creates.' - [Ms. Borisavljevic](#).







## ST MARTIN'S DAY

Each year, many Germans celebrate St Martin's Day by carrying candle-lit lanterns and singing 'lantern songs'. To ensure our German students do not miss out on this fun tradition and to allow them the opportunity to share their culture with their classmates, our Head of German (Ms. Hammami), arranged lantern making and singing in class.







## EAL FOR PARENTS

Here are some photos from our other EAL Group. Parents enjoyed a range of activities whilst communicating in English. Thank you to Yohan for arranging and running this session. We look forward to seeing future gatherings.



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all adults on campus  
must wear their  
correct lanyard.

**Thank you for  
wearing yours!**



 PARENT

 STAFF

 SUPPLIER

 VISITOR

## 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 ([receptionsltey@bsbsanlitun.com](mailto:receptionsltey@bsbsanlitun.com)) or Primary Reception ([receptionslt@bsbsanlitun.com](mailto:receptionslt@bsbsanlitun.com)) - include the name of your child.







## Thursday 5 December:

- o Three performances in San Hall
- o Class photo opportunity
- o A festive gift bag full of surprises for every child
- o Raise money for charity



## The cost for each child is 100 RMB:

- o Place cash in an envelope with child's name and class on
- o Give to class teacher or Helen Lock
- o Deadline: Thursday 21 November

100 RMB is for the cost of the entertainer, the gift and a donation to our school charity. This is a non-profit event, arranged by the Parents' Association.





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# CELEBRATING WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY 2024

On **Wednesday 20th November**, it is **World Children's Day**.  
On this day, we would like children to come to school  
'**wearing something blue**' to mark the special day.

In return, we would like parents to send in chocolate/biscuit  
and bottle donations as prizes for the Christmas Cracker  
tombola. Please ensure that all items donated are **nut-free**.

In support of

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# BSB Sanlitun's Christmas Cracker



Sunday 1st December, 2024  
10am to 2pm  
5 Xiliujie, Sanlitun Road

- *Christmas games and crafts for children.*
- *BSB Sanlitun Christmas Choir and Ballet performance.*
- *Treats for all and delicious food to buy.*
- *External vendors selling a range of items.*
- *Special appearance by Santa Claus!*
- *Exciting raffle prizes to be won!*

*Free entry!*



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*We look forward to seeing many of you there!*