

One World International School Newsletter



Message from the Head of School

This week has been another active week for experiential and inquiry learning! Every class has been buzzing. In particular this week, I was very impressed to hear the quality of excellent story-telling in Grade 4 and listen to the enthusiasm of Grade 5 just returned back from the Museum! Even our staff meeting had a focus on inquiry this week with teachers reflecting on developing an inquiry approach to learning.

We're pleased to include with this newsletter the details of next terms ECA's and Teacher Run Clubs. We even have a teacher run club for parents on offer next term!

Grade 4

We have been learning about storytelling. Last week we told our stories to parents and friends and showed them around the classroom so they could know what we have learnt about. The grade 3 class also came to listen. On Wednesday we told our stories at lunchtime in the library so that other children could hear them.

By Adam and Chris



Year 4 students decided to tell their stories in the library at lunch time as a way of taking their learning further. Many children attended, and, as you can see from the faces, enjoyed the stories immensely. The year 4's were quite nervous, but applied their previous learning experiences to this new situation and proved they are risk-takers. Well done!

Calendar Dates	
Tuesday 11 th October	Morning Tea (PYP) 8:40 am in the library
Monday 17 th October	United Nations Day Event
Wednesday 19 th October	Deepavali Celebrations/ Middle School Reports go home/ Last day of Term 1
Thursday 20 th October	Staff Inset Day/ Football Camp
Friday 21 st October	Staff Inset Day/ Football Camp
Monday 24 th Tuesday 25 th Wednesday 26 th October	Football Camp
Monday 31 st October	Term 2 Begins
Friday 4 th November	Halloween Disco for students 1:30 – 3:00pm. Get your costumes ready!

Grade 5 Excursion to the Ancient Civilizations Museum



Last Thursday, Grade 5 travelled to the Asian Civilizations Museum to look at the Singapore River Gallery. It is a small but permanent exhibition at the museum and looks at the impact various ethnic groups have had on Singapore over the centuries. The students were very enthusiastic and worked really hard to complete the activities sheet.

We were accompanied by Bill Chamberlin as our parent helper. Thanks very much Bill for your time. The class will be going to visit various art galleries/museums in a few weeks time as part of the current Unit of Inquiry.

Admissions News – especially for EC2 this week

Throughout the school we try to provide a smooth transition for children moving from one grade to the next. In particular the option for Wednesday off for EC2 has provided parents with the opportunity of choosing whether to provide their child with a mid week 'rest day' as a transition from part-time EC1 attendance.

However we would now encourage all parents whose children are on an EC2 part-time programme to consider changing their child to full time, in order to benefit from the learning opportunities a 5 day programme brings.

The EC2 curriculum is planned as a five day programme and whilst very play based, incorporates high expectations of learning the basic skills in preparation for Prep –Year 1 of the Primary Curriculum years. Research shows that one of the biggest impacts on achievement in learning is the time spent on task!

Please contact the class teacher or admissions officer if you would like more information.

News from the Nurse

Please be aware we have had a case of Chicken pox in school. This is a common, but contagious infection and parents should be alert to any symptoms shown in their own child.

For further information please contact our school nurse or see www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmedhealth

As a school we continue to ensure all children are aware of the need to demonstrate good hygienic practices at all times.

REMINDERS

Don't forget to check out the class websites which include information about events, homework and learning in each of our classes as well as more general information on the curriculum.

