

BaSICS NEWSLETTER

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Healthy Breakfast/ Gesundes Frühstück

PTG will be sponsoring a Healthy Breakfast on **Friday, June 22, 2012**. Please remember to send .50 with your children so that they may participate and purchase a healthy snack. The Healthy Breakfast will take place during snack time.

Am **Freitag den 22. Juni 2012** bietet PTG ein Gesundes Frühstück für die Schüler an. Bitte denken Sie daran, ihrem Kind dafür 50 Cent in die Schule mitzugeben. Das Gesunde Frühstück findet während der Snack time statt.

End of the Year Reminders

Next Thursday is the last day of school, with dismissal at 12:30pm. Please join us for an end of the year picnic sponsored by the PTG.

Please be sure to retrieve your children's belongings from the LOST AND FOUND, as they will be donated after next Thursday.

Holidays around the world.

To start the next school year off with a colourful splash of internationality, we'd love to display postcards from all around the world. When you are away on holiday over the summer, please send us a postcard and have your child write a message about what they notice about the culture of the place they are visiting.

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LIBRARY NEWS

There are now Year Book copies available in the main office for sale. It costs 23.25 Euros each. Please pay the money at the main office.

Also, please send all the library books from BaSICS library back with your children. Look for them in your houses and in your cars. Overdue slips will be coming home the next two weeks. Keep your eyes open for the Cherub series books by Robert Muchamore, which are Middle Years books. Many of them have been borrowed without checking them out. Here is the list of the missing Cherub series books:

The Sleepwalker

Divine Madness

Man Vs Beast

Brigands M.C

After the 22nd of June the library will be closed for borrowing. Quite a few library books are missing and we have to do an inventory. Therefore the students will not be able to borrow books over the summer.

Thank you for your understanding.

Julia Daniel

Communication Survey Results

Thank you for the parents who participated in the BaSICS Communication Survey, totaling about 27% of families. The majority of respondents represented children in the ELC and Primary Years, with a few from 6/7 grade families as well. There were no replies from parents of 8th and 9th grade students. Email communication was ranked as the most effective mode of general communication, with 88% of respondents marking its effectiveness as "Good" or "Excellent." While the Newsletter was not voted as the "one preferred method," it nevertheless had a 96% "Good" or "Excellent" rating of effectiveness. The majority of parents prefer information from BaSICS teachers once per week and a few expressed interest in a quick weekly update of classroom learning so that parents are able to reinforce concepts at home (for example, "this week we explored adding fractions."). We will share the information regarding the perceived effectiveness of portfolio sharing and individual appointments with classroom teachers in order to make improvements for the following school year. One great suggestion which can be easily implemented for the 2012-13 school year is a bulletin board for parents in the entry with event dates, a copy of the newsletter, and other related issues. Thank you again for taking the time to improve the BaSICS community.

Looking Back Over the School Year 2011 / 2012

As we come to the end of the school year, we reflect on the learning that the ISS BaSICS campus community has been involved in. The 2011 / 2012 school year has been one of expansion and change at the International School of Stuttgart, BaSICS Campus. At the end of last school year we moved into our new building with 92 children. A year later we have 132 students and 50% new staff on our team.

Our students are the most important people in our school. They bring with them a wide variety of educational experiences and adapting to new learning methodologies, expectations, friendships and often, languages, is a challenge they rise to with flexibility and openness.

Our Parent Council members play an important role as ambassadors and advisors for the campus. They quietly work behind the scenes and increase transparency by working with the Leadership. Many thanks to Stefan Zerbe, Stefanie Bartels, Kirsten Donié, Katrin Dinkelacker, Laura McMillan and Can Ertugrul for their contributions to the Parent Council this year.

Karla Marroquin became the new PTG president in December 2011. We thank Karla and her team of motivated and motivating parents for organizing such events as the stand at the Sindelfingen Weihnachtsmarkt, the winter picnic, the production of "Love Letters", the Runathon for India, Healthy Breakfasts, the International May Day celebrations and the end of year picnic. We also introduced "Positive Parenting" meetings at the beginning of the year, which were a great opportunity to exchange thoughts, fears, successes and joys related to schooling, transitions and parenting. Enthusiastic parent and grandparent volunteers make a much-appreciated impact on improving the educational provision for our students. We thank Karla for all she has done in leading PTG events during 2012 and look forward to the team of Jen Nemecek, Denise Hall, Leanda Newman and Erin Jackson sharing the leadership of the PTG next year.

Our Student Councils grew and took on the organisation of the school-based Weihnachtsbazaar and the Runathon, to raise money for our friends in India so that they can receive an education. They also organised a Valentine's rose sale and bake sales to raise money for the Eduard-Pfeiffer-Haus in Stuttgart.

We have enjoyed contact with several local, Sindelfingen organisations, including an Art project with our Early Years students and a local photographer through the Verein "Kids@kita," a Flohmarkt stand with other Kindergartens from the area, an exchange with Goldberg Grundschule students, visits to the Museum, Galerie der Stadt and the Schauwerk private gallery, as well as courses with the Rote Kreuz (Red Cross) and the police road safety team. We value our partnership with the Böblingen Sport Verein, through which we are able to enhance our sports teaching program and the 2-week Summer School in August that attracted about 95 students last year.

The learning opportunities our students have are not confined to the classroom. A few examples include our Middle Years students enjoying field trips to Spain, the Netherlands, and France as well as local practical experiences in social service organisations. Our 3rd and 4th graders stayed overnight in Triberg in the Black Forest and the 6th and 7th graders cycled to Göppingen. 5th grade are in Freiburg this week. Our 6th and 7th grade students also proudly represented the school at the "SchlauSchau" in Breuningerland, where they presented their dual language cookbook to the 30,000 shoppers on a Saturday in February!

Looking Back Over the School Year 2011 / 2012 contd.

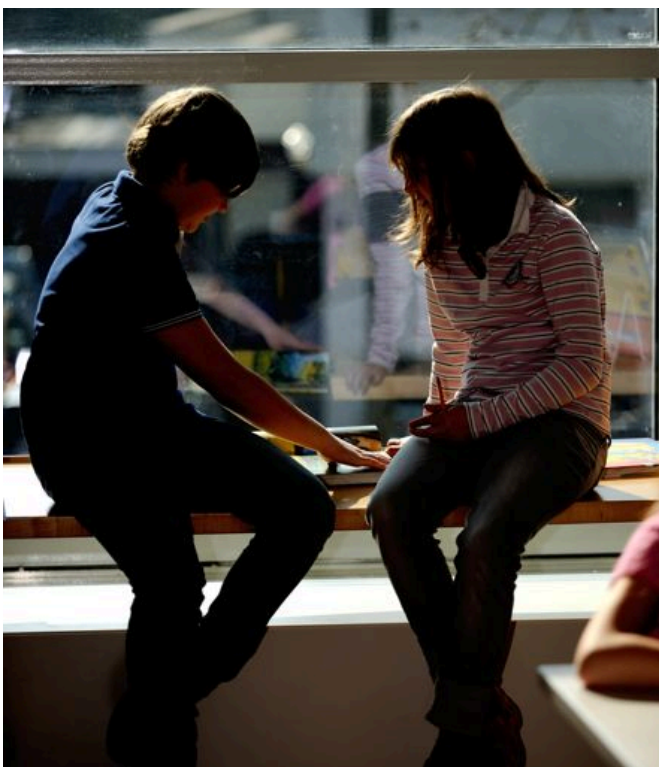
In November 2011 a team of 12 educators from the CIS (Council of International Schools) NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges) and IB (International Baccalaureate) visited ISS on both campuses, in Degerloch and at BaSICS. Their visit came after the school had undertaken an intensive self-study over 18 months, which included input from staff, students and parents. Our Director, Mr. Tim Kelley announced in April 2012 that ISS has been re-accredited. Since the BaSICS campus was accredited up to 4th grade in our last visit of 2008, we are especially thrilled to now be accredited up to 9th grade. We have also recently become a candidate school for the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (MYP). You'll be hearing more about that next year.

Some families will be moving on to new schools and homes over the summer. We hope you will keep in touch with us and let us know how you settle in.

The Staff at the ISS BaSICS Campus deserves our special thanks. Teachers, learning assistants and support staff always go the extra mile in supporting our vision for learning: "We put learning at the core of all we do."

I wish everyone of our community a restful and very enjoyable summer. We will contact you over the summer with information pertaining to the next school year. Take great care of yourselves wherever you are and we look forward to the start of another exciting year of learning on 29th August.

Sarah Kupke
Head of School
ISS BaSICS Campus
June 2012



URBAN BLUEPRINTS

The Early Years 3 students have been working on an art project with a professional artist throughout the school year. The overall theme is "Discover Sindelfingen through the eyes of a child." Together with the photographer, Tarek Musleh, the students took photographs, made collages and developed them using the blueprint technique. Our result is entitled "Urban Blueprints." You are invited to view these photographs in the exhibition in the Art Gallery in Sindelfingen. Please see below for further information. We look forward to seeing you at the vernissage.

Lesley Gibson

Early Years Teacher

Ausstellung KUNST-STOFF-SOMMER 30.06. bis 02.09.2012

Vernissage 30.06.2012 | 11:00-18:00

Lassen Sie sich begeistern von den Kunstwerken unserer jüngsten Nachwuchskünstler, die innerhalb eines Jahres geschaffen wurden. "Mit Kinderaugen Sindelfingen entdecken" - die so im Dialog zwischen Kindern, KiTa-Pädagogen und regionalen Künstlern entstandenen Werke werden in der Galerie erstmals der breiten Öffentlichkeit zugänglich gemacht.

Ort : Galerie der Stadt Sindelfingen

Kinder-Sommerfest und Flohmarkt 30.06.2012 | 11:00-18:00

Interaktionen mit regionalen Künstlern und viele andere Überraschungen erleben Groß & Klein zum 2. Kunst-Stoff-Sommerfest **zwischen der Galerie und dem Rathaus auf der teilgesperrten Vaihinger Straße ein.** Zum Trödeln lädt unser 3. kids@kita-Flohmarkt ein.

Exhibition of the Art Projects of the Kindergartens in Sindelfingen

Vernissage 30.6.2012 11 am – 6 pm

You are invited to come and see the exhibition of our young artists: „Discover Sindelfingen through the eyes of a child“. These works of art were created in a dialogue between children, educators and regional artists and will be opened to the public for the first time.

Location: Gallery of the Town of Sindelfingen

Childrens' Summer Festival and Flea Market 30.6.2012 11 am – 6 pm

The Summer Festival will be taking place between the Art Gallery and the Town Hall in the Vaihinger Strasse. As well as the Flea Market there will be many surprises for old and young.

ISS Events at the Degerloch Campus

On Sunday, 24 June, from 12:00 to 14:00 the Degerloch PTA is hosting its annual "End-of-Year BBQ" to take place at the Degerloch Lower School Playground. The main dish will be provided by the PTA free of charge. If you plan to attend, we ask that you bring a side dish or dessert to share. Beverages will be available for purchase.

On the same day, in the Lower School foyer, we are hosting a flea market. If anyone would like to rent a table to sell personal items at our school wide "Flea Market", please contact Luna Sweis (lunasweis@yahoo.com). The table rental fee is €10 per table. All ISS families are welcome at both events.

FENCING TOURNAMENT

Fecht-AG-Turnier um den Kreissparkassen-Pokal

Termin: Samstag, 30. Juni 2012

Ort: Sporthalle C1, des Kaufmännischen Schulzentrums in Böblingen, Berliner Straße, Eingang Paul-Gerhard-Weg

Please extend the invitation to all our community, parents and friends who would like to come and support our children on that day. It starts at 11 am.



Chinese Language and Culture Camp

Does your child have fun with interesting sounding words? Then encourage this fascination allowing her/him to experiment this desire during my “**Chinese Language and Culture Camp 2012**” at the International School of Stuttgart-Degerloch (ISS).

During the summer holidays, I will conduct the “**Chinese Language and Culture Camp 2012**”, supported by my daughter and some CAS (Community and Service) students from Upper School at ISS. As a Sinologist I spent many years in Taiwan, China, Singapore working and teaching.

The camp will take place at two different dates.

- **1st week from July 2nd - July 6, 2012**

and/or

- **2nd week from July 30th - to August 3rd. 2012**

Space is limited to **max 12 students** in each week.

The camp is designed for **children 6-12 years old**.

Topics this year will include shopping, bargaining `the Chinese way` and preparing spring rolls. Daily lunch will be prepared by the children and students under supervision. One day, we will produce vegetarian spring rolls. I will offer self made spring rolls with beef, too. Please inform me which vegetables your child dislikes.

Our daily **morning routine** in basic Mandarin will be led by a Chinese student. Learning **to write** some **Chinese characters** and using computers to intensify the proper sounds of them, **singing** easy **Chinese songs** and **listening** and understanding Chinese **stories** are other activities.

We will spend our **playtime** with Chinese games like – **diabolo, ping pong, badminton** etc. and this year we will include **golf** and **basketball** for beginners

Also, I am planning a **chinese mural** - with goldfish, bamboo, temples etc using different **chinese art methods**. Implementing the ideas of our CAS students and children will result into a fantastic piece of art.

If you are interested, please find the registration forms in german and english in the June Newsletter section of the BaSICS Portal. Completed registration forms should be returned to me directly. I would be happy to see your child this year at the “Chinese Language-and Culture Camp 2012”

Kind regards,

Monika Zorn

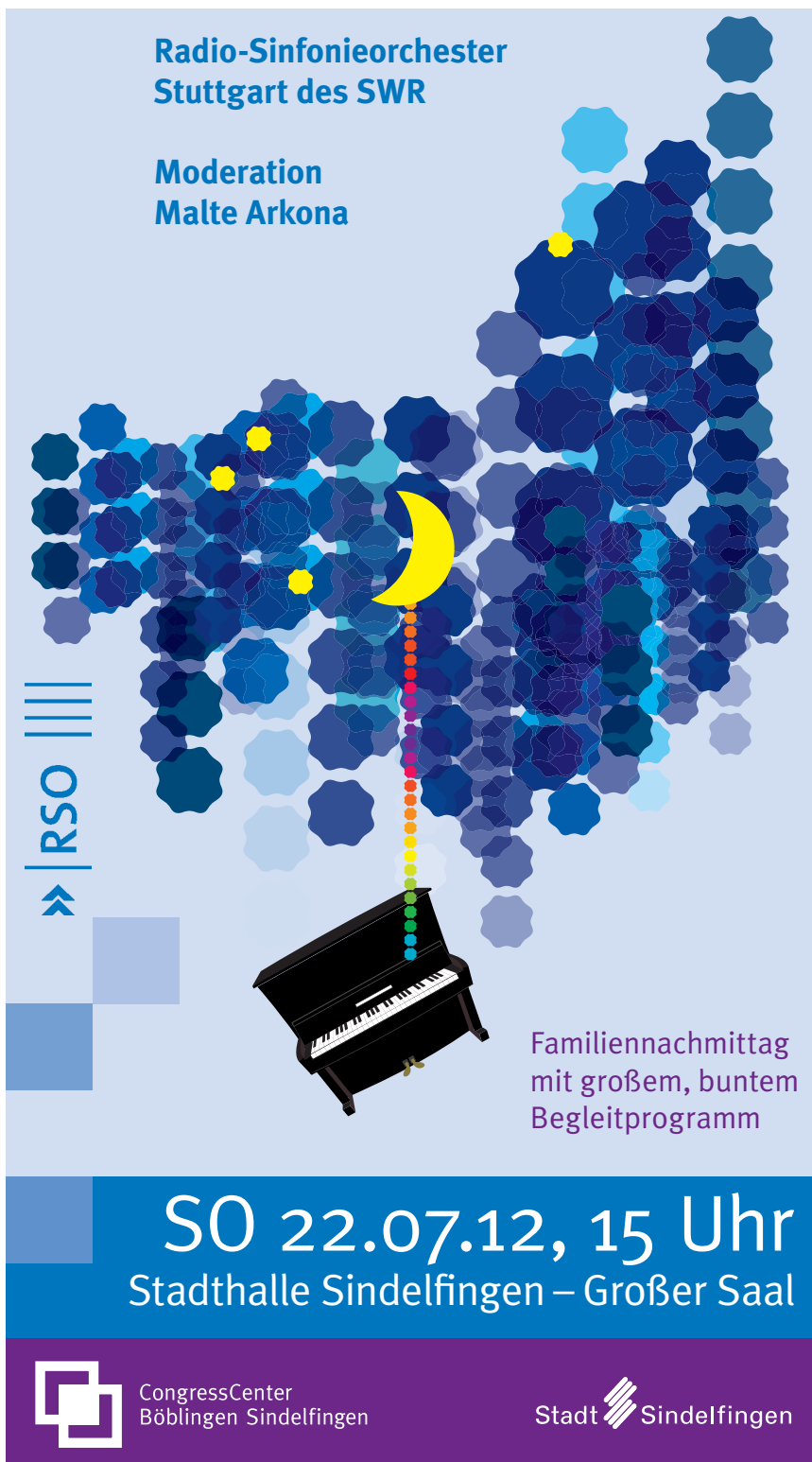
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SWR Young CLASSIX

Familienkonzert „Das Mondklavier“



Radio-Sinfonieorchester
Stuttgart des SWR

Moderation
Malte Arkona

RSO

Familiennachmittag
mit großem, buntem
Begleitprogramm

SO 22.07.12, 15 Uhr
Stadhalle Sindelfingen – Großer Saal

CongressCenter
Böblingen Sindelfingen

Stadt Sindelfingen

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SWR Young CLASSIX 2012
Familienkonzert „Das Mondklavier“

Das weltbekannte Radio-Sinfonieorchester Stuttgart des SWR wird am Sonntag, 22. Juli 2012 das Familienkonzert „Das Mondklavier“ im Großen Saal der Stadthalle Sindelfingen im Rahmen eines Familiennachmittags geben.

Der Komponist des „Mondklaviers“ Andreas N. Tarkmann lässt die großen und kleinen Besucher die Geschichte eines alten Klaviers, das in einem Kindergarten steht, in kindgerechten farbigen Klängen aus vielen Ländern miterleben.

KiKa-Moderator Malte Arkona wird von Bitu, Max, Suella und all den anderen Kindern des Kindergartens erzählen – und natürlich vom Mondklavier, das sich nachts, wenn es ganz still geworden ist, mit dem Mond unterhält. Alle Besucher sind herzlich eingeladen, das Spatzenlied kräftig mitzusingen.

Infos zum Begleitprogramm im Schiller-Foyer:

12 Uhr bis 15 Uhr

- **Familienfreundliche gastronomische Angebote** des Parkrestaurants Stadthalle
- **Piano-Mal-Aktion** mit Piano Hölzle
Kids bemalen ein altes Klavier und machen es zum „Mondklavier“. Das Klavier wird einem Sindelfinger Kindergarten gespendet
- **Piano Werkstatt** mit Piano Hölzle
Kids zerlegen ein altes Piano und erforschen sein Innenleben
- **Piano Ausstellung mit Klavieren und Digitalpianos**
Piano Hölzle
- **„Sing mit“**, SMTT Sindelfingen
- **Instrumentenbasteln**, SMTT Sindelfingen
- **Capoeira auf der Wiese im Park**, SMTT Sindelfingen
- **Hüpfburg auf der Wiese im Park**, CCBS GmbH

Nach dem Konzert stellen die Musiker des RSO den Kindern ihre Instrumente im Schiller-Foyer vor.
 Malte Arkona signiert.

SO 22.07.2012, Stadthalle Sindelfingen – Großer Saal

Konzertbeginn: 15 Uhr (Einlass ab 14 Uhr)
Eintritt: Erwachsene 12,- Euro*
 Kinder/Schüler 6,- Euro*
 * auf allen Plätzen inkl. VVK-Gebühr
 Ermäßigungen für Gruppen ab 10 Personen,
 Kreissparkasse Böblingen,
 Piano Hölzle,
 SZ/BZ-AboKarte



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