

# Weekly NEWSLETTER

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## Message from The Principal



World Languages week has been a delight here at school this week as we celebrate the diversity of languages and cultures that we are privileged to enjoy. I especially enjoyed the Primary assembly, calligraphy lessons and a staff and parents *Bachata* dance workshop.

Thank you to all of our parents who have completed the parent survey so far. We have only had 24 responses though and I would really like us to hit 90% so please spare a few minutes to tell us what you think. Here is the [link](#).

There are several parent workshops next week for Primary and Secondary (see the bulletin for details)

Finally, a shout out to our fantastic PTF who once again turned out in great numbers to support our Primary sports day on Monday and kept the learners (and adults) well supplied with food and drink. You are the best!

# Primary

Our annual Sports Day was a fantastic event filled with excitement, friendly competition, and incredible participation from all learners. Held on a bright and sunny day, the school field was alive with energy as learners from the Upper Primary showcased their sporting skills.



The learners took part in a variety of races, including sprints, obstacle courses, and relay races. Not only that, they showed fantastic performance in the field events too. Everyone gave their best effort, cheered on by their friends, teachers, and parents who came to support.



The competitive spirit was high, but the most important part of the day was the joy and enthusiasm displayed by all participants. Whether they won a medal or not, every learner showed determination, resilience, and great sportsmanship.



Medals were awarded to outstanding performers. However, the biggest achievement was the smiles on everyone's faces and the memories created throughout the day. A huge thank you to our teachers, staff, and parents who helped organize and support this amazing event. Well done to all the learners for making Sports Day a truly fun and unforgettable experience! We can't wait for next year's event!



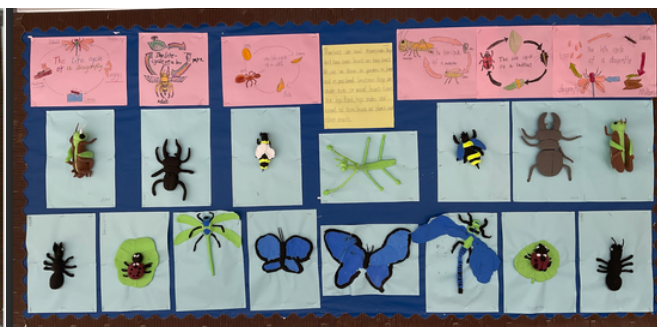
# Primary

## Forest School

Year 6x and the Foundation English Class enjoyed their sessions up in the Nexus Rainforest. They have been learning how to light and manage a fire safely. How to tie various knots and create structures. They have even been using saws to cut logs for the fire. Perhaps the most important aspect of these sessions is the connections they are making with their class mates and with the natural environment.



Primary FEP has been learning about minibeasts recently. Minibeasts are small invertebrates. It has been great to see some real minibeasts while at Forest School! Not only have we been learning about the body parts, the habitats, life cycles and food chains but we have been doing some art work. FEP chose a minibeast to draw and also made a clay model of it. The art work was so good that we put them out on our display board and we shared them at the weekly assembly.





# Primary

## Mother Tongue Week

This week Nexus celebrated Mother Tongue Week. It was not only a chance for learners to share the languages they speak at home, but to have a go at learning a new language. Throughout the week, learners have been involved in fun activities that exposed them to new words and through a variety of learning activities. During the Spotlight on Learning assembly, each year group did a short creative presentation to showcase their learning of a new language.

The Assembly was hosted by our confident year 6 learners with the help from our FEP teacher Mr Rob and our Intensive English Teacher, Ms Karen.



During the Primary Spanish classes, learners were introduced to Peruvian culture and got to sing and play with traditional instruments. Meanwhile, other LOTE classes got the opportunity to do some traditional calligraphy and weaving.





# Secondary

Recently, the Year 10 IGCSE geography students swapped the classroom for the coastline as part of an educational and engaging geography fieldwork experience at Cape Rachado, near Port Dickson. This wasn't just another lesson, it was a chance to get hands-on with real-world geography, collecting primary data and putting their skills to the test in a dynamic coastal environment.

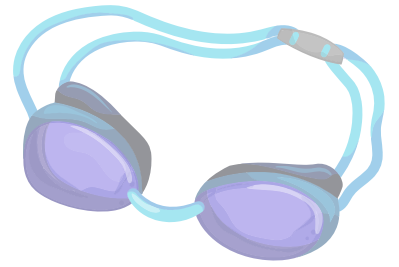
Armed with measuring equipment and keen observation skills, the students carried out a beach profile survey, analyzing the gradient of the shore, studying sediment characteristics, and tracking longshore drift. These investigations weren't just about taking measurements, they also shed light on how erosion, deposition, and sediment transport continuously reshape the coastline, influencing everything from beach formation to long-term changes in coastal landscapes.

The field trip was not only academically valuable but also an enjoyable experience in which learners embraced the opportunity to work outdoors in a stunning coastal setting, experiencing geography come to life beyond the classroom. Overall, the trip to Cape Rachado was a great success, reinforcing their understanding of coastal processes while providing a memorable day of geographic investigation and discovery.





# Boarding



## Dive in! Nexus Boarding Swimming Program has started!

On Monday evening we started our Prep time Swimming Program trial in Boarding. Our Boarders in Y 6, 7 and 8 enjoyed expert coaching from professionals, whatever their level of swimming skills. The 6 week trial will show how swimming can improve our health, concentration, strength and fun. We will share the end feedback and progress with you all.





# Boarding

## What do you do in a weekend?

We are often asked what our Boarders do over a weekend so we love to share pictures and details of our activities. A careful mix of activity, study and relaxation gives us all a great balance.



Last Saturday we....

- 7.30am Early morning TV, snacks and games in our device-free time
- 10.00am Brunch and cooking skills
- 11.30am Coffee and ice-cream in the local village
- 12.30pm Shopping for our new gardening activity
- 2.00pm Cooked ourselves late lunch
- 3.00pm Active in our sports hall
- 5.00pm Teamwork special hot-dogs dinner and our 'Amazing Race'
- 7.00pm Movie time and a chance to order in our favourite treats

**This weekend we have:**

**Friday PM**

**MUN on campus begins**

**Village shopping & Movie night**

**Saturday**

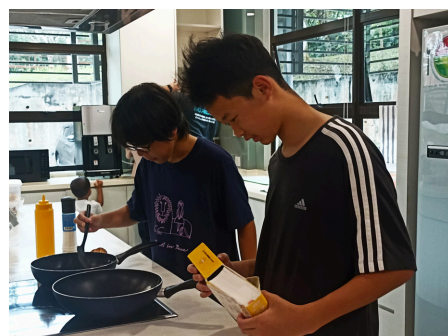
**MUN on campus all day**

**Excursion to 10 pin bowling & shopping**

**Sunday**

**MUN on campus**

**Excursion to see 'Captain America'**



## Team sports show leadership

We were thrilled that after giving such an early start to their badminton team commitments on Saturday, five of our Boarders returned with their team mates to show us their success. Well done to Zhea Yu, En Xi, Liv, Sehyeon and Lexi for showing that early mornings, regular effort and resilience do pay off. We were so proud to celebrate you all during our 'Celebration of Leadership' in our meeting this week.



# Sports



## AIMS Sport update

What a fantastic season it's been for our basketball and athletics teams at the recent AIMS events! We've witnessed incredible displays of talent, teamwork, and sportsmanship, and we're incredibly proud of all our athletes.

### U15 Boys Basketball: Bronze Medal Triumph!

A huge congratulations to our U15 Boys Basketball team who fought their way to a well-deserved 3rd place finish! Their dedication and hard work throughout the tournament were evident, and their bronze medal is a testament to their skill and determination shown throughout the year. They played with passion and represented our school with pride. Well done, boys!



Our U15 Girls Basketball team also demonstrated their talent and resilience, finishing in a commendable 5th place. They faced tough competition but played with heart and improved with every game. We're incredibly proud of their efforts and the progress they made throughout the tournament.

### Secondary AIMS Athletics: Individual and Team Glory!

Our athletes shone brightly at the Secondary AIMS Athletics Championships, achieving numerous individual and team successes. Our students pushed their limits and achieved remarkable results with some achieving personal bests in their respected events. It was a fantastic display of athleticism, and we congratulate all our track and field stars!



### Double Delight for U11 Football!

A huge congratulations to both our U11 Boys and Girls football teams on their fantastic performances at the recent AIMS competition! Both teams displayed incredible teamwork, skill, and sportsmanship throughout the tournament. The boys fought hard and demonstrated some impressive attacking play, while the girls showed fantastic defensive resilience and determination. We are incredibly proud of all the players and their coaches for their dedication and effort. Well done to everyone involved!



### A Community Effort:

These successes are not just down to the athletes themselves. They are also a reflection of the hard work and dedication of our coaches, the support of our parents, and the encouragement of the entire school community. Thank you to everyone who played a part in making this AIMS season so successful.

We are immensely proud of all our athletes and their achievements. They have represented our school with distinction and embodied the true spirit of sportsmanship. We look forward to celebrating their accomplishments at our upcoming sports assembly.



# 2025 INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AWARDS



# WINNER



Dear Parents,

We are thrilled to announce that we were recognised by ISC Research as a recipient of the 2025 International School Award (ISA) for our Global Goals Day initiative!

ISC Research is a globally respected organisation that provides data and insights on international schools, and the International School Awards honour innovative practices in schools supporting the needs of a changing world.

Selected from over 200 international school applications, this award highlights our unwavering commitment to fostering global citizenship and engaging both our internal community and external partners in meaningful, action-driven learning experiences.

Thank you for your support and commitment in making the Nexus Community a wonderful place to be!