

Weekly NEWSLETTER

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Message from The Principal



Embracing Diversity was truly at the heart of our celebrations on Thursday as the entire Nexus community came together for a spectacular Lunar New Year celebration (One of our best ever!). Our fantastic PTF outdid themselves, creating a lively carousel of food and activities in the MPR, while our talented teachers and learners, led by the LOTE department, delivered two outstanding assemblies. As is tradition the whole school watched a great Lion Dance, which delighted everyone in the Early Years area.

On a personal note, I thoroughly enjoyed making my final appearance as the Face Changer in the assemblies. It's a tradition that I hope will carry on with the same joy and energy in the years to come.

Wishing everyone a wonderful break and a Happy Lunar New Year to all who are celebrating.

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David Griffiths

Primary



Happy Year of the Snake!

We have had a busy week culminating in a Lunar New Year Assembly, traditional Lion Dance and activities for our Curriculum Day put on by our wonderful PTF! Thank you to all involved. Check out the face changing dance by our 'Mystery' performer by scanning the QR code below.

Have a fantastic Lunar New Year. We wish you health and prosperity in the Year of the Snake and we look forward to seeing you after the break.



Primary



Secondary

We had a tremendous couple of days of music making as Nexus Hosted the Fobisia Battle of the Bands competition: 42 bands from international schools across Asia competing in front of a panel of music professionals and celebrities. And the 42 finalists had had to beat stiff competition to make it this far! On Friday the event kicked off with a range of workshops to help all musicians with their performance skills. This was a fantastic opportunity to get some real insights from experts in music, song and choreography. On Saturday the theatre was full as over 400 guests - bands and their supporters - enjoyed a fantastic show. Nexus did incredibly well with both of our bands - Jinalicious and Sound Cheque - receiving gold awards in their age groups. Well done to Mr Dave, Ms Belle, our music teachers as well as a huge number of other staff who helped put together this wonderful event.



Secondary

This week we also enjoyed our Lunar New Year celebration with the traditional Lion Dance as well as festive assembly where we enjoyed a range of performances and learned more about the how the new year is celebrated. As always, the food, drinks and activities provided by the PTF were very popular and added to everyone's enjoyment of the day.

CCAs started up this week and one new addition is the Pickleball CCA which is happening at Nexus on Tuesday morning before school at 7am in the Sports Hall. Pickleball is one of the fastest growing racquet sports in the world! It is a combination of badminton and table tennis and is extremely easy and fun to learn and play. Any age and ability level are welcome and will be able to play almost straight away. Interested learners can contact Mr Piers.



Boarding

Lunar New Year cooking

We all got busy in the kitchen this week to learn to make lucky dishes to celebrate Lunar New Year. Some of us worked on our appetisers of fresh egg lettuce cups and others learned skills to put together a great vegetarian noodle dish.

Well done, everyone!



Boarding

Ice-skating and treats

A group of our younger Boarders enjoyed a day out with their teachers this weekend to try ice-skating and then relax together with some well-earned treats. Weekends are very special times for all of us and we really appreciate our teachers giving their time to get to know us outside the classroom. Thank you this week for Ms Kate and Mr Brian for ice-skating and Ms Karen and Ms Amy for supervising a great day trip to iOi Mall on Sunday.



Celebration of Leadership

This week in our House meeting we celebrated the leadership of five of our Boarders.

Irene and JiaTong represented Nexus by performing in their bands during 'Battle of the Bands' which was a huge event for our school. Both Nexus bands received awards and recognition for their efforts.

As huge events like this need so much work and support behind the scenes, we were very proud that Athena, Ashley and En Xi were part of the great team assisting all over the weekend.



Swimming starts soon ...

We look forward to a great new addition to Boarding Prep time after the holiday when we will offer dedicated swimming activities for Boarders in Y6-8. Monday evening will become swim night where we will learn essential swimming confidence through strengthening which will improve our posture, confidence and strength...as well as preparing our brains for more learning!

Happy Lunar New Year!

We wish all of our Boarders and families a happy and safe Lunar New Year break.

Boarding will re-open

Sunday 2 February at 3.00pm

Sports



Term 2 Sport Kicks Off with a Bang!

Welcome back to Term 2! It's been a whirlwind start to the sporting calendar here at Nexus, with our students already displaying incredible dedication and teamwork across a range of disciplines.

Netball Success at AIMS!

A huge congratulations to our U15 Netball team who competed in the AIMS competition, hosted right here at Nexus! The girls played with fantastic spirit and skill, securing a well-deserved 5th place finish. This is a fantastic achievement, and we are incredibly proud of their efforts. Well done, team!

Basketball Teams Take to the Court

Our U18 Boys and Girls Basketball teams have also been in action, competing at IGBIS and Taylors KL respectively. The competition was fierce, and our teams demonstrated great sportsmanship and determination. The boys finished 6th and the girls coming in 5th place.



Primary Football Friendly at KTJ

Our primary football teams enjoyed a fantastic opportunity to test their skills in a friendly fixture against KTJ. These matches are invaluable for developing teamwork and match experience, and we thank KTJ for hosting us.

Primary Swimmers Make a Splash at Epsom

Our talented primary swimmers also made a splash at a friendly meet held at Epsom College. It was a great chance for our young athletes to showcase their talent and gain valuable experience in a competitive environment.

CCA Programme in Full Swing

As well as these exciting fixtures, our CCA (Co-Curricular Activities) timetable is now fully underway, offering a wide range of opportunities for students to participate in various sports and activities. We encourage all students to get involved and discover new passions.



It's been an incredibly busy and exciting start to Term 2 sport, and we look forward to supporting all our athletes throughout the term. Stay tuned for more updates on upcoming fixtures and results!

Go Nexus!