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Best Wishes to K3!

As we near the end of term, our K3 students are preparing for the move into Prep School. With the close of three years' study in Pre School, the children will move into a learning environment of greater independence, responsibility, challenge, rigour and opportunity. This week, K3 children came to BMH Prep School for a tour lead by teachers. They played with Prep School children together, including outdoor activities and football, experienced cookery in the Learning Kitchen, and had breakfast in the Dining Hall with Prep school children. They had a taste of school life as a Prep School student. We have confidence in their great success and bright future as they move forward.



School Community



Puberty Education in Upper Prep

As our school develops, so too do our students. Our older students are reaching puberty and, as such, our School Doctor, Teachers and Head of School have been teaching both students and parents about how to manage these physical, physiological and psychological changes. Last week, Prep 5 parents took part in a collaborative Coffee Morning workshop, talking through the lesson content to be shared with students and with parents offering their ideas for additions to the sessions. This week our School Doctor, Ms May Zhang, Mr Ryan Sullivan and Ms Anna Packman delivered lessons to the Prep 5 students which were well received. Further sessions about Sex Education, health, hygiene, privacy and protection, relationships and Sex and Life will be conducted as students move from Prep 5 into Prep 6. Our aim is to inform our students to help them be confident, self-aware, informed and uphold appropriate behaviour as they move from childhood, to adolescence.

Shenzhen Heads Meeting

Schools around Shenzhen are connecting through their Heads of School to build relationships between school communities across the city. Today Ms Anna Packman represented Bromsgrove School Mission Hills during the Shenzhen Heads Meeting which took place at GOS in Futian, and will be hosted on a rotational basis at different schools on a regular basis. Head Teachers discussed different ways schools could collaborate including through student competitions and learning experiences, and through staff training and development opportunities. Discussions also included Digital Citizenship and Child Protection and Safeguarding procedures within and between schools. Connecting our Heads of School around Shenzhen allows us to build on good practice, share innovative ideas and expand our learning community for the betterment of all those at BMH and schools across the city. We look forward to a fruitful future with enhanced shared knowledge and experiences.

BMH Spring Football Tournament

On 18th of May (Saturday) Bromsgrove School Mission Hills (BMH) will host the First Spring Football Tournament .

Date: 18th May (Saturday),8:45-11:45am

Venus: BMH natural grass field

Participants:

Xingzhi Experimental School

Zhenneng Primary School

Bromsgrove School Mission Hills

The competition will take place at our natural grass field located in the opposite side of the Pre School, estimated time is 3 hours (from 8:45am to 11:45am), and only allowed for students under 11 to participate. SISAC rules will be applied, SISAC soccer Games will follow official FIFA rules for Junior (Prep/Primary) Schools. Welcome students and parents come to watch the game.

Upcoming Events

Event: Coffee Morning

Date: Thursday 23rd May

Time: 8:45-9:45am

Information:

In Prep School we will host the PGA who will visit to talk about Golf and its impact and benefits for your child's future.

In Pre School our K1 Team will be working with parents on how to begin preparing your child to become a writer as they move into K2.

PRE Location: 4th floor Bamboo

PREP Location: Kapok Atrium



Teaching Responsibility

As we edge nearer to the end of the school year and our students begin to make that transition to the next grade, you might think of additional ways to help support your child become more responsible. Learning to handle responsibility is an ongoing process for children, it is a vital trait for success in school and in life. Recognising that the outcome of your day to day life is a product of your decisions is what accepting personal responsibility is all about. We can begin to teach them responsibility from a young age, enabling them to be empowered and resilient as they grow up.

Here are some ways to help:

1. Be a role model by showing them what 'responsibility' looks like by following through on your own obligations and commitments, being on time for appointments, and accepting accountability for your mistakes instead of making excuses or blaming others.
2. Encourage you children to help out at home by allocating them with set jobs and chores. This helps children prove to themselves that they are valued and dependable members of the family. You will be surprised to see how capable your child is at doing various tasks around the home!
3. Provide opportunities for them to make decisions. The best way to develop this skill in children is to offer them plenty of practice to use smart choices. Start with small decisions ("Do you want to have your snack before or after you do your homework?") and work up to more complex issues ("How can you manage your commitments to school, a club, and a team?").
4. Create a culture of community service by allowing them to find ways to help others. For example, can they help elderly or younger members in your community? How can they help care for the environment?
5. Teach organisation and time management by introducing your child to tools like to-do lists, calendars, and checklists. These can be utilised when getting ready for school, swimming class or even a holiday.