



SHANGHAI AMERICAN SCHOOL, PUDONG CAMPUS FACULTY AND STAFF, 2010-2011

EAGLE Photo by Greg Dixon

Pudong campus grade 5 students donate to Yushu Relief Fund

By Liane **MOLDENHAUER**, Pudong campus parent

Each year the PTSA raises money for all grade levels. The money is spent on parties, gifts and enhancements to their education. This year, Pudong's 5th Grade class had other plans.

The 6.9 magnitude earthquake that hit the Yushu area captured their attention. Some students started asking questions and striking up discussions in class. Some researched the area, and the earthquake relief effort on line. Ultimately, they all wanted to do something to help. They decided to donate their excess class money to the relief effort.

On Friday May 21, just before school let out for the summer, an assembly for the 5th graders was held to mark their donation. In her introduction, Principal Sacha McVean commended them saying that their global-minded decision demonstrated maturity

and by their collective donation, each one of them has aided the cause.

Wendy Da, the Global Language Coordinator from the Puxi campus, gave an amazing presentation about ongoing efforts in the area. She showed the 5th graders photos of the devastation, photos of rescues, and pictures of people displaced from their homes. Da spoke about how recent donations have helped the areas in need. Some money provided a school with notebooks, pencils, art supplies, new desks, and a few computers. She told how teams of people have gone to help and even taught many young students their first English language class. As wonderful as these efforts have been, there is still so much more that can be done to help the affected region.

At the end of the presentation, the



Pudong campus fifth grade class presented Da a check for 5,500 RMB representing the donation that was made in their name. She was very touched by the donation and praised the students for their awareness of opportunities to help their host country. Da went on to say that she looked forward to them being tomorrow's leaders who will make the world a better place.

We could not agree with her more.

Baoshan kennel trip: A success!

Amanda **SONG**, Pudong campus, Sophomore

From Marnie Rosen, HS English teacher: "The article below describes a field trip taken in April of last school year by Animal Rescue, a service club new to the high school at the time, but which continues to expand this year. Why not help us make a difference to the lives of strays around Shanghai by joining us for our meetings Mondays at lunch?"



Pudong's Animal Rescue is a student-powered club, devoted to the betterment of animals worldwide. Our recent projects have been mainly holding fundraisers to support Jaiya's Animal Rescue (JAR). JAR is an expat/local organization dedicated to rescuing strays off the streets of Shanghai and provide them with loving homes.

On April 25th, a dozen or so members of Animal Rescue visited the Baoshan animal shelter. It had just completed its renovation and we had hoped to bring them donated supplies, help them clean, and socialize with the animals. This is our story.

We were warned that the last turn into the shelter would be tricky. Bumping along the dirt trail, the cages and bags of tennis balls in the trunk rattled and shook. Among these was a box of heartworm and distemper medicine donated by Pfizer, a large pharmaceutical company. We soon pulled up in front of a cluster of small buildings, already hearing playful barks.



Arms full of bags and boxes, we ventured through a several rooms and gathered in a small outdoor clearing. On one side of the clearing were a row of pens, each filled with a few dogs, the sources of the joyful sounds we had heard earlier. Immediately the dogs jumped up on their hind legs, and barks and yelps started to resonate even louder all around us. "So... Where to start?" We were slightly disorientated by their flux of emotion. However, the animals soon got used to our presence, their sounds quieted down, and then we really got going.

A local volunteer had found a few leashes and collars, which we eagerly slipped onto the dogs. Saying we walked the dogs is not entirely accurate, for most of the time they had walked us! The shady groves, fresh air, and happy tails outside lifted our spirits, and we returned into the shelter ruddy and panting.

Meanwhile, another group was doing odd jobs, such as organizing supplies. Sweat dripped from our noses as we lugged box after box into the storage room; who knew it would be such hard work! Not long after, paintbrushes and buckets of white plaster were passed out to those with free hands, and we started to paint over the gray concrete walls in the dogs' rooms. We had assigned someone the job of keeping the animals out while we were painting, so

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Kids remember the last jump of the summer

By Linnea **BENGTSSON**, G7 and Madeleine **WHISSELL**, G7

Linnea's Perspective

The orange key to the swimming pool locker room casually slid in to the tiny little key hole. I took my towel, and walked out to the pool. Madi, whom I had decided to meet at the pool was already splashing around in its sky blue waters.

I jumped in and swam over to her. After about an hour of swimming and going down the water slide Meghan arrived to the pool, unknown to us. She joined our intense water fight. After a while Meghan suggested we'd go inside to the sauna and so we did.

Meghan poured a bucket full of water on to the black coal. Steam raised to the sealing and heat suddenly filled the sauna. We ran out laughing not really knowing why. There was also a "steam room" by the pool and we went inside to see what it was. There were creme-colored seats lined up by the wall and we all went up to sit in them. As we sat down at about the same time I heard a "squashy" sound. Water squirted out and we realized the seats were full of water. We ran out laughing hysterically.

Meghan and Madi went into the steam room again but I stayed behind noticing the bucket Meghan had used to pour water with in the sauna. I filled it up with water and raced into the room emptying the whole bucket on poor Meghan and Madi's heads. We all cracked up, and decided to go out and swim again.

I looked at the time before heading out the door and realized it was almost six. I had to be home by that time but Madi suggested we should do the "Last jump of the summer" before I left, and so we did. We all held hands (me, Madi, Meghan, and Madi's younger brother, George) and jumped into the pool, Ninja style, meaning as we were in the air we posed like ninjas and Madi's mom photographed it. It was really a great end of the summer, even though we all wanted summer to last for a little while longer.

Madeleine's Perspective

The last day of summer vacation was hot and humid. I was excited for school to start the next day, but I really wanted to enjoy my last day of summer. A few of my friends, my brother, and I decided to enjoy our day cooling off at the pool. We had all just returned from cooler weather and were adjusting to the heat wave in Shanghai.

I raced outside and jumped into the pool with a big "swoosh." Swimming happily around in circles, I realised that this was the last day of summer. I thought to myself, "How am I going to make the most of this day?" As I saw Linnea walk through the door, I swam over to her and said "We need to make the most of this day! It is the last day of summer."

We jumped into the outdoor and indoor pools multiple times. We did handstands, cannonballs, and slid down the water slide over and over. Meghan joined us for more water sliding and swimming. After using a lot of energy outside we went inside to the sauna for a rest. We then moved to the steam room, which fortunately, was not turned on. Outside was already hot and steamy!

It was 6pm and I had been there for hours. The time had gone by so quickly. I could not believe the pool was about to close. It was time for everyone to go home. We decided to do one last jump to mark the end of summer. We did a group Ninja jump. Meghan's mom and my mom, quickly took a picture of our jump with their phones. That is the photo with this article.

PHOTO: Linnea Bengtsson, G7; Madeleine Whissell G7; Meghan Ingram, G7; George Whissell, G4.



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imagine our surprise and amusement to see a lone puppy sauntering in to sniff at the wall! Although the plaster was not yet dry when we left, the walls indeed looked much better. Finally, we initiated a mass cleanup of the animals' living quarters near the end of the visit. This meant mopping up splattered paint, scrubbing off dry excrement, and shaking out the animals' sleeping mats. The energy among us had reached its peak at this point, and everyone seemed to work and flow in almost synchronized motion. Add the perky dogs and purring cats in the background, and it was a sight to behold.

The local Chinese helpers, who didn't know what to make of us at first, were asking eagerly about the possibility of a second trip by the end of the day.

Walking out and looking back, we saw the fresh white walls, shiny floors, and above all, the cheerful animals. The road back did not seem as bumpy.

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our extensive list of student activities and social events throughout the school year. Tickets can be purchased in advance. Ticket pre-order envelopes were sent home last Friday with your youngest/one child. Please return completed order forms to your child's teacher or to the Elementary, Middle or High School offices. Ticket orders will be held at school for you to pick up at the front gate on Saturday, September 18. Send in your ticket order soon and join your family and friends for a great day at the Welcome Back BBQ! Please send your questions to: mckenziemsc@aol.com.

And please volunteer at some point during the day. Show your student that you value the SAS community and want to contribute to it. Your Grade Coordinators will contact you in the next few weeks.

More information will be published in *The Eagle* by September 10 and posted on the Pudong PTSA blog at <http://teachers.saschina.org/pudongptsa>. We are looking forward to welcoming you at the Welcome Back BBQ! Saturday, September 18! Voilà!

Summer Improvements at SAS

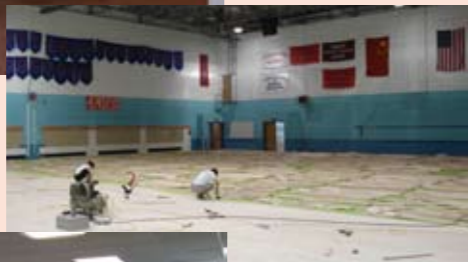
By David TRIPLETT, Facilities Manager, and David LEUNG, CFO

Upon viewing the SAS campuses, you will notice a variety of improvements made during the summer. Between the two campuses, there were over 100 individual renovation, construction or maintenance projects completed.

This summer's campus improvement efforts were presented with some unique challenges. Shanghai endured 30 straight days of rain, representing its longest continuous rain period recorded in the past 138 years. In addition, project work was scheduled and coordinated to accommodate the student summer program at the Puxi campus.

There were a number of noteworthy projects at both campuses that were built to enhance the student learning environment, support new or existing programs, and incorporate 21st century educational concepts and technologies.

- Pudong Elementary School Covered Play Area: Students will now be able to use this gym throughout the year in a conditioned space. In addition, a PE office and storage were added to improve the function of the facility.
- Puxi Elementary School Courtyard: In order to enable the younger ES children to fully utilize the courtyard year-around, a membrane covering (similar to the types used at the Shanghai Expo site) and colorful padded ground cover was installed.
- Pudong MS/HS Library/Media Center: Major remodel-



ing work to create additional learning spaces within the library.

- Puxi Middle School Gym Locker Room Expansion: To address space constraints in the existing gym locker room, a new section was added to expand the boys and girls lockers rooms. A new classroom was also added to support the PE program.
- Pudong High School Science Labs: New HS labs equipped with state-of-the-art educational and safety equipment will enhance the School's science program.
- Puxi High School Gym: Major changes were made to the HS Gym including a new wood floor and repair of the bleachers. These improvements will enhance the athletic programs at SAS as well as improve safety.

In addition to the above, in the Pudong campus, the School also built new elementary administration and admission office suites, and a new student lounge and digital photography lab in the high school college center. In Puxi, the School replaced part of the old underground HVAC piping to enhance water flow, added a kiosk in the Performing Arts Center, and improved and renovated some spaces to improve utilization.

We thank the dedicated people who stayed on campus during part of all of the summer to ensure that the project and program work were successfully completed. With the new facilities and improvements completed over the summer, the school year 2010/11 promises to be exciting and productive.



Congratulations to our second cohort of SAS teachers and staff members who have earned their Master of Education degrees from Plymouth State University, one of our collegiate partners in adult learning. We celebrate their personal and professional achievements as living models of "academic and personal success in higher education and life in a global society" (SAS vision statement). We join them in thanking their graduate practicum advisors, Alan Knobloch and Ron Roukema, their advisors, Hank Claassen and Krista Blovad, as well as our SAS Board for its ongoing commitment to professional learning.

While blended learning assignments, research papers, homework, projects, asynchronous online discussions, assigned readings, and firm deadlines may sound like student learning activities here at SAS, in fact, more than 30 SAS TEACHERS were so engaged as a part of their commitment to earn

Learning by degrees ...

... SAS faculty achieve academic milestone during the summer

graduate credits hours or a graduate degree — all while teaching and working full time! In the fall of 2006, a partnership with Plymouth State University began (www.plymouth.edu) and in May, 2009, we had our first group of graduates. Both the 2009 and 2010 cohort of teachers have taken full advantage of the professional learning opportunities offered at SAS and have been involved in task force groups, teacher leadership roles, curriculum development, and Action (classroom-based) Research as a result.

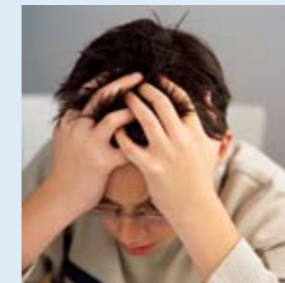
During our opening Professional Development day, Deputy Superintendent Alan Knobloch called for standing recognition of the many other SAS faculty and staff who have earned Master and doctoral degrees, as well as offering an encouragement and support for those still in their doctoral programs. 2010 graduate Simon Power (Pudong Campus) has agreed to join Hank Claassen in service as the Graduate Advisor for our next cohort of faculty and staff earning their M.Ed. degrees.

The graduates now have a diploma, but the true beneficiaries of their dedication are our SAS STUDENTS!

PHOTO (L-R): Jennifer Yang, Xiao Jian, Ellen Xu, Simon Power, Joyce Liu, Alicia Lewis (Curriculum Coordinator), Serena Xia, Principal Alan Knobloch, Daisy Liu, Angela Mao. Not pictured: Ron Roukema and advisors Hank Claassen and Krista Blovad (2009-10); Graduates Cathy Weng, Mary Li, and Belinda Bian. *EAGLE* photo by Timothy Merrill.

Tutors needed!

Shanghai American School,
Puxi campus and Pudong campus



Every year after report cards, the counseling offices receive numerous calls asking for extra help for their children. While we always have a few names on hand, the supply never meets the demand.

- Do you have experience helping kids in a special subject area?
- Have you taught in the past but are not teaching now?

Subject areas:

- English (reading, comprehension, writing)
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies
- Foreign Languages (Mandarin, French, Spanish, Swedish)
- Music (piano, strings, wind, and percussion instruments)

If you are interested in tutoring please contact:

Cherry Yu
Puxi Elementary School Office
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Fax: 6221-2326

Please note: SAS only refers tutors who have applied to the school. SAS does not negotiate rates or take responsibility for the tutor. You must provide a copy of your CV. The responsibility of evaluating the tutor and negotiating rates is strictly the parents.'



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—PTSA BBQ Committee



Let the relationship building begin

By Jeff **ROSEN**, Principal, Middle School, Pudong Campus

Given that the first day of Middle School is always a crucial one for setting the tone for a positive year, I was reminded on Tuesday August 17th of one of my favorite quotes: "No significant learning can occur without a significant relationship." That day, both students and teachers arrived re-energized for the upcoming school year; in order to take that energy and focus it, we had a full and exciting schedule awaiting them.

Students started the day in their homebase groups, where they enjoyed ice breaker activities and trust tests, went over expectations and were introduced to their schedules. From there, they moved to grade-level classes where they got to meet their core teachers. The day wrapped up with an all school assembly which was both informative and entertaining.

It was a great first day. I saw experienced teachers seated on the floor to help open lockers, new teachers "jumping in", all teachers setting realistic and developmentally appropriate expectations and routines...

I saw kids taking unfriendly PS schedules and transferring them over into a teacher-created, kid-friendly template, 6th graders becoming a little less nervous, specialist teachers helping make a difference in Homebase ...

I saw too-busy counselors making time for smiles and a kind word, returning students helping new students, hallways filled with role plays, trust tests and singing ...

I saw 8th grade teachers "high fiving" 6th graders as they entered the assembly, human knots, caring, respect, and lots of fun ...

I saw cool skits put on by creative teachers, relationships beginning, the largest MS population in SAS Pudong's history.

I saw ... the start to a great year, a year full of new and exciting initiatives and programs, all framed around the importance of connections, creativity and collaboration.

This is going to be a great year, even for sixth grade students who are in middle school for the first time. The first few days for sixth graders are nerve-racking, to be sure. Maybe even down-right scary, with lockers that won't open if you turn the lock the wrong way, and getting lost if you turn right instead of left as you leave art class in that far-away building. But then the opening days pass, and everything calms down.

Or does it? What are the thoughts of these newest middle schoolers? What are the most appreciated differences from elementary school? What are the hardest adjustments? Just as I did last

year, then, I sought answers from a grade 6 homeroom. Here are just some of the results of this informal poll:

What do you like best about middle school versus elementary school?

- The cafeteria
- So many cool electives
- Being with older kids
- Different teachers who are experts at a subject
- Having a schedule that changes so every day is different
- Having my own locker
- Meeting lots of people and getting to make lots of new friends

What is the hardest about moving from elementary school to middle school?

- Having to get used to so many different teachers
- The schedule seemed confusing at first
- Getting quickly from class to class
- Worrying if I forget something in my locker for my next class
- Not being in classes with friends and having to get to know new people

August 27, 2010

Perhaps not surprisingly, some of the positive points (lockers, schedules, teachers, friends) overlap with the negative points. Both research on middle level education and our anecdotal comments suggest that it's common for grade six transitions like these to seem both intriguing and challenging, AND scary and overwhelming. But as just about any grade 7 student can tell you, it all gets easier with time, friendly homeroom and subject teachers, active and visible counselors, support staff and administrators, and programs in place to help with adjustment. So we encourage our grade six students (and all middle schoolers) to ask for help if they need it, to take advantage of extra-curricular activities and other programs, and to smile at that stranger next to you at your locker or at the food court. Middle school rocks if you let it!!

We look forward to meeting you and sharing more about Pudong campus middle school at our Open House Wednesday, September 15. See you there!



Middle School Open House, Wednesday, September 15, 6-8:15 pm.

LEFT: Some of our Grade 6 Chinese language students.

Olympian MICHAEL PHELPS gives SAS swimmers some tips as ...

SAS makes a name for itself at the AAU Junior Olympics!

By Amanda INGRAM

This summer, four girls from the SAS swim team, Jessica Hu and Vivian Zhou from the Puxi campus and Jacqui Johnsson and Meghan Ingram from the Pudong campus, travelled to America to spend two weeks of their holidays hard at work in the pool.

First, they attended the Michael Phelps NBAC swim camp in Baltimore where they were excited to receive advice on stroke technique from top coaches including Michael Phelps' personal coach, Bob Bowman. They also learned useful tips about fitness and nutrition.

However, the highlight of the week for the girls was meeting Michael Phelps himself. They had an amazing opportunity to ask Michael questions about swimming and to watch him, Katie Hoff and other members of the U.S. Swim team in training for the upcoming Pan Pacific Swimming Championship.

Next, they travelled south to Newport News in Virginia, keen to put their improved strokes into practice at the AAU Junior Olympics. This sporting event attracted more than 400 swimmers from all over the USA but our SAS girls were not to be intimidated! By the end of

the week, they had amassed a total of 22 medals between them for top 8 finishes, including three Bronze medals and a fourth place finish in the 11-12 year club relay events. A fantastic achievement!

On the last day of the competition when, according to tradition swim caps are swapped, the girl's SAS caps were in high demand. In true "Eagle" style, their determination and positive spirit demonstrated that they had certainly taken on board the motivational quote from the NBAC swim camp: "Excellence is not an exception, it's a prevailing attitude".

The girls expressed gratitude to Coach Hu who was the inspiration behind the trip and who stepped up as coach.



PHOTOS: Below—Seated in the white shirt, NBAC Coach Bob Bowman, and in the blue shirt, Michael Phelps. Back row, from left to right, Meghan Ingram (2nd from left), Jessica Hu (3rd from left), Vivian Zhou (black shirt, 2nd from right), Jacqui Johnsson (red shirt, right). There are two girls from the camp in this picture that are not SAS students. **Far left:** Coach Bowman. **Center:** Vivian Zhou, Jacqui Johnsson, Jessica Hu, Meghan Ingram with medals after competing in the AAU Junior Olympics. **Top:** Olympian Michael Phelps offers students swimming advice.



Swimming into a new school year

—Jon BIROS, Aquatics Director Puxi campus and George CARPOUZIS, Aquatics Director, Pudong campus

Welcome back to all you re-turning Eagles (parents and swimmers alike) and new Eagles to be! Your coaches are back, rested and ready to start off the new swim year. We have a couple new faces among the coaching staff that are here to help support our ever-growing program. You will meet them at the pool shortly. Tryout time details for the Puxi Campus see: <http://aquaticscenter.saschina.org>.

It's expected that students commit to attending their practices and weekend swim meets they qualify for. We realize students will have family and homework obligations to fulfill. If you believe a balance between these obligations can be maintained we welcome your involvement on the swim team. In Shanghai our Puxi and Pudong swimmers will compete against each other. In traveling meets we will continue to unite as *One Team on Two Campus*.

For more information contact your coaches or Aquatics Director Jon Biros (Puxi) jon.biros@saschina.org or George Carpouzis (Pudong) at george.carpouzis@saschina.org

In-class swimming lessons for Puxi's Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Grade 1 will commence August 27 and will run for the entire month of September. Details will be communicated through the homeroom teacher.

Puxi lap swimming times for adults are from 6-7:45am Monday to Friday as well as Fridays after school from 4:05-5pm.

Student Swim Club is back at Puxi and will run Wednesday from 5-7pm and select Saturday from 9-12pm starting Sept. 15. For registration details see the Puxi blog at <http://aquaticscenter.saschina.org>. We look forward to seeing you poolside.

Swimming is a life long skill that the PE dept has incorporated into the Physical Education curriculum. We offer swimming to all students taking PE and whether you are a beginner or competitive swimmer, we adapt the classes to suit all levels. Last year, over 1,000 students used our new (and state of the art) Aquatic Facility at the Pudong campus and we are very excited to see all PE students this school year in the swimming pool!

Also, our SAS Pudong Aqua Eagles Swim Team is a very young yet strong team in the Shanghai area as well as abroad. Swimming tryouts were already held during the first week of school and we are also excited to see this team improve. Happy swimming!

Details for the Pudong camp tryouts see: <http://teachers.saschina.org/pd-swimming>



Active Kidz (AKS) is excited to welcome you back to school! Just a reminder, our fall programs, ranging from Ballet to Soccer, will kick off this week. For more information, check out Activekidz.org for a whole list of our athletic offerings. Let the games begin!

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CISSA programs begin

By Robert GUERTEN, CISSA Coordinator for Pudong Campus

Welcome to the 2010-2011 new school year! Since it is the start of a new school year, this is an excellent opportunity for you to make a "new year resolution." May I suggest that your "new resolution" be to participate in one or more CISSA after school activities?

I am thrilled to be a new member of the MS PE Department in addition to being the CISSA Coordinator. Joining me at SAS are my wife Tracy Murphy (Elementary Counselor), and my two daughters, Saskia (PreK), and Shayna (Grade 3). Prior to moving to Shanghai, we lived in Jakarta for 11 years and in Dubai for 8 years.

SAS Pudong is a member of a local sports league comprised of twenty international schools in the greater Shanghai area, Suzhou, Hangzhou, and Nanjing. The China International Schools Sports Association is more commonly known as its acronym, CISSA. The CISSA program matches perfectly with our middle school philosophy as it is all-inclusive, promotes cooperative participation rather than fierce competition, and fosters teamwork, sportsmanship, and most importantly, fun. Seasons usually last four to five weeks and end with a Saturday tournament in which we play local schools and from Nanjing, Hangzhou, and Suzhou. Some of the sports, there is a junior division for grade six students and a senior division for seventh and eighth graders.

Practices are held on Tuesdays until 4:15pm, which allows students to take the 4:30pm activity bus routes home. Games are usually played on Thursdays with home games finishing at 5:15pm allowing students time to catch the 5:30pm activity bus.

The first sport that you can join is Touch Rugby. This is a coed sport. That means that teams are made up of boys and girls. If you have never played before, then we would love to see you out there. If you go to the CISSA Blog, you can sign up online. So, what are you waiting for?

Please feel free to contact me at school (6221-1445 ext. 5309) should you have any questions regarding the CISSA program. You can also visit the CISSA Blog or e-mail me at rob.geurten@saschina.org

SPORTS @ SHANGHAI AMERICAN SCHOOL

Pudong Campus

By
Todd
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Pudong Campus
Activities
Director



Welcome back to another amazing year of SAS Pudong Activities!

High School (HS) After School Activities and Sports:

On Monday, August 23 all HS students at SAS Pudong had the opportunity to sign up for After School Activities (ASAs). These activities range from seasonal performing arts groups to yearlong service organizations and clubs. Please note we have strategically placed many copies of the 2010-11 HS Activities Matrix and HS ASA schedule around the school that will help you in your decision making process. You can also download these on the SAS PD Activities Blog under the "HS Forms & Documents" Tab. <http://teachers.saschina.org/pdactivities/>.

In addition to ASAs signups that began on August 23, HS tryouts began for boy's and girl's volleyball, rugby, swimming, tennis, cross country and boy's baseball on August 19. HS golf tryouts began on August 24 at the Shanghai Links Golf Club and HS Table Tennis will start tryouts on Monday, August 30.

With all the sports and activities being offered students must make choices as to which they want to participate in during each season. During HS ASA signups each HS ASA sponsor will be available for questions and answers during lunch outside the food court.

Middle School (MS) Sports and After School Activities:

In the middle school this year we have a new CISSA Coordinator, Rob Geurten, who will be running the MS sports program. He will provide information to MS students and parents in the coming days and weeks about CISSA and the sign-up procedures.

Very soon we will also be sending home detailed sign-up information about Session One MS ASA's so please be looking for that in your child's backpack.

Elementary School (ES) After School Activities:

Just like in years past there will be a vast number of ES ASA teacher offerings, which will be compiled into an easy to read packet and sent home to all ES students on Friday, September 3, so please keep your eyes open for that. These ES ASA forms need to be returned to your child's teacher NO LATER than Thursday, September 9.

On behalf of the Activities office I would once again like to welcome you all back to what is sure to be another super year for activities and sports here at the SAS Pudong Campus.

Eagle Pride!

Puxi Campus

By
Steve
Doleman
Puxi Campus
Activities
Director



Welcome back to Puxi Activities...we all hope you are well rested and ready for another great year of activities!!

In the quest for creating balanced lifestyles, SASPX offers numerous opportunities for students to participate in extra-curricular activities. The program offers distinct sessions throughout the year (they vary from school to school) and is open to students of all grade levels.

We take this opportunity of introducing you to the Puxi Activities Blog: <http://teachers.saschina.org/pxactivities/>. The blog is where we post our latest news and information. For example: ASA Bus Drop off Points; ASA Matrices; Permission to Tryout forms; APAC/China Cup dates.

Activity Buses

Departure Times: 4.30pm; 5.15pm; 6.00pm

Routes:

- Bus A = Hu Qing Ping area
- Bus B = Portman area
- Bus C1 = Hong Qiao area
- Bus C2 = Hong Qiao/Xujiahui area
- Bus D = Pudong area (no 4.30pm service)
- Bus E (6.00pm only) = Jade Laguna area

For full details, please see the link on Activities Blog: "ASA Bus Drop Off Points"

After School Activities (ASA) for 2010-11

Elementary School:

First Season: Sept. 20 - Oct. 29 (5 weeks)...(Sign-up dates: Sept. 6 - 10)
Second Season: Feb. 14-Mar. 18 (5 weeks)...(Sign-up dates: Jan. 17-21)
Third Season: Apr. 25-May 30 (5 weeks)...(Sign-up dates: Apr. 11-15)

Middle School:

First Season: Aug. 30 - Oct. 15 ... (Registration Dates: Aug. 23-26)
Second Season: Oct. 25-Dec. ... (Registration Dates: Oct. 18-21)
Third Season: Jan. 17-Mar. 1... (Registration Dates: Jan. 10-13)
Fourth Season: Mar. 14- Apr. 29 ... (Registration Dates: Mar. 7-10)
Fifth Season: May 9-Jun. 13 ... (Registration Dates: May 3-6)

High School:

First Season: Aug. 19 - Oct. 24
Second Season: Oct. 25 - Jan. 26
Third Season: Feb. 9 - Apr. 17
Fourth Season: Apr. 18 - Jun. 3

Good luck to everyone ... Way to Go Eagles!

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
August 30	August 31	September 1	September 2	September 3
Fusilli w/ tomato and smoked bacon Oven-baked penne w/ cheese Sautéed spinach	Creamy chicken stir fry Sautéed pork w/ black bean sauce Egg rice Corn and peas, rice	Beef stew topped w/ potato gratin Fish filets w/ crispy and tartar sauce Greens, rice Mixed veggies	Beef steak w/ gravy Sautéed pork fajita style Spinach, rice carrots and celery	Roasted chicken drumstick Meatloaf in chunky tomato ragu Steamed rice Seasonal greens
Vegetarian				
Fried egg rice	Veggie taco	Samosa	Vegetable curry	Spinach, cheese pizza
Dessert				
Brownies	Apple pie	Banana cake	Vanilla pudding	Jell-O with fruits
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
September 6	September 7	September 8	September 9	September 10
Spaghetti w/ tuna, onions, tomato, parsley Pork stroganoff Corn, rice celery and carrots	Roast chicken w/ cajun Oyster beef w/ onions and corn Parsley, rice Corn and peas, rice	Baked beef ball w/ tomato sauce and cheese Curry pork w/ coconut Garlic, rice Mixed veggies	Roast pork loin w/ gravy Kimchi fried rice Roasted potato Carrots and celery	Chicken tikka Stewed beef w/ mushrooms Steamed rice Seasonal greens
Vegetarian				
Spring roll	Veggie jiao zi	Cabbage roll	Veg burger	Lasagne
Dessert				
Banana cake	Carrot cake	Butter cake	Apple tart	Jell-O



UPCOMING EVENTS @ SAS

AUGUST — Pudong Campus

- 27 ♦HS STUCO Lock-In
♦HS ASA Sign-ups
- 31 ♦HS Booster Club meeting, 10:00 am (off campus)

SEPTEMBER — Pudong Campus

- 1 ♦HS SAT Registration Deadline for November 6 Exam
- 2-5 ♦High school IB Y2 Visual Arts Retreat
- 3 ♦HS Student Council "Back to School" Assembly
- 6-7 ♦Grade 6 Mac rollout
- 7 ♦HS Open House
- 8 ♦ES Open House
- 9 ♦HS PTSA meeting at 11am in the LLH
- 14 ♦ES Assembly
- 15 ♦MS Open House, 6:15-8pm
- 16 ♦MS Counselor Coffee,
- 18 ♦PTSA WELCOME BACK FALL BBQ, 11am-3pm
- 20 ♦ES Assembly, 6:30pm – 9:30pm
- 20-21 ♦ES Photo Days
- 22 ♦NO SCHOOL
- 23 ♦MS Book Club, 12:30-2:15pm, Grade 6 commons area
- 29 ♦SAS Reads
- 30 ♦ES/MS Spirit Walk

SAS Temperature-check Guidelines

Recently, Superintendent Kerry Jacobson issued a letter by e-mail to the community outlining the school's guidelines for avoiding flu-like illness. Community members or campus visitors found to have a temperature of 37.5C or higher will be sent home. The guidelines discourage parents from giving their children fever-reducing medications in order to send them to school while sick. The letter includes advice on how to avoid contracting flu-like illness and outlines the responsibilities of everyone in the SAS community for keeping the school healthy. A copy of the original e-mail may be requested by writing to communications@saschina.org. Alternatively, the letter -- also translated into Chinese and Korean -- may be downloaded from the "Related Documents" section at the bottom of the web page for each of the school's Elementary, Middle and High School divisions at www.saschina.org.

AUGUST — Puxi Campus

- 27 ♦MS Grade 6 Overnighter

SEPTEMBER — Puxi Campus

- 1 ♦HS Principal's Coffee, 10am-12pm @ Performing Arts Center
- 2 ♦MS Open House, 6-8:30pm. (PAC)
♦HS STUCO Elections (PAC and BBT)
- 3 ♦HS Leadership Retreat (various locations around HS)
- 7 ♦HS Senior Parent Night—Reception,
Performing Arts Center, 6-8:30pm
- 9 ♦HS HS College Visit, Lecture Hall, 9:30-10:30am
♦HS Open House, Performing Arts Center, 6-8:30pm
- 10 ♦Grade 7 Bonding Day
♦Grade 8 Bonding Day
- 14 ♦MS Principal Coffee, 10am (LMC)
- 15 ♦ES Parent Coffee 9:00 Project Area
♦ES Parent to Parent Meeting 10:30am, Project Area
♦ES Open House Grade 3-5 6:30-8pm PAC
- 16 ♦ES Passport Check, 8:20am Project Area
♦ES Open House Grade PK-Grade 2, 6:30-8pm, PAC
- 17 ♦MS Dance, 5:30-8pm, large cafeteria
♦Jin Xing Dance Theater Performance,
Performing Arts Center, 7pm
- 22 ♦NO SCHOOL
- 23 ♦ES Passport Recheck, 8:20am Project Area
♦MS Parent-Counselor Coffee #1, 10-12 noon,
Administration Building Conference Room
- 24 ♦PK-2 Assembly, 8:20-9am Performing Arts Center

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editor. I can vividly remember the editor calling me to bring a chair and come to sit behind him as he edited my first article. Before he even began, he said, "The relationship between a writer and an editor is a real love-hate relationship. You may hate me for what I change, but remember I am only making it better." As I watched him change around the words and hearing his comments, I was filled with anxiety — wondering what he thought. As he reached the end of the article, I increasingly felt worse. Finally, when he was done, he turned to me and he said "Good article, we'll publish it." It was only then that my right leg stopped nervously shaking and my queasiness was overcome by happiness.

Throughout my internship at Interfax China, I learned what it takes to become a successful journalist, what life is like as a young expatriate and that working 9-5 is actually tremendously long.

My internship was a great experience and it was very gratifying to have been published. Here's a link to my article on smart-phones: <http://www.interfax.cn/news/14227>