



From the Principals

Dear Parents,

Spring has finally sprung! Our students have been enjoying much more time outside playing and enjoying the sunshine! We hope you too will have time to explore the outdoors during this lovely time of year!

It has been a busy month with students demonstrating their learning in different ways. Maths Week was a huge success. Every day students were buzzing with excitement, and the effort that went into dressing up was incredible!

We have some exciting moments coming up as our Curriculum Open Mornings will take place, Earth Day as well as the Grade Four musical presentation: Dream it Possible. We look forward to seeing our parents at these special events!

Have a restful and restorative weekend!

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DATES TO NOTE

18th March

G5 Parent Meeting

4th -7th April

Qing Ming Festival

8th April

Parent Workshop Morning

24th April

PR+G1 Sports Day

25th April

G3 Concert

27th April – 5th May

Labor Day Holiday

2018-2019 International Stream Maths Week

The week of 11th March was our Maths Week, which differed from last year's in that it mainly reflected the characteristics of the disciplines related to Mathematics.

Every day we had a different topic, *Maths and Art*, *Maths and P.E.*, *Maths and Architecture*, *Maths and Chinese* and *Maths and Us*. All activities closely combined mathematics with life, which let students feel Maths is interesting and Maths is everywhere.

Maths Week Day 1 : Maths and Art

In the lobby, we held a small art exhibition. In the form of art showing the beauty of Maths, in which we felt the elegance of points, lines and faces in each beautiful painting, and the regular and orderly in different patterns. Our upper primary Art teacher also turned Mancala boxes into art work, a powerful combination of Mathematics and the arts. On the world map, teachers marked the origin of various formulas and the Maths Masters around the world, which allowed those far away to be suddenly close to us. During our breaktime, we prepared tangrams, wonderful drawings and other fun games for the students. Come close to a wonderful picture, feel the jump of the line segment, experience the switch between 2D shapes and 3D shapes, all the students were very excited about these.



Maths Week Day 2: Maths and P.E.

The World Champion poster gave us some insight into the performance records of athletes in different sports. We also tried to challenge ourselves with time and numbers. We asked questions such as: How many jumping jacks can you do in a minute? How long can you do one plank for? Estimate first, then take action, calculate and find the difference, we are so pleased to find that as long as we keep trying, we are far better than we think.

Maths Week Day 3: Maths and Architecture

Early in the morning, the pictures of world-famous architecture made the students stop for a long time and have heated discussions. To measure the height of famous buildings or build the ideal 3D models, these hands-on Maths always attract our students a lot. Let's look for mathematical elements in architecture: symmetry, Pythagorean theorem, Pi and many more! The students keep thinking, the teachers keep appreciating.

We also held a Grade One Maths competition that day, all the questions came from the students' daily lives, which made them very actively involved. In their laughter, we reviewed all the knowledge we had learnt before.



Maths Week Day 4: Maths and Chinese

We used a creative presentation to describe the idioms with numbers. Inquiry into the Si Nan (an ancient Chinese compass) and scale pole, using traditional Chinese mathematical equipment students definitely felt the wisdom and talent of our ancestors. Grade Four and Grade Five students also turned the Chinese poetry with mathematical elements of into some beautiful paintings.

In order to enable our students to be involved in the day's activities for 14th March, we played the video of Zu Chongzhi and Pi in front of the administrative office, while carrying forward the mathematical culture, it also stimulated the deep national pride of Chinese students. The activity of reciting Pi launched the memory challenge again and again, reciting the exact value of Pi is far away from 3.1415926...

We had a Chinese Mental Maths competition for Grade 2, a 24-point competition for Grade 4, and a *Who is the King of Mathematics?* activity for Grade 5, and a lot of mathematical geniuses were born during these contests.



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Maths Week Day 5: Maths and Us

We displayed our great moments of Maths week on the board, the innocent smiles of the children, the concentrated faces of the teachers, which were all great evidence to see how much they love this week.

Of course, that day was also the culmination of Maths week: our dress up day, where anything related to the Maths could be part of the dress up. So, in the playground, we saw a walking ruler, a lot of bouncing alarm clocks, a few rolling dice, a set of orderly dominoes and so many more! We were surprised and moved by the creative displays of the students, because behind these creative designs we saw the students' value, enthusiasm, devotion and enjoyment for Maths.



In addition to five days of differently themed activities, we also encouraged students to think and ask questions according to different Maths topics, and choose the most valuable questions posted on the board for the students in the same grade to answer. The Great Wall of Maths vocabulary was also a highlight of our Maths week, where students recalled previously learned Maths vocabulary, written down on sticky notes to create a brick wall which was reviewed and shared, connected and consolidated, our harvest is really more than a magnificent Great Wall!



Five days are long or short, but the most important thing is we enjoy these five days closely connected with Maths. Mathematics comes from life everywhere. Mathematics is higher than life, delicate and orderly.

Science Fair

With more than 220 science projects presented over 3 days, this year's science fair at Hongqiao Campus was more comprehensive as we built on the success from last year.



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Science Fair



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Learner profile in science was the focus of this year's science fair. Students of all abilities were given the chance to pursue their interests and conduct fun scientific inquiries. The science department created awards to celebrate different attributes of the learner profile - the essential learner values in an IB education.

Based on the learner profile, the seven awards were Remarkable Enthusiasm, inspiring Project Idea, Precise Scientific Procedure, Extensive Knowledge, Engaging Presentation, Captivating Display Design and Overall Outstanding Science Project.



Science Fair

Teachers and parents were amazed at some of the surprising yet unique scientific investigations. From "How to create an edible water bottle?", "How does a hand warmer work and what is inside?", "If food drops on the floor, would it still be edible in 5 seconds?" to "Does the thickness of an eggshell affect the birth of a chick?".

You can scan the QR code below to watch our short video and catch a glimpse of our wonderful science fair.



On behalf of all the teachers at SUIIS, we would like to thank all of the parents for supporting these scientific inquiries and we look forward to more students' awesome science investigations next year!





NEWS FROM SUIS GUBEI CAMPUS

2019 IBDP Visual Arts Exhibition @ M50



Scan the QR code to follow the official SUIS GB Wechat account.

An event that the entire community looks forward to attending, the IBDP Visual Arts Exhibition @ M50 was once again a smash hit. With artworks from our cohort of fourteen talented young artists, the gallery space was transformed into a showcase of artistic talent and creativity.

To set the ambiance of the opening reception, live music was provided by our Department of Music and Movement. The open mic featured a range of pieces from classical to contemporary adding to the positive energy that emanated throughout the evening.

Many of our G12 art students who exhibited have received offers to top-quality post-secondary art institutes including University of Arts London, The Pratt Institute, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, the Maryland Institute College of Art, and a full scholarship to the School of Visual Arts.

Without a doubt, the Arts continue to strengthen at SUIS GB! You can catch a glimpse of how our brilliant learners start their artistic journey at the Junior Arts Soirée on May 31st!

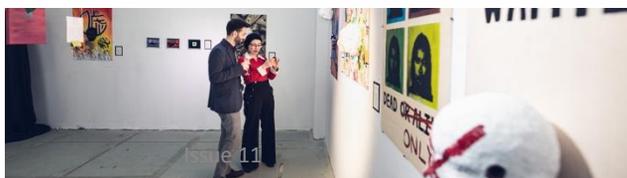


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