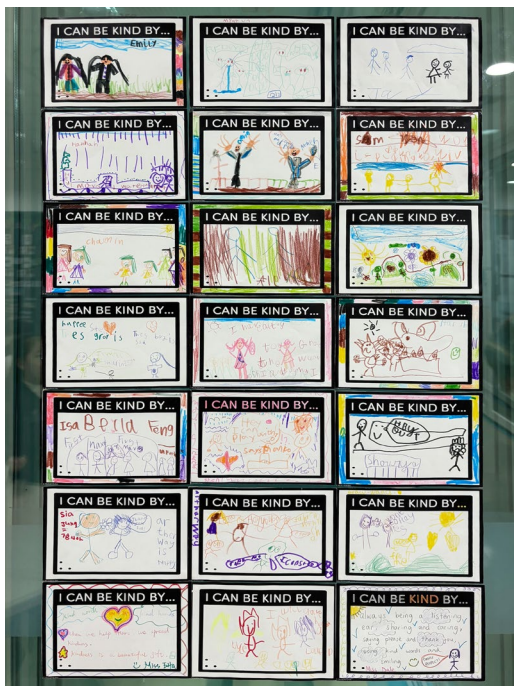




NEWSLETTER

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YEAR 1 PSHE

Year 1 have been celebrating World Kindness Day and Odd Socks day recently by learning more about respect and how we can show it to others.

The children discussed ways in which they can be kind to others and also how they want others to treat them. We have been working hard to collect 100 hearts for our 100 Acts of Kindness chart.

In our PSHE lesson, each class made a Kindness Quilt made of squares of how we can show kindness. A special week for Year 1!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Autumn Term Last ASAs

- Tuesday 26 and
Wednesday 27 November

Christmas Cracker

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

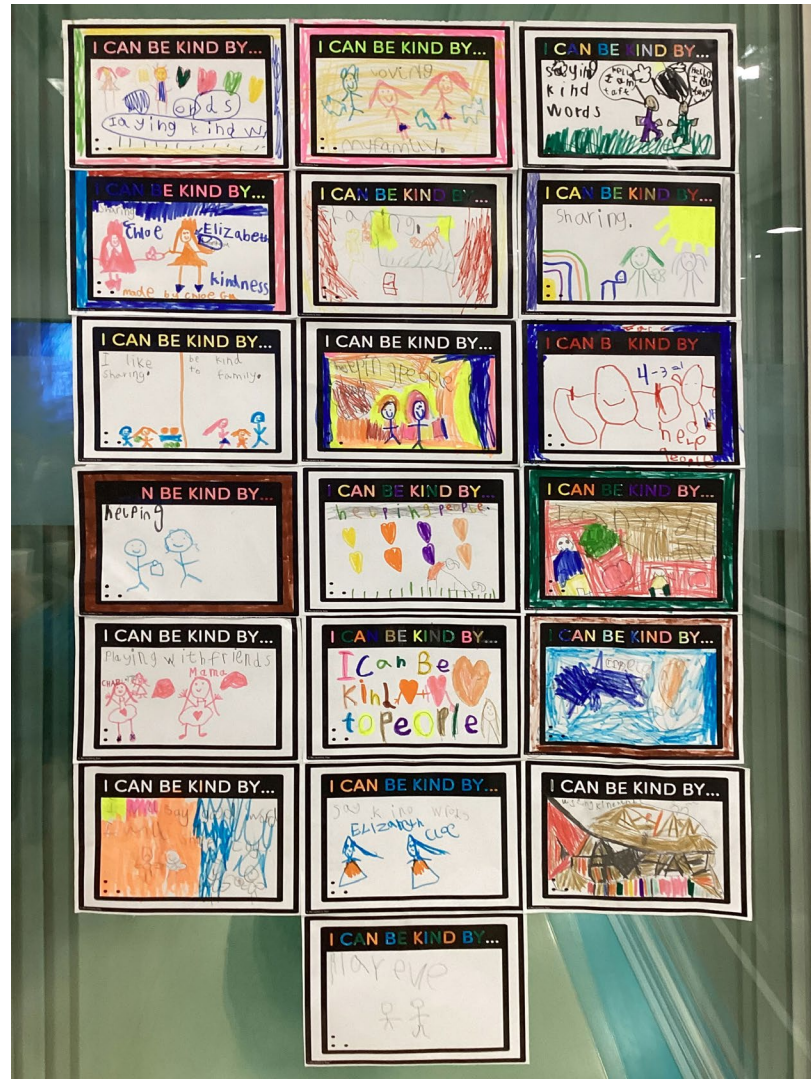
The Elftastic Quest Show

- Thursday 5 December



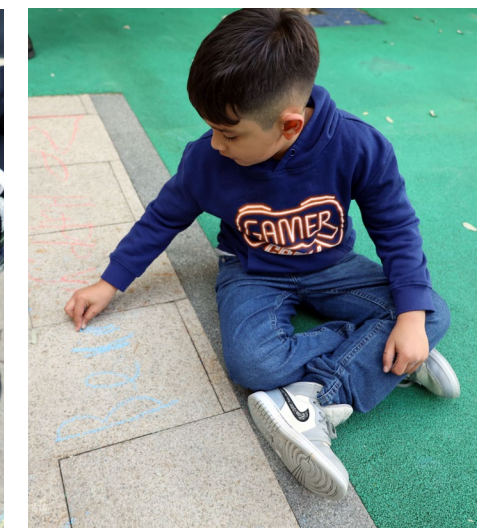
Upcoming Principal's Lunches

- Please register here:



CELEBRATING WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY

On Wednesday 20th November, we all wore something blue; talked about children's rights and how we can help each other in support of UNICEF's global day of action for children.



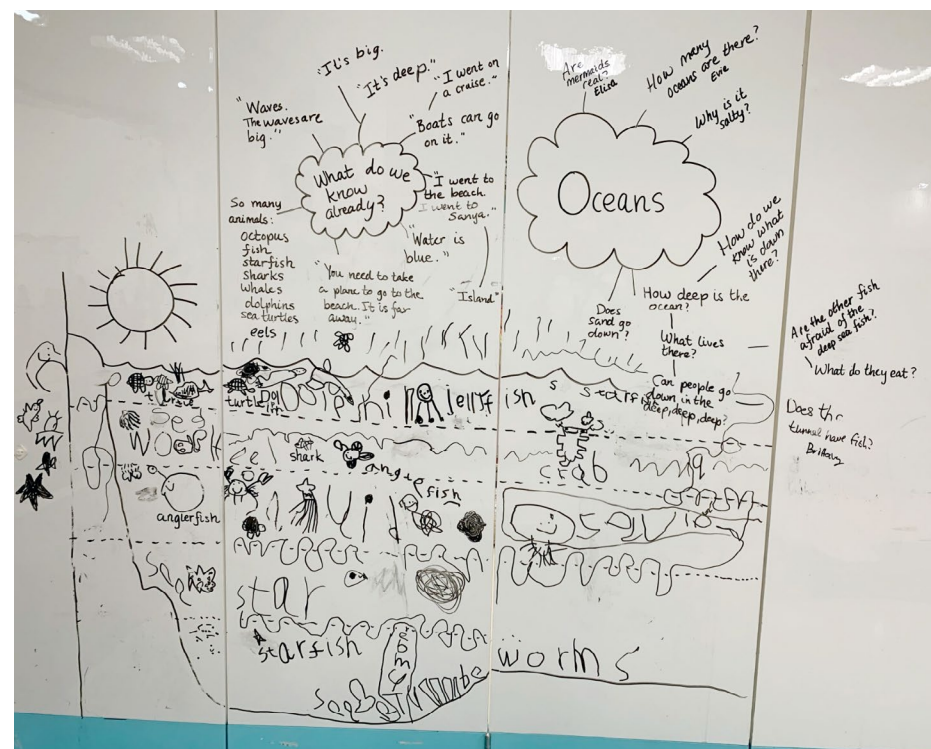
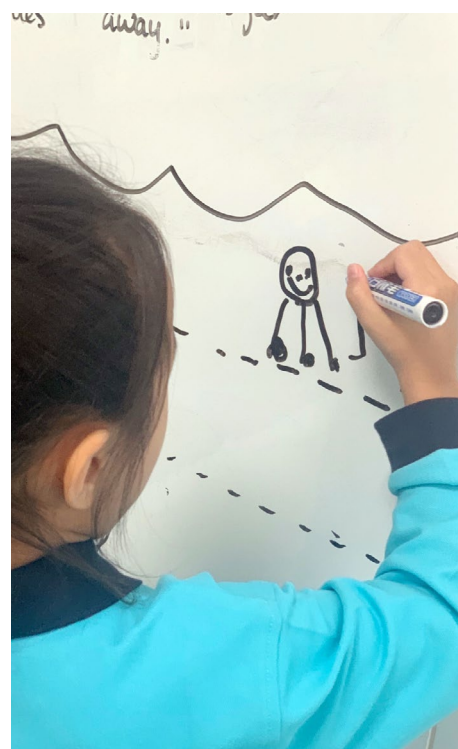
OCEANS AND SEAS

By Carys Obayoriade, Reception Whales Class Teacher



Our recent enquiry-based project on oceans and seas, has captivated the curiosity and imaginations of the Reception children. Together, we explored big questions such as 'Where is the ocean?', 'What lives in the sea?', and 'How many seas are there?' Using maps, globes, and vibrant images, the children identified oceans and seas across the world, gaining an appreciation for the vastness of our planet and the diversity of its waters.

As part of the project, the children delved into sea life, learning about the incredible variety of creatures that live beneath the waves. They particularly enjoyed engaging with stories like *Barry the Fish with Fingers*, which sparked laughter and curiosity, and which inspired thoughtful discussions about life underwater. Hands-on activities, such as creative play with water, sand, and shells, brought these themes to life. Guided by their own questions and ideas, the children worked collaboratively to build a deeper understanding of the oceans and the layers of the sea.



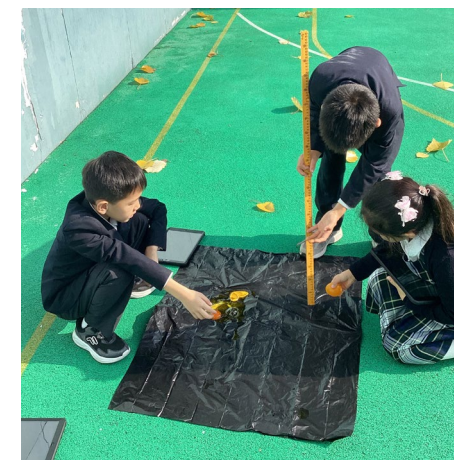
YEAR 3 SCIENCE

By Mark Walker, Year 3 Leader, Puffins Class Teacher

Students in Year 3 Puffins participated in a fascinating experiment involving eggs and vinegar, sparking their curiosity and scientific inquiry. The process began with students placing eggs in vinegar, where they observed the fascinating reaction that occurs as the vinegar dissolves with the eggshell. To add a splash of creativity, the students dyed the vinegar using vibrant food colouring, transforming their experiment into a colourful science art project. This engaging activity not only introduced them to the principles of chemical reactions but also encouraged them to make predictions about what would happen next.



After allowing the eggs to sit in the vinegar for three days, it was time for the thrilling part of the experiment: dropping the eggs from various heights to test their resilience. Students eagerly predicted the outcomes based on their observations, and the results were exciting! The highest drop was an impressive 110cm! This hands-on experience not only reinforced important scientific concepts but also fostered teamwork and critical thinking skills among the students. We hope this experiment inspired their love for science and encouraged them to explore the wonders of the world around them!



HEELS, TOES, WHOLE FEET TAP DANCE-GROUP JAM AND SOLOS

By Iva Borisavljevic, Head of Performing Arts

Last Monday, the Y6 students participated in the first live, virtual visit by our dance specialist, Hilary Easton from New York. She taught us how to use basic dance steps to develop inventive rhythms and tones.

This lesson focuses on three specific tap dance steps: **heel taps**, during which one's weight is on the ball of the foot to strike the floor with the heel; **toes**, which requires one's weight to be on the other foot so that the sound can emanate from tapping the ball of the foot on the floor; and a whole-foot **stamp** (where the weight changes to the other foot) or **stomp** (where the weight does not change) which create sound from the full foot on the floor.



The students needed to be compassionate towards those who never experienced this type of dance before. We needed to be committed to the task as we faced a one-minute challenge to individually try out every possible rhythm we can think of that uses the movement of our assigned station and before we hear the signal that switches us to the following one. We enjoyed dancing along to the tunes of Duke Ellington and watching a few marvelous tap dancers improvise the rhythms like ones we tried to create.



At the end of this lesson, Year 6s performed a contemporary **Juilliard Flash Mob Dance** ([click here to watch a video clip](#)) that Hilary Easton, our dance specialist, choreographed in 2018.

PARENT TESTIMONIALS

Thank you to **Nina (Year 3 Parrot Class parent)** for interviewing our other parents to gather meaningful and reflective testimonials about their time as a BSB family member. If you would like to provide a testimonial, please email helen.lock@bsbsanlitun.com - we would love to hear from you and share with the wider community.



PARENT TESTIMONIALS

I highly recommend BSB Sanlitun for anyone looking to improve their child's English skills. The progress my child has made here is truly impressive and exactly what we were looking for! BSB not only focuses on traditional language skills, but also incorporates critical thinking, creativity, and cultural awareness into their curriculum.

Jane Huang
Current BSB Sanlitun Parent
Nov 2024



PARENT TESTIMONIALS

My two daughters have been attending BSB for the past 3 years, and I cannot say enough good things about the teachers. They are dedicated, passionate, and truly care about their students' success. My daughters have thrived academically and socially under their guidance and support. I am so grateful for BSB and the amazing teachers who make it such a welcoming and nurturing learning environment. They have learned so much about different cultures and global issues during international week, and they have become avid readers through participating in books week. These events have truly enriched their education and made learning fun at BSB. I am grateful for the opportunities the school provides for my daughters to expand their knowledge and interests.

Laura
Current BSB Sanlitun Parent
Oct 2024



PARENT TESTIMONIALS

As a parent, I can attest to the impact of the detailed feedback we regularly receive from my child's homeroom teacher. It has helped me stay informed about his progress and areas for growth, allowing me to better support his learning journey. I am grateful for the ongoing communication and the dedication of my child's teacher to his success."

Seul Gi
Current BSB Sanlitun Parent
Oct 2024



PARENT TESTIMONIALS

I cannot recommend BSB Sanlitun enough! My son has been attending this school for 6 years and he absolutely loves it. He is excited to go to school everyday and always comes home with a big smile. The teachers and classmates are all so friendly and welcoming, creating a warm and supportive environment for my child to learn and grow. Not only that, but the other parents at BSB are also incredibly friendly and welcoming, making me and my family feel like we are part of a larger community. We love BSB!!❤

Paige Liu
Current BSB Sanlitun Parent
Nov 2024



PARENT TESTIMONIALS

I am grateful for the diverse and inclusive environment at BSB Sanlitun. My child has learned to appreciate and respect people from different backgrounds. The kindness motto at BSB Sanlitun has made a huge impact on our family. My child comes home everyday talking about the acts of kindness he witnessed or participated in. It truly creates a positive and inclusive environment.

Sue W
Current BSB Sanlitun Parent
Oct 2024

KEEP UP TO DATE!

Did you know that we post daily (often more than once!) to our [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) accounts. It is a great way to stay up to date with what is happening at the school - across all year groups, and our daily 'stories' allow for you to see what is happening live at the school - from sneak peeks of productions, overhearing choir practice, clips of children heading off on day trips, the lunches being served that day and other behind the scenes activities.



Learning never stops

Our Teaching Assistants hosted a training session recently on phonics and how we teach our children. All staff were welcome to attend to understand further and take part in their very own lesson!

The group had lots of fun, especially as it took place after our Halloween dress up day and some costumes remained!

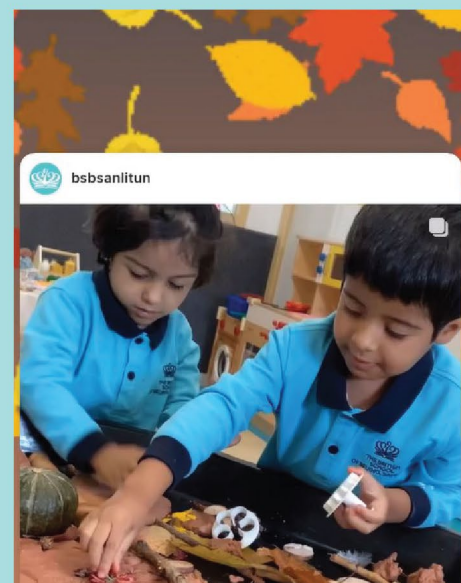
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Chinese Language

At BSB Sanlitun we have a wonderful Chinese Language Department. Our students all our students will learn Mandarin, whether they are a complete beginner or a native speaker.

Our team will provide lessons that suit the ability and requirements of our students. This means that non native speakers will learn Chinese in a way which allows them to settle quicker into life in China and our native speakers will increase their understanding of their first language... See more



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!



北京英国学校 (三里屯西六街5号)

We look forward to seeing many of you there!

THE 'ELFTASTIC QUEST' SHOW



We are thrilled to remind you about our much-anticipated “Elftastic Quest” show happening on December 5, 2024! This special event has been thoughtfully planned to delight and engage all children, with a tailored interactive performance for Early Years and Primary students.

We are especially excited to announce that the talented performers are traveling all the way from Shanghai to Beijing to bring this magical experience to life at our school!

To ensure this event is a memorable one, we kindly request parents who have not yet made the payment to do so as soon as possible. The contribution of RMB 100 covers:

- Cost of the performance
- A gift for each child.
- Excess funds will go towards charity supported by the school - The Migrant Children's Foundation

To make the process more convenient, we now accept payments via WeChat Pay and Alipay. Please scan the QR codes below to make your payment.

Your support is essential to the success of this event and ensures every child has a joyful experience. Thank you to those who have already contributed! For those who haven't, we greatly appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Let's work together to make 'Elftastic Quest' a magical and unforgettable day for our children while giving back to the community!

Parents' Association



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PANDA CAMP



**21-23
MARCH**
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LÉMAN
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STUDENTS AND
PARENTS YEAR1 -
YEAR3
3000¥ FOR ONE
ADULT+ ONE
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Scan here to read all
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that Panda Camp
holds!



PANDA CAMP



- Cost includes:
- all meals
- ground transport
- camping equipment
- a visit to the panda base
- parent social
- entertainment
- special souvenir for memories

To register your early interest in joining
Panda Camp this year scan here!



EVENT CALENDAR

Spring Term 2024 - 2025

JANUARY 2025

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 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

 FIRST DAY OF TERM

 REPORTS RELEASED

 PARENT TEACHER CONSULTATION DAY
(NO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN)

 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

14&15/01 ASAs Start
18&19/03 ASAs Finish

 BABY GROUP EVENTS

13/01 Baby Book Club Starts - Mondays (9-9.30am)
15/01 Baby Group Starts - Wednesdays (9-10.30am)
17/01 Baby Dance Class Starts - Fridays (9-9.30am)
17/03 Baby Book Club Ends
19/03 Baby Group Ends
21/03 Baby Dance Class Ends

 EVENT DAYS

06/01 Coffee for New Families with Admissions and
The Parents' Association (PA)
19/01 Chinese New Year Temple Fair
05-07/02 Children's Mental Health Week
03-07/03 Book Week
12&13/03 NAE Performing Arts Festival (China Region)
21-23/03 NAE Panda Camp

 DRESS-UP DAYS

24/01 Chinese New Year
14/02 KS1 100 Days of School
07/03 World Book Day / Book Character