



HIS Newsletter

HANGZHOU

Mission: Our mission is to provide all our students with opportunities to pursue academic and personal excellence in a nurturing, international community environment.

Important Upcoming Events

Oct.31-Nov 4: A Week

Oct. 31: Start of Session 2 ASAs - any additional sign ups in lower school must be

Nov. 3: HIS Live Music Show

Nov. 18 HIS Art Exhibition Inauguration

Nov. 23: HIS-SCIS Gala Ball (Shanghai)

Student Assisted Conferences -

The student-assisted conferences last week were a wonderful success. The administration has received many favorable comments from parents, especially in the upper school, of how much they appreciated hearing their child's voice in the conversation. The most important person in the dialogue regarding student success is - the student. We will continue to develop these conferences in the future. Considering the fact that we had nearly 100 per cent parent attendance as opposed to less than 40% of upper school parents attending and nearly 100% of students were able to attend their scheduled conferences there is no doubt that the main objective, to examine student learning including the perspective of the most important person, the student, and involving their parents was achieved.

It is very important that parents remember that if you or your child have any specific concerns regarding a class etc. that there are literally 180 days in the school year where you can set up a pre-arranged meeting with any teacher. Of course please establish this with the teacher in advance as to time and day. You also can always contact a teacher to clarify anything etc. via email. All teachers' email addresses are accessible via the school website, individual teacher webpages, Powerschool and if all else fails through the office.

HIS Live Music Concert

Mark your Agendas

Nov. 3rd HIS LIVE ! - Upper School Music Performance.

All students in music class this semester will be involved in the program. Come and enjoy the show. 7:00 PM Performance Centre - hottest show in town!

HIS Adds More ASAs for Second Session!

We have just added one more After School Activity for Middle School Students - Table Tennis or Ping Pong. For complete details please go to Powerschool to register. We have placed videos to show you how to sign up for ASAs on Powerschool on the HIS website. Location: Performance Space, Days Wednesdays. There will be a tournament in November!

After School Activities Meeting Locations (Lower School):

Chinese Calligraphy B210
 English Conversation Club B201
 Homework Club B101
 Croquet – Blue Top
 Ballet – Dance Room
 Kickball – Blue Top
 Dragon Strings B 312
 French Club A301
 Girl Scouts – ECE Art Room
 Karate – Dance Room
 TV Studio – B 309
 Party Dance – Dance Room
 PK – 2 Soccer – Blue Top
 Model Building – B102
 PK-2 Arts and Crafts ECE Art Room
 3-5 Soccer Club Soccer Field
 Tennis – Meet at Front of School
 Skateboarding – Meet at Front of School

Survival Phrases in Chinese at HIS

Believe it or not you live in China and essential Mandarin phrases will come in handy. This month our Mandarin department is initiating a series of essential survival phrases in conjunction with the regular Mandarin program. The objective is for all students studying Mandarin to master these phrases in a grade/age appropriate manner. Parents are encouraged to learn these phrases also and practice them with their children. The Mandarin teachers are more than happy to help with pronunciation questions and we will continue our Adolescent and Adult Mandarin After School Activity in the second session.

This Week's Phrases:

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| 1. How much ? | duōshǎo qián ? |
| 2. How much does this cost ? | zhè gè duō shǎo qián ? |
| 3. How much does that cost ? | nà gè duō shǎo qián ? |
| 4. Too expensive | tài guì le |
| 5. A little cheaper (please). | Pián yi yī diǎn |
| 6. A little cheaper (please) Beijing Dialect | pián yi yī diǎn ér |
| 7. Please pass the chopsticks! | qǐng gěi wǒ kuài zi |
| 8. Please give me that | qǐng gěi wǒ nà gè |
| 9. Please give me napkins | qǐng gěi wǒ cān jīn zhǐ |
| 10. Please give me that cup | qǐng gěi wǒ nà gè bēi zǐ |
| 11. where is an internet café? | wǎng bā zài nǎ ? |

Second Week's Phrases

I don't understand.	Wǒ bù míngbái
I can't speak Chinese.	Wǒ bù huì shuō zhōngwén.
Can you speak English?	Nǐ huì shuō yīngyǔ ma.
Please say it again.	Qǐng zài shuō yībiàn.
Please say it more slowly	Qǐng shuō màn yīdiǎn.
I'm sorry, I feel bad	Bù hǎo yisī.
I am sorry. Excuse me.	Duì bùqǐ.
No problem.	Méi wèntí.
Excuse me	Láojià.

Third Week's Phrases

Welcome! (entering a business)	Huānyíng guānglín!
Thank you come again.	Huānyíng zàilái.
Thank you for coming!	Xiè xie guānglín!
How many people?	Jǐ ge rén?
Three	Sān ge.
One person.	Yī ge rén.
Waiter! Waitress!	Fúwù yuán!
This (please)	Zhè ge
I want this.	Wǒ yào zhè ge.
Check!	Mǎidān!
Next time I'll pay for you.	Xià yī cì wǒ qǐng nǐ.
Can I pay by credit card?	Wǒ kě yǐ yòng xìn yòng kǎ zhī fù ma ?



Scariest school in China!

If you had the chance to come to the school Friday night you would definitely agree that this is a school with a lot of spirit!!!

A Special Thank You,

Unfortunately I had my head run over by a runaway bus and do not remember if I came to the Halloween party or not but I hear it was excellent.

I asked the wonderful PAFA volunteers for a list of everyone who helped make this possible but the list just keeps getting longer and longer. So many people contribute so generously to so many activities at HIS throughout the year. At the risk of missing someone on behalf of the entire community I would like to thank everyone in general from the parent volunteers who gave enormous amounts of time and energy to create the haunted house, the student volunteers, teachers and parents who ran fortune telling centres and scared the living daylights out of people in the haunted house, to the students and parents who attended the event. Of course we also have a great group of maintenance and cleaning staff without whom all of this would be all that more difficult to achieve.

I have never worked in a school where parents are so actively and positively involved in our collective efforts to do the very best for the young people we all care so much about.

Thank you, please feel free to send photos so I can see what the party was like. The doctor predicts the titanium plate will only be in my head for a month!!

Mr.Ummmmmmmmmmmmmm

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PAFA Potter Museum Get-Together

The PAFA Social Committee organizes a get-together in the Pottery museum.


Details:

When: Tuesday 8 November 2011

Time: 09.30 – 11.30 (approx.)

Cost: 45 rmb per person

Where: No. 60 Nan Fu Road, Shangcheng District, Hangzhou (地址：杭州上城区南复路60号)



TRANSFORMATION

HIS STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

November 18 - December 2
November 18 opening 3-4pm
Art Exhibition Space (next to the library)

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date

11/03/11

location

PERFORMANCE SPACE

time

7:00 PM

Halloween Volunteer List - PAFA

Our amazing PAFA team would like to thank the following people for giving so much to the success of the Halloween party. The list is so long! If there are any misspellings or inaccuracy please forgive the error! The school seconds that thank you!

The Halloween team: Liz Egger, Jerry Joseph, Amy Nash and Julie Curley.

Finance: Freda Langemeier and Victoria Wu

The Shopping Teams: Mona Bapna, Conia Shum, Marina Gramann.

Decorating Teams: Liz Egger, Frances Huang, Irene, Karen, Conia, Minna, Isabel Kirsten, Andrea, Ruth, Cecilia, Yoshi (she had other Japanese ladies help her), other French ladies (again we do not know the names.)

Halloween Shop: Marina Gramann, Karin Lim, Irene Cheng, Andrea, Kirsten, Amanda

Costume Judging: Liz Egger (organizer), Judges: Katrina Lehman, Maranda Brunner, Nate Hudson and Don Swanbeck.

Posters: Sara and Misa

Gate: Steven Stankiwicz and Freda Langemeier

Cafeteria: Yoshie Kawasaki, Miki Nagatani, Sanae Motoe, and Yuko Watanabi

People roaming that night: Silvia Oussoren, Francis Spiekerman, Julie Curley

Haunted House set up: Jerry Joseph, Roger Yang, Amy Nash, Silvia Oussoren, Rich Meeman, Karen Meenan, Andrea Raeth, Minna Hiltunen, Paula Pohjolainen, Francis Spiekerman, Bella Mao, Yoshie Kawasaki

Haunted House entrance and crowd control: Fernanda, Joanna, David, Julie Curley, Ember Indhal, Steve Stankiwicz, Brook Ketchum and Doug Brunner (stories)

Haunted House make-up: Jannet Molina

Haunted House actors, crew, and guides: Amy Nash, Jerry Joseph, Thomas Luk, Thomas Robinson, Evan Weinberg, Maranda Brunner, Lance Fleenor, Dan Rooth, Kory Indahl, Ember Indahl, Deane Nash, Ryan Retting, Minna, Pauola, Roger Myers, Jannet Molina, Brook Ketchum, Head Injury Guy

Haunted House cloth donation: Rajni Aggarwal

Haunted House design: Jerry Joseph

Fortune tellers: Mary Rooth and Robin Urban

Fortune telling entrance: Jack Light and Joyce (Chinese American mother who just moved back to Hangzhou from the US)

Fortune telling set-up: Amy Nash, Silvia Oussoren, Meg van Dijk, Julie Curley, Joyce

Blue Top Games: Louise Rippon (Coordinator), Class Reps for Grade 2 to Grade 5: Rajni Aggarwal, Anu Metha, Marina Gramann, Sarah Phillips, Louise Rippon, Irene Cheng, Seema Khurana, Silvia Oussoren, Anouk Matthews, Charline Rossi, Diana Tan, and the parents from those classes. Each class was asked to provide a game for the night.

Activities in the Auditorium: Annie Sheffield (Coordinator), Class Reps for Grades Pre-K to Grade 1: Rajni Aggarwal, Sabine Langer, Yanti McErlean, Mariana Flocco, Natalie Manning, Meagan Dillon, Yukiko Mieske, Chaline Kapoor, Heidi Tse, Emma Hamilton, Devika Das, Lingli Jiajing, Zhao Ni, Meg van Dijk and the parents from those classes. Each grade was asked to provide an activity for the night. Josie Boudreaux (Face Painting).

Band: "Gummistiefel" consisting of Isaac Bender, the Moller brothers and Maddie Hah and Maiti Rooth. (Ms. Elizabeth Hah helped with warm ups.)

Maze night of party: Isabelle and Patrick Sabourin, Ruth Moller, Don Swanbeck

Maze set-up: Julie Ann Nugent-Head, Megan Dillon, Julie Curley, Brook Ketchum (supplies)

Maze design: Julie Curley

Trick or treat doors: Liz Hah and Pamela Campbell, Ember Indahl and Ryan Rettig, Suzanne Robinson, Jenny Wang, Cindy Xu and Lily Zhou, Beth Putnam and Dana Mamish

PAFA President: Francis Spiekerman. We could not have done it without her.

Personnel from School: Peggy, Sharon, Diego, Carlo, all the hard working cleaners, and Mr. van der Eyken and Kory giving the OK on everything!