

Visiting author Allan Wolf breaks into an explosive musical and rhythmic performance, reciting a poem while playing on a small, digital-sounding instrument. "It's a Jew's harp," he explains. "What does this have to do with poetry? Nothing at all, it's just cool." He grins as the audience bursts into laughter. It's this laidback quality and unexpected humor that easily garners the audience's attention. When Wolf visited the Puxi campus middle school March 1-4 a couple of weeks ago, everyone had an opportunity to get a little poetry fix.

Wolf was born February 26, 1963, in Connecticut.

By Valerie YAM, Grade 8, Puxi Campus  
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However, Wolf not only creates poems, he performs them in something called "performance poetry." In the four days that he visited the Puxi campus, he did workshops with sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-graders, discussing what it means to be a poet, describing his journey as a writer and explaining and performing poetry.

Performing poetry is so much



one of the walls. It made me laugh."

Wolf also had a fascinating theory about seeing the world, called the "po-folk" and "no-po" theory. "Po-folk" see the world through a poet's eyes. They turn ordinary things into something extraordinary. They see that poetry

is everywhere; they see that even the smallest thing like a daffodil or a cup of coffee can be something remarkable. No-po's are the opposite of po-folk. They barrel through their day, never stopping to admire the small things that can be as equally stunning as those obvious, loud, in-your-face things in life.

Another story Wolf shared involved syrup—of all things. Wolf used to live by a maple farm and maple sap from the maple trees would drip from a long tube, all the way down the hill to a little house called The Sugar Shack. There, the sap would be collected and boiled to make the delicious, gooey liquid that is used to put on your pancakes and waffles—maple syrup. Turns out, it takes 50 gallons of maple sap to make only one gallon of maple syrup. Hearing this, Annalise Ko said, "I found his analogy of the maple sap and the maple syrup really interesting." His lesson? In order to become a great writer, you have to gain lots of experience. You need to read a lot of books, go and see many places, and take in everything around you in order to produce a great piece of writing. You have to be a po-folk!

more than just reading a poem to an audience. You incorporate body movement, different tones in your voice, and different expressions in your face to make the words come alive.

A few lucky students from each grade level were given the opportunity to have lunch with him and to ask questions about what exactly Wolf does. Alasdair Sinclair said, "Having lunch with Mr. Wolf was really fun. We discussed our own writing, and we made up our own poem on the spot." On Wolf's last day, we even hosted a farewell assembly for him. He performed his last couple of poems, one including the message that your imagination and a book can take you on an amazing adventure without you even having to leave your own house.

Wolf got an early start in self-expression. Just after his 12th birthday, he was flipping a coin in his room when it suddenly rolled behind a baseboard. Feeling the need to record it the event, he wrote the date on the wall lightly above the spot. He instantly felt relieved, like a lot of pressure had vanished. Soon, he felt the need to communicate everything. The walls, ceiling, floor, and even some of the furniture was covered with jumbles of creative words, phrases, poetry and pictures. Mr. Wolf showed students the photos of his creation. Liane Ma, G8 student said, "I remember seeing 'WE EAT THE ORGANS OF LITTLE BUNNIES' written on



Visiting author, Allan Wolf, poses the question: Are you po or no-po?

Growing up, literature wasn't a big influence on his life. Instead, he was interested in skateboarding, snakes, tarantulas, and music. It wasn't until high school, when a teacher inspired him, that he found an aptitude for writing. Since then, he has earned a Master's degree in English at Virginia Tech, taught there for three years, became



the Education Director for Poetry Alive!, a group of actors and poets that travel around the United States performing poetry as theatre, and has been recruited into a musical trio, The Dead Poets. Now, he is a full-time author and performer. His published works include two books for teachers, a historical novel in verse, *New Found Land: Lewis and Clark's Voyage of Discovery*, a how-to book for aspiring poets, a poetry chapbook, and an illustrated book of poems for kids, *The Blood-Hungry Spleen and Other Poems About our Parts*.

# SAS students make the scene with Shakespeare

By Fanghua JIANG, SAS parent, Puxi Campus

Seventh grader Adrian Lee and fifth grader Anzi DeBenedetto have found themselves an unusual after-school job: acting on stage in Shanghai Repertory Theater's production of William Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*.

A love-sick duke, a prudish countess, a mysterious pirate, a heroine in disguise, a foolish clown and clownish fools all become entangled in a ridiculous love triangle in Shanghai Repertory Theater's first play of the 2011 season, Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*. This romantic comedy of mistaken identities crosses words, wits, and swords to spin a tale the whole family will enjoy.

As officers of the Duke Orsino, Valentine, played by Adrian, and Curio, played by Anzi, are required to serve the love-sick Duke, and patrol and keep the peace in the topsy-turvy kingdom of Illyria. When they run into the Duke's old enemy, the pirate Antonio, they disarm and arrest him and escort him back to the palace to meet his fate.

"It's different from our school plays because the other actors are mature and more experienced," says Anzi. "Even though it takes more effort it's a real opportunity to shine on stage."

"Working with professionals is a great experience," adds Adrian.

Both boys have had to learn to balance their homework responsibilities with attending rehearsals two nights a week. This is Anzi's second production with Shanghai Repertory Theater, having first played Peter Cratchit in Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* in December, 2009.

Performances will be from March 24 to April 3, Tuesday through Saturday at 8pm, and Sunday at 3pm, at the Ke Center for Contemporary Arts, 613-B Kai Xuan Lu. For ticket information call 136 4170 1170, or e-mail [shanghai.repertory.info@gmail.com](mailto:shanghai.repertory.info@gmail.com).



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# SAS students answer 252,697 questions correctly

By Abby PAN, ES Student Reporter, Puxi Campus

Ever heard of World Maths Day? It happens every March 1 all around the world. The activity is actually 48 hours long, because of the different time zones, and is filled with endless competitions and math questions.

This year, 204 SAS students from 17 classes participated, and a few even made it to the Hall of Fame.

World Maths Day is a once-a-year event in which students compete against each other in mini-math games for up to four people at a time. There are different age groups, and students only compete within their own age group. Everyone can enjoy 100 games, each lasting 60 seconds, and gain points each time they answer questions correctly.

This year, World Maths Day had 428,598,214 questions that were answered correctly during the 48 hours World Maths Day was open. At SAS, we answered 252,697 questions correctly. More than five million students registered from 218 countries and 56,082 schools around the world. Overall, the organizers of World Math Day report that arithmetic speed and accuracy skills improved 30% over the course of the 48 hours the competition happened.

SAS students who reached the Hall of Fame:

**Jason Zuo**  
Grade: 5  
Teacher: Steve Hanlin  
Place: 48th

Age Group: 8-10  
Points: 4,747

**Brian Jung**  
Grade: 5  
Teacher: Noreen Croyle  
Place: 55th  
Age Group: 8-10  
Points: 4,589

**Nathan Lang**  
Grade: 5  
Teacher: Steve Hanlin  
Place: 68th  
Age Group: 8-10  
Points: 4,429

Many other SAS students have pulled off outstanding results during this activity. Below are some other great achievers this year:

Dean Chamberlain, Michael Chen, Michelle Hong, Tiffany Hsia, Joyce Kao, Lucas Lee,

Abbie Leung, James Li, Niven Lim, Helen Lo, Wayne Low, Miranda Mo, Nacelle Shen, Brandon Tang, Albert Yun.

If you see any of these people, be sure to congratulate them on their outstanding math skills!



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# Library on Wheels: Sunday English teaching at Golden Ox school

By Wendy DA, the Global Language Coordinator, Puxi Campus

## Background:

Although we are planning the Spring break trip to Sichuan Village school, HS "Library on Wheels" students started the Sunday English Teaching at a local migration school, Golden Ox school on Sunday, February 20.

Golden Ox school is a nursery school for children aged 3-6 years. These kids' parents are migrant workers and the school is one of SAS HS Community Service institutes. The principal, Mr. Hu and key teachers migrated from An Hui province. After witnessing the difficulty of enrolling the migrant workers' kids in the nursery in Xujin area, they established this school to help those parents and kids. In two years, the schools grew to 130 students so far.

Mr. Hu is very happy to provide the classrooms at the weekends and work together with us for the Sunday English Teaching project. The goal of this activity is to offer the migrant children in grades 3-5 who live nearby an opportunity to learn English. A total of 20 migrant children have signed up—some are siblings of Mr. Hu's students. There are many more who want to join but we can only have 20 for now.



Grade 9 students teaching English at Golden OX

## SAS support and effort

Eight high school students have formed a team led by Michelle Xu. They will rotate and go to the school once a week (four in a group).

HS students are creating mini English lessons (PPT) for English teaching:

1. Vocabulary with theme (fruits, sports, travel, etc)
2. Little story (from the picture books)

SAS Tech office has donated used PC desktops and laptops to our English teaching activity.

ES library has donated boxes of used English picture books

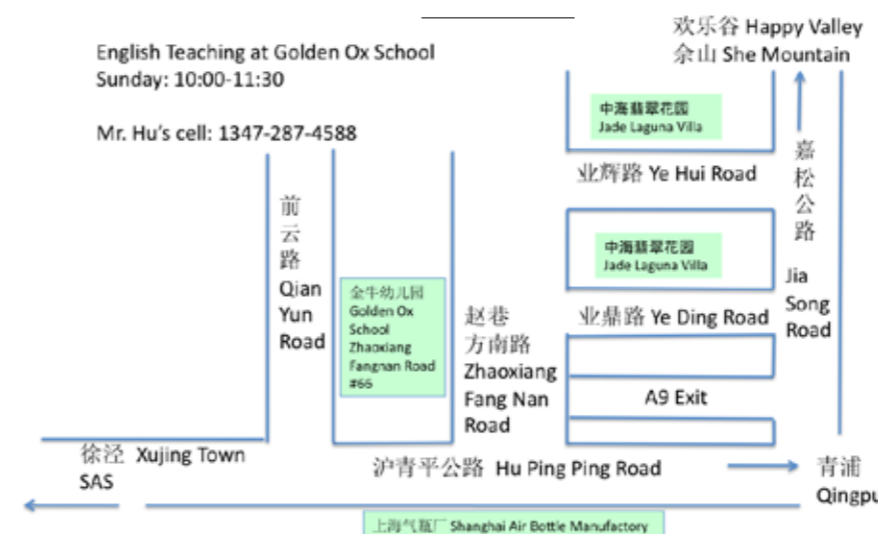
## More support we are looking for

We need 15 PC monitors, keyboards and mouse to make that PC desktop computers work.

If you have used and unneeded items mentioned above, please let us know.

If you like to join the English teaching, or give your children the opportunity to interact with the local kids, you are welcome to come to the Golden Ox school to teach English or read story. Once or twice a month is fine.

Here is the address: Zhaoxiang Fangnan Road (cross with Huqing Ping Road), #66. Please see the map.



## Meet XIAO BEI — Adoptable Pet of the Week



Xiao Bei is a lovely one year old male who had some serious health issues (skin problems and trauma from previous ownership), and took him nearly 30 days in the hospital to recover. Currently, Xiao Bei is perfectly healthy and is living with wonderful foster parents who, sadly enough, have to go back to their home country very soon.

We are looking for a permanent home for Xiao Bei. The ideal home for him will be with a family with no other animals and without very young children. Xiao Bei is playful and friendly once he has gained your trust but at the same time, he is quite an independent cat who enjoys his 'quiet time'. Can you give Xiao Bei a 'forever home'?

This Community Service Announcement is brought to you by Pudong Campus' HS Animal Rescue, a club working in conjunction with Jaiya's Animal Rescue (JAR). For more information on other ways that you can help or donate, please contact Shannon or Jean at syeh3789@yahoo.com / jeanzhang92@gmail.com or contact JAR directly at shanghai dogs@gmail.com to adopt or foster.



Sethi has contributed numerous segments to Nightly News with Brian Williams, CNBC, the Oprah Winfrey Show, Today Show, Ellen DeGeneres Show, Martha Stewart Show and History Channel.

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By Nathan **REN**, Senior, Pudong Campus

## Eco-hero, Simran Sethi, visits Pudong campus

On March 3, 2011, the Pudong Campus Roots & Shoots club had the pleasure of listening to Simran Preeti Sethi and later giving her a tour of the school.

Sethi is an Emmy award-winning journalist and associate professor at the University of Kansas School of Journalism and Mass Communications, where she currently teaches courses on sustainability and environmental communications and diversity in media. She is writing a book on the psychological barriers to environmental engagement for Harper Collins. She is a contributing author of *Ethical Markets: Growing the Green Economy*, winner of the bronze 2008 Axiom Award for Best Business Ethics Book. She is also the founding host/writer of Sundance Channel's environmental

programming "The Green" and the creator of the Sundance online series "The Good Fight," highlighting global environmental justice efforts and grassroots activism.

Named one of the top ten eco-heroes of the planet by the UK's *Independent* and lauded as the "environmental messenger" by *Vanity Fair* and "environmental woman of impact" by *Daily Variety*, Simran has contributed numerous segments to Nightly News with Brian Williams, CNBC, the Oprah Winfrey Show, Today Show, Ellen DeGeneres Show, Martha Stewart Show and History Channel.

No wonder then why we were excited to welcome Sethi to our campus. She came to Shanghai American School—Pudong Campus, because she'd heard about our reputa-

tion for being a forward-thinking green community and educational institution. She gave a speech about her efforts and reasons for helping the environment, and one of her strongest motivations is healthy food.

Sethi discovered SAS's Roots & Shoots program through a friend and through the Internet when she was web-surfing about Organic Gardening. Any other school could have committed to the environment, yet our commitment to healthy food drew her to us. She wanted to see what we had to offer in terms of our organic gardening. Sadly, because of a communication problem our beloved garden was left to dry out over the summer. When we returned for this school year, nothing remained of our organic gar-

—see **SETHI** on page 32



## Art education taking off at Puxi campus middle school

By Christopher **HEMM**, Grade 6, Puxi Campus

*All children are artists. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up.*  
—Pablo Picasso

At the Puxi campus middle school, the art program has always been great, but recently it has rocketed to new highs.

The students are now getting more art—the program has expanded from 12 to 18 weeks per year for all kids in Grades 6, 7, and 8. The school has also added art exploratories such as Photoshop, Art Studio, and Project Runway. Stanley Wang, G6, said, "I love the Photoshop exploratory and I like to try out new art with technology." Next year the school will add another art teacher which will allow for greater depth of study, smaller class size, and even more choice in exploratories.

Both middle school art teachers, Craig Reynolds and Ann Hefte, have a "constructivist" philosophy of teaching art. Students work around common themes and build on what they have learned in the past. "Problem-solving and meaning-making through the art is very important," said Hefte recently. "Student artwork here is based on *process over product*."

Another benefit of art education, according to Hefte, is that students become more balanced by engaging in right-brain creative activity to counteract their left-brain academic activity.

Displaying and sharing of student work is an important component of the art program that is good for the whole school community. A variety of student art has been hung all over the middle school—the downstairs commons (Café 678), the hallways, the lobby, and the stairwells. Displays have also spilled over into the PAC and LMC. "Ms. Hefte and Mr. Reynolds have decorated the school



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beautifully with student art," said Michael Easton, G8 language arts teacher. "It gives the school a cool and creative energy."

Currently, MS students are working on one of three creative projects. Grade Six students are creating a mural that explores the relationship of man and nature. Each student will contribute one piece which will include man-made and natural elements. Grade Seven kids are working on "green" contemporary sculptures and the Grade Eight students are developing complex self-portraits.

The future is looking very bright for the art program itself as well. In addition to the new halftime teacher, the school is also building two new purpose-built art studios that include a kiln. These studios will provide students with better opportunities in different media and more responsibility for their learning.

"We are really excited about our new art studios next year," said Reynolds. "We're also hoping to add another common space for digital media, which is such an important element of art these days."

The administration has worked closely with art teachers to achieve their goals. Theron Mott, Puxi campus MS vice-principal, said, "The art program is here to expose students to various forms of art, to develop an appreciation and understanding of art, and to be able to actually practice those forms of art on their own."

Like Picasso said, "All children are artists." The art program at our middle school is ultimately trying to add balance to students' lives and create cool art at the same time.

**PHOTOS:** Above—Exhibit of plates in the MS; Left—Ann Hefte with G7 students working on a kinesthetic sculpture that expresses that balance between man and nature; Right—Craig Reynolds with G8 students planning their self-portrait projects. EAGLE photos by Michael Easton.





*“Locks of Love” is a public non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children in the United States and Canada under age 21 suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis.*

# Student donates hair

By Jeanette **DIXON**, ES Elementary Teacher, Pudong Campus, and Pudong parent

to help other children

“WWW! That hurts!” How many times have we heard that yell when brushing long, tangly hair? Too many times was the answer in two Pudong SAS households. Barbara Boyer, Elementary Librarian had an idea that solved a problem in her household and in mine. Barbara wanted to get her hair cut and realized that at the same time she could help a child in need. My daughter, Laura, had also been trying to convince us, her parents, of a long-wanted haircut. When she found out about “Locks for Love” and was able to convince her parents to stop the yells and be globally minded, “we felt we had to support her decision,” said her father and my husband Greg.

“Locks of Love” is a public non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children in the United States and Canada under age 21 suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis. The prostheses (wigs) they provide help to restore their self-esteem and their confidence, enabling them to face the world and their peers. It is estimated that 80% of all donations come from children who wish to help other children.

On the appointed day, February 28, Barbara and Laura went to Benson’s Hair Salon in JinQiao where Jack chopped off their locks. Barbara contributed 12 inches and Laura 10 inches. They were given a certificate from “Locks for Love” applauding them for their contribution (see photo).

Barbara Boyer, ES Librarian, Pudong Campus, recommends the book *Because of Anya* by Margaret Peterson Haddix. It’s the story of a young girl who develops alopecia and how much our hair is associated with our identity.

I’m wondering where the gift of giving will stop? Let’s spread the love far and wide!

**Some very interesting facts were found on their website: <http://www.locksoflove.org>.**

**Q. How many ponytails does it take to make one hairpiece?**

A. Six to 10 donated ponytails go into one hairpiece.

**Q. Does “Locks of Love” need hair?**

A. Yes, we are always in need of hair. We forecast our need because our recipients can reapply for a new hairpiece every 18 months. One recipient could receive up to 10 hairpieces. Because these hairpieces are custom made, they cannot be reused.

**Q. Do you help boys and girls?**

A. Yes, we help both boys and girls. The majority of children who apply for a hairpiece are girls.

**Q. What are some of the medical conditions of the children you help?**

A. Most of our recipients suffer from *alopecia areata*. [*Alopecia* is a health condition in which hair is lost from some or all areas of the body, usually from the scalp. Because it causes bald spots on the scalp, especially in the first stages, it is sometimes called spot baldness. In some cases, the condition can spread to the entire scalp.] Others have experienced hair loss from radiation therapy and chemotherapy, severe burns or trauma, and various other genetic and dermatological conditions.



# Elementary school explores diversity through *film noir*

By Julie **WILD**, ES Music Teacher, Pudong Campus

Over the past several weeks, 32 fourth- and fifth-graders have been meeting in my room for an afterschool activity called “Assembly Fun.” Together, they prepared a film noir musical based on “diversity,” our guidance theme for the month of February. On Friday, March 4, the lively cast presented our final product to their parents and our elementary school.

The hero of our story was Shepherd. C. Lately, played by Martin Ginesta. Normally, a private eye, Shep had taken temporary employment at SAS as a security guard on account of a serious cash flow problem. Unlike most film noir gumshoes who choose

—See **FILM NOIR** on page 24



Moving to a new locale can be an unnerving transition. Second of a four-part series.

## Transitions: I'm leaving in June and reality is setting in—Acceptance

By Laura COWAN, MS Counselor, Pudong Campus

Reality is most definitely setting in; however I still don't feel that I have fully accepted the fact that I am moving in June.



Laura Cowan

According to research there are five stages within the grieving process; Denial, Anger, Bargaining, Depression and Acceptance. People who are grieving may jump back and forth between the stages before finally coming to terms with their loss. There are

no norms when it comes to grieving, and the length of time it takes depends largely on the individual, their relationship with the person/people they are grieving, their resiliency, past experiences, and the support they receive during the critical phases of mourning. I think that I am still in the denial/bargaining phase as it seems that what lies ahead is just too overwhelming to think about; packing, shippers, insurance, flights, accommodation, health checks, and police checks to name just a few!

In the world that we live in I find that we have to face painful transitions on a much more regular basis than those who

live in one place for their entire lives. Saying 'goodbye or see you later' can be just as challenging as losing a loved one; because for many of us, the friends we make in our time abroad become our family. And it's difficult not only for the people who are leaving, but in many instances it can be even more difficult for the people we leave behind. Children can and generally do have a tougher time with transitions, but many don't, can't, won't or are unable to express their thoughts and feelings; instead putting on a brave face and faking their coping skills.

In my observations as a counselor and teacher in international schools over the past 16 years I have watched people subconsciously develop immunity to this kind of pain, however this is not necessarily healthy and repression can lead to anxiety and/or depression further down the line. It is extremely important that we do not avoid reality, but instead embrace the feelings, as uncomfortable as they may be, as only then are we able to work through them and feel stable and at peace as we move towards our next adventure/chapter in life. Shielding yourself and/or your children from perceived pain or anguish is denying

them the opportunity to develop essential lifelong skills and can lead to more upset in the long term too.

At the same time it's important to live in the now and not obsess about what may/may not happen in the future – what a waste of the present that would be. I want to be able to look back and have happy memories of Shanghai and SAS, especially in the lead up to my transition – I don't want to regret not living life to the full and enjoying my time right here right now.

Talking helps! If you are leaving or if you know somebody who will be leaving, don't avoid the issue; share your thoughts and feelings either with your friends or with a counselor. As I like to say "Life will always be a roller coaster. The things that make it go up and down may change, but hold on and enjoy the ride cause that's what makes it interesting."

### Transitions:

- February:** Denial (Leaving in June)
- March:** Reality is setting in (Acceptance)
- April:** So many things to do (Stressed)
- May:** See you later, not goodbye (Celebrations!)

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to walk a solitary path, Shep had six quirky but faithful partners. Lefty, the brains of the group, played by Carlos Lau, could tie his own shoes in PK4. Sing Sing, whose mother makes the best darn cupcakes this side of the Huangpu River, was played by Will Boyer. And who could forget the Hotdog Brothers ('cause hotdog's all anyone's ever heard them say) played by Justin Jin, Carl Zahn, Calen Burgess, and Bevan Dolon.

Our scene opened on a smoggy day in Pudong where the smell of the distant pig farm was so strong you could almost taste the bacon. Shep had just finished off a handful

of jellybeans with orange Powerade chaser when the phone rang. It was principal McVean (played by Charmain Ko) calling to tell Shep that she'd sent two new students over for he and his partners to show around.

Enter the Trouble Twins, Tootsie and Teensie (played by Elizabeth Bugenske and Wrenzi Wrzesinski) and their entourage, Barbie, Betty, Bunny, and Bev (played by Erin Garvey, Grace O'Mara, Aneka Happer and Roxanne Chao). Dressed from head to toe in pink, they made it clear from the start (through song, of course) that they only befriend students who look, dress and think like them.

Reluctantly, but under strict orders from "the boss," the boys began their tour by showing the girls our playground, where the audience was treated to an animated song and dance number. The Trouble Twins, however, were not impressed ("soccer's for boys!") so the group headed off to the cafeteria where our cast dazzled the audience once again with a dance involving cafeteria trays. Because the food being served wasn't pink, however ("Eeww!") the Trouble Twins turned up their noses once again.

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# Swimming faster meet by meet

By Jon **BIROS**, Aquatics Director, Puxi Campus

One hundred and eighty Pudong and Puxi campus Aqua Eagles from the elementary and middle schools competed in the annual New Year's meet held on March 5. Swimmers were excited to clock Personal Bests (PBs) after a number of them had not competed yet in the New Year. Few were disappointed in their results, and the meet that welcomed in the Year of the Rabbit was hopping fun and exciting for all. Our younger 8-and-under swimmers did exceptionally well and they should be proud of their mid year progress. Those at the tippy top in their age groups where:

- **Girls' 8 & Under:** Megan Wang Px 1st, Talia Hope Pd 2nd & Shweta Nanda Pd 3rd
- **Boys' 8 & Under:** Mikey Wong Pd 1st, Se Hyun Cho Px 2nd, & Julien Kim Px 3rd
- **Girls' 9-10:** Roseanne Chao Px 1st, Linda Le Px 2nd & Yoon Jin Lim Pd 3rd
- **Boys' 9-10:** Brian Jung Px 1st, Nolan Liu Px 2nd & Su Hyun Cho Px 3rd
- **Girls' 11-12:** Josephine Mah Px 1st, Meghan Ingram Pd and Jacqui Johnson Pd tied for 2nd & Melisa Seah Pd 3rd
- **Boys' 11-12:** Tristan So Px 1st, William Huang Px 2nd & Winston Chan Px 3rd
- **Girls' 13-14:** Tessa Hart Pd 1st, Stephanie Ji Pd 2nd & Sarah Kim Pd 3rd
- **Boys' 13-14:** Charles Yang Pd 1st, Ivor Huang Pd 2nd & Alejandro Pumarejo Pd and Eric Hong Pd tied for 3rd

PBs times were achieved by 69% of the swimmers, that's 127 PB-ing swimmers. Twenty-six percent set PBs in three or more of their four individual races: from Pudong, Abigail Cole, Isabel Cole, Sabrina Eriksen, Eric Hong, Talia Hope, Elena Huang, Ocean Huang, Amy Jiany, Max Jin, Stephanie Ji, Sarah Kim, Daniel Kong, Edward Lui, Grace Pestrige, Alejandro Pumarejo, Andre Rosen, Melisa Seah, Eric Wan, Madeline Whissell, Mikey Wong, Daniel Xu, Charles Yang, Brian Yiu, Ethan Yong, and Amy Zhou; from Puxi, Derek Brown, Julia Cai, Oliver Cai, Nathan Chan, Aidan Dungan, Adam He, Shi Ho Kim, Yi-Xin Lau, Leonard Lee, Yeop Lee, Linda Li, Poem Lin, Jamie Liu, Nolan Liu, Victor Lo, Sarah Markmann, Carter Mott, Kailee Mott, Shinjini Mukherjee, Michael Sun, Jun Sung Tak, Josh Wang, Angela Xiao and Jason Zhang.

As always the coaches — David Cole, Johnny Bao, Suann Sun, Sandy Elder, George Carpouzis, Pat Lu, Jon Biros, Maria

Velasco, Andy Jin, Tony Cao, Olesya Boyko and Tessa Alden — appreciated our dedicated swimmers, parents, and volunteers for their support at this meet.

Over the previous weekend, February 26-27, the SAS Puxi campus hosted the 2nd Annual SISAC / CISSA Shanghai Swim Championships. The 11 hour day of swimming was characterized by perhaps the most consistent record-breaking times achieved in a Shanghai International Schools' meet. With the top six swimmers in each age group of each gender competing in this meet, the SAS campuses swam away with the majority of the awards.

### Age group award recipients:

- **Girls' 8 & Under:** Megan Wang SASPx 1st, Maria Williams SMIC 2nd & Talia Hope SASPd 3rd
- **Boys' 8 & Under:** Jeremy Ng SSIS 1st, Se Hyun Cho SASPx 2nd, & Royce Shey SASPx 3rd
- **Girls' 9-10:** Sophia Miller SCIS 1st, Kym Pang SCIS 2nd & Tina Wang SASPx 3rd
- **Boys' 9-10:** Jun Sung Tak SASPx 1st, William Huang zx SASPx 2nd & Su Hyun Cho SASPx 3rd
- **Girls' 11-12:** Josephine Mah SASPx 1st, Meghan Ingram SASPd 2nd & Caitlin Ong DCS 3rd
- **Boys' 11-12:** Tristan So SASPx 1st,

William Meng SMIC 2nd & Jeremy Pang SCIS 3rd

- **Girls' 13-14:** Tessa Hart SASPd 1st, Angela Wu SASPd 2nd & Angela Cai SASPx 3rd
- **Boys' 13-14:** Michael Grenon SASPd 1st, Ben Schwietert BISSpx 2nd & Charles Yang SASPd 3rd
- **Girls' 15 & O:** Lydia Oldham SASPd 1st, Amy Parsons SASPd 2nd, Jessica Hao SASPd 3rd
- **Boys' 15 & O:** Raymond Song SASPx 1st, Fabien Ma SASPx 2nd, Christopher Chen SASPx 3rd

Next up is the International School of Bangkok Splash March 12-13, where our top swimmers will defend the 1st place title, competing with 14 other international schools from the Asian region. After that we have the Hong Kong Mantas meet April 9-10, SCIS Puxi meet April 23 and the closing meet of the school year the BIS Phuket meet May 14-15. If you are interested in traveling to these meets contact your coaches and check the blogs for details.

Puxi at: <http://aquaticscenter.saschina.org/>  
Pudong at: <http://teachers.saschina.org/pdswimming/>

## SISAC / CISSA Swim Championships Combined Team Scores Top 6 of 13 teams

### Place and Team Points

1. Shanghai American School Puxi	732
2. Shanghai American School Pudong	546
3. Shanghai Community Inter School	237
4. SMIC International School	128
5. Suzhou Singapore International School	112
6. Dulwich College Shanghai	71

### Boys Top 3 teams:

1. Shanghai American School Puxi	431
2. Shanghai American School Pudong	220
3. Shanghai Community Inter School	110

### Girls Top 3 Teams:

1. Shanghai American School Pudong	326
2. Shanghai American School Puxi	301
3. Shanghai Community Inter School	127



EAGLE photo by Jeanette Dixon

March 18, 2011

# SAS' CISSA shuttlers smash their way to an all-SAS final

By Lou **WEGENER**, CISSA Coordinator, SAS Puxi Campus

Badminton is a very popular sport in Asia as well as with our CISSA middle school students. On Saturday, March 12, the Eleventh Annual CISSA Badminton Tournament was held at three sites with nearly 350 students from 18 CISSA schools taking part.

SAS' shuttlers performed quite well as in past years. The senior boys' championship, which was hosted by the French School, was an all SAS final with Roland Chen, a very skillful player from SAS Pudong, defeating SAS Puxi's talented Leo Tsai who had also been undefeated prior to the final.

The senior girls' tournament played at SSIS Shanghai ended up with a player from SCIS Hangzhou taking first and SSIS Suzhou's player finishing second. Rachel Chew from SAS Puxi reached the quarterfinal round which was quite notable considering the quality of the female players this year.

The boys' junior division tournament, hosted by SAS Puxi, had 90 boys participating, and in the end it came down to a player from Livingston American School defeating SAS Puxi's Michael Hong in a well-played championship match by both lads.

SAS Puxi's students performed their very best, however, in the junior girls' tournament which was also held at SAS Puxi. Three of our girls finished in the top five. Yvonne Shen lost to a player from Concordia in the final. Louise Miao won her consolation match to finish third. Angela Hsu, perhaps our best junior player, only lost one match all day, but, unfortunately, that was to the eventual champion from Concordia in a closely contested 16-14 result, so she ended up placing fifth.

This tournament personified the goals of the CISSA program as everyone played equal amounts of time, participants made new friends and left with smiles on their faces, and everyone had the opportunity to improve their skills while being physically active.

The SAS coaches (see sidebar) did an admirable job supervising and encouraging our players in addition to lending a big hand to the site coordinators to ensure that the tournaments ran smoothly.

Finally, a big "hats off" goes to Karen Chow and her Puxi PTSA moms for once again providing healthy snacks which were quickly consumed and enjoyed by all of our players and coaches.



**PHOTOS:** Top—Roland Chen; Middle—Leo Tsai and Roland Chen, the two finalists in the sr boys division. Left— Angela Hsu, Rachel Chew, Leo Tsai, Michael Hong, Louise Miao, Yvonne Shen. Left photo by Andrew Marks.

## SAS Badminton Coaches

### SAS Puxi Campus:

Barbara Murtha, Andy Marks, Venus Marks, Lou Wegener

### SAS Pudong Campus:

Michael Saich, Isabella Sun, Huiney Xu



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## MUSEUM, from page 14

After going to the exhibit, students went to Xintiandi, ate lunch, hung around and some even discussed art! Unfortunately, the Biennale Art Exhibit unexpectedly departed Shanghai before the Grade 6 students could enjoy it, but they saw a different exhibit of still life paintings at the same museum instead.

The Biennale opened the students' eyes to a new kind of modern art outside of the school. Breaking down the four walls of the classroom and seeing art in a different perspective was a great experience for the 7th and 8th graders.

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## Pudong Campus

By  
**Todd Parham**  
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### Upcoming HIGH SCHOOL Activities:

- March 18:** CISS Cup Badminton @ CISS - Time/Schedule TBA
- March 26:** SISAC DI 7aside Championships - Location/Schedule - TBD
- March 29:** SISAC Soccer game away @ CISS
  - Varsity Boys only - game start at 4:15pm
- March 31:** SISAC Practice Track & Field Meet @ SAS PD - 4:30pm start
- March 31:** SISAC Soccer Game Away @ CISS
  - Varsity Girls only - game start at 4:15pm
- April 1:** CHINA CUP Badminton @ SAS PX - Scheduled TBA
- April 2:** SISAC DI 11 aside Soccer Championships @ SAS PX & BISS PX
- April 6:** HS Varsity Badminton @ Home vs. CISS - 4:15 start
- April 6:** SISAC Soccer Games @ Home vs. YCIS PD
  - DII 7 aside Boys and Girls games start @ 4:30pm
- April 7-8:** HS Relay Life Walkathon, 8am Thursday to 8am Friday
- April 9:** SISAC Track & Field @ SAS PD, schedule TBA
- April 9:** SISAC Badminton Championships @ SSIS, schedule TBA
- April 13-17:** APAC Season Three Sports, schedule TBA
  - Girls ALL APAC Soccer @ SAS PX
  - Boys ALL APAC Soccer @ CISS
  - Girls Softball @ CA
  - Badminton @ SAS PD
  - Track & Field @ ISB
- April 16:** SISAC DII 7 aside Soccer Championships, location TBD

### Upcoming Elementary School Activities:

- March 18:** ES ASA Session Three Packets go home to all Parents
- April 1:** ALL ES ASA Packets DUE back to the Activities Office

Please check out our new activities blog <http://teachers.saschina.org/pdactivities/>

## Puxi Campus

By  
**Steve Doleman**  
Puxi Campus  
Activities  
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### Upcoming Events:

- Bangkok Invitational Swimming**, Saturday, March 19 @ ISBangkok
- SISAC Soccer**, Tuesday, March 29
  - D1 Girls: SASPX vs. BISSPX @ BISS, 4pm
- Wednesday, March 30:
  - D1 Girls SASPX JV vs. Rego @ SASPX, 4.30pm
  - D1 Boys SASPX JV1 vs. SASPX JV2, 4.30pm
- China Cup, April 1-3**
  - Badminton @ SASPX
  - Softball @ HKIS
  - Soccer at ISB
  - Track & Field @ Brent
- SISAC Soccer Championships, April 2**
  - D1 11 aside at SASPX/BISSPX
- SISAC Championships, April 9**
  - Track and Field @ SASPD
  - Badminton @ Suzhou
- HS Prom, April 9**
- APAC 3rd Season Sports**
  - Girls Soccer Super Tournament @ SASPX
  - Boys Soccer Super Tournament @ CISS
  - Softball @ CA
  - Badminton @ SASPD
  - Track and Field @ ISB
- 3rd Season Sports Awards/Athlete of the Year**  
May 13 @ PAC, 6.00pm

## FILM NOIR, con't from page 24

Defeated, Shep, Lefty, Sing-Sing and the Hotdog Brothers led the girls back to the office. Tootsie noticed Shep popping jellybeans. She asked for one, but Shep was fresh out of pink ones. He offered her a green one instead. Tootsie and Teensie cautiously tried their first green jellybeans ever. They loved them and promptly decided to get rid of all their pink and buy green things instead. They panicked, however, when reminded that their favorite food (strawberry ice-cream) isn't green.

Shep and the SAS students explained to the girls that variety is the spice of life. People and things come in all different

# menu

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## March 21-25: Spring Break. NO SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
March 28	March 29	March 30	March 31	April 1
Macaroni Cabonara Roasted Nueremburger sausage Steamed potatoes Mixed green vegetable	Mild chicken curry ES: Tuna w/ mixed salad panini Sautéed pork w/ mushroom creamy sauce Spinach, butter, rice Sautéed green beans	Pan-fried fish filet w/ sweet & sour sauce Au gratin chicken onion w/ bread crumb Parsley, rice Green vegetables	Sautéed pork w/ pineapple & lemon grass ES: Cheese pizza Roasted chicken leg in BBQ sauce Steamed rice Cauliflower with carrots	Roasted beef w/ gravy Fried kimchi, rice Roasted pumpkin & carrots
<b>Vegetarian</b>				
Vegetable fajita	Spinach quiche	Bok Choy fried noodles	Fried rice w/ lentils and curry	Pizza, salad
<b>Dessert</b>				
Cranberry pudding	Marble cake	Cream profiteroles w/ caramel	Fruit, jelly	Apples & cinnamon strudel

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
April 4	April 5	April 6	April 7	April 8
<b>No school</b>  <b>TOMB SWEEPING HOLIDAY OBSERVED</b>	Sweet and Sour Chicken Pork curry w/ vegetables Grilled ham 'n cheese sandwich Parsley, rice Sautéed carrots w/ garlic and ginger	Fish filet w/ leek & dill ES: Fish fingers Sautéed beef w/ mashed potato topping Corn and beans, rice/ roast potatoes Bok choy	Sautéed chicken w/ mushroom cream Sautéed pork, fajita style Steamed rice Mixed sautéed buttered veggies	<b>No school for students.</b> <b>Parent-teacher conferences.</b>  <b>EUREST will have set menu stand open in cafeteria for parents, et al.</b>
	Veggie burger	Curry leek and eggs	Omelet	
	Lemon & orange cake	Popsicle	Brownies	

Eurest Cafeteria Phone Extensions: Pudong Campus — 3293 or 3290; Puxi Campus — 2561

PHOTOS: Page 23— TOP: Wrenzi Wrzesinski and Elizabeth Bugenske as Teensie and Tootsie Trouble; INSET PHOTOS (clockwise from top left): Beven Dolon, Justin Jin, Calen Burgess and Carl Zahn as the Hotdog Brothers; cast members Kirsten Cuenko, Aja Nakai and Hallie Bradner; Martin Ginesta as Shep; MCs and cast members Leina Hsu, Sunny Park, Claire Huang and Sarah Cho; soloist Claire Petridge.

EAGLE photos by Jeanette Dixon and Amy Hossack.

# UPCOMING EVENTS @ SAS

MARCH — Pudong Campus		MARCH — Puxi Campus	
18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ES and MS report cards sent home</li> <li>◆Visiting photographer, Jan Latta</li> </ul>	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆MS: Report cards go home with students</li> </ul>
21-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆SPRING BREAK—NO SCHOOL</li> </ul>	21-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆SPRING BREAK—NO SCHOOL</li> </ul>
31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆PTSA General Meeting and Luncheon at Madame Zhu's restaurant, Jinqiao, 11:30am</li> <li>◆MS Book Club, 12:20-2:15 Grade 6 Commons area</li> </ul>	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆American Invitational Math Exam</li> <li>◆HS Mid-semester reports sent home</li> </ul>
		31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ES Passport Re-check</li> <li>◆MS Counselor Coffee, 10am, Admin Conference Room</li> </ul>
APRIL — Pudong Campus		APRIL — Puxi Campus	
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Grade 5 Parents "Welcome to Middle School" Program, 10-10:30am in the LLH</li> </ul>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ES Report cards go home</li> </ul>
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆NO SCHOOL—Tomb Sweeping Holiday observed</li> </ul>	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆NO SCHOOL—Tomb Sweeping Holiday observed</li> </ul>
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ES Day Without Shoes</li> <li>◆MS presentation for Grade 5 parents, LLH, 9-10:30am</li> </ul>	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆MS Parent Conferences, 3:30-5:30pm at MS Gym</li> </ul>
7-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Relay for Life, 8am-8am</li> </ul>	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆MS Parent Conferences, 8am-3:30pm at MS Gym</li> <li>◆Jin Xing Dance Shanghai Tango, 7:30pm at the PAC</li> </ul>
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆HS Conferences, 3:20-5:30pm</li> </ul>	12-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ERB testing</li> </ul>
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆HS Conferences, 8am-2:30pm</li> </ul>	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆MS Principal Coffee, 10am at Lecture Hall (LMC)</li> </ul>
11-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ERB</li> </ul>	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Grade 3 Concert, 9am Performing Arts Center</li> <li>◆Grade 5 Parent Night, 6pm, Performing Arts Center</li> </ul>
14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆APAC Opening Ceremony</li> <li>◆MS Counselor coffee morning, Pistolera restaurant, Jinqiao, 9-11am</li> <li>◆ES Treat Day, Grades 1 and 4</li> </ul>	15-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Strategic Planning Measurement Team Meeting #1</li> </ul>
15-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Strategic Planning Measurement Team Meeting #1</li> </ul>	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Strategic Planning Action Team Meeting #1</li> </ul>
15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ES Class Placement Letter Home</li> <li>◆Family Digital Literacy Event, 3-5:30pm</li> <li>◆Pre-K, K, 1 Concert &amp; 2nd Grade Concert</li> </ul>	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Advancement Committee meeting</li> </ul>
17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Strategic Planning Action Team Meeting #1</li> </ul>	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ES Parent Coffee, 9am Project Area</li> <li>◆ES Parent to Parent Meeting, 10:30am</li> </ul>
18-22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆MS MAP Testing</li> </ul>	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Passport Check</li> </ul>
18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Advancement Committee meeting</li> </ul>	22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆PK-2 Assembly, 8:20-9:00 Performing Arts Center</li> </ul>
20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆SAS READS!, 8:15-9:15am</li> <li>◆Grade 5 Track and Field</li> </ul>	23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆SAS Gala at YongFoo Elite</li> </ul>
21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Grade 4 Track and Field</li> </ul>	24-29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆MS China Alive trips</li> </ul>
22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Grades 3-4 Concerts</li> <li>◆Track and Field Make-up date</li> <li>◆MS Myg Nite</li> </ul>	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ES 3rd ASA starts</li> </ul>
23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆SAS Gala at Yongfoo Elite</li> </ul>	26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Passport Recheck</li> </ul>
28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆MS Book Club, 12:20-2:15 Grade 6 Commons area</li> </ul>	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Grade 1 Concert, 9am, Performing Arts Center</li> <li>◆China Alive Gr. 3-5</li> </ul>
29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆Due for Class Placement Request Form</li> </ul>	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆China Alive Gr. PK-2</li> </ul>

## SETHI, con't from page 20

dening save a few mint plants we preserved for the club. Now determined more than ever, we have rebuilt our garden program, hoping to restore it to its former state.

Sethi attended our Roots & Shoots meeting after her speech, and spoke with many of our members and project managers. She asked us about what inspired us to work toward a greener environment, and asked us about our passion for the environment. She was very observant, and very respectful and polite

while learning about our projects. All of what we had worked toward in the club impressed her, which I know will fuel our determination and feed our inspiration even more.

Overall, simply having such a well-known individual and avid protector of the environment was an honor for our school and our club. Now we hope to work on even bigger thing in an effort to make a mark in the Green movement.