

“Dragon Tales”



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“QSI Shekou maintains a rigorous academic program, in a warm and nurturing environment - the preferred school for expatriates in Shenzhen” – QSI parents

Upcomig Events

- **28 October – College Fair – Secondary – Fenghua Building (see advertisement below)**
- **30 Oct – QSI Autumn Fair! 1 – 4 pm Main Campus**
- **2 November – Coffee with Mr. Page – 9 a.m. – Main 1st flr MPR**
- **2 November – PSG Meeting – immediately following Coffee with Mr. Page**
- **15 and 16 November – Professional Development for Teachers – NO SCHOOL!**
- **23 – 26 November – Book Fair – Lower Elementary and Main Campus (see advertisement below)**

Director’s Message: Intensive English at QSI Shekou

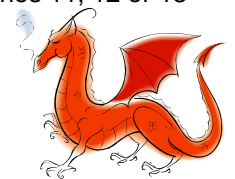
Dear QSI Parents,

Many of you have children whose first language is not English and who are in our Intensive English (IE) Program. This program is offered to students who need to learn the English language so they can study, participate and learn alongside their native English speaking peers in all classes. The goal for an IE student is to transition out of the program and into the mainstream program for the full day, everyday. Normally this takes from one to two years to accomplish if the student works hard, completes the assignments and practices daily. Some may take a bit longer.

Once a student transitions out of the IE program into mainstream classes he/she will be held responsible for attaining the same high level of understanding and performance as native English speakers of the same age. Before being transitioned the curriculum and instruction is tailored to address the needs of each student, so usually IE classes are a bit smaller than mainstream classes. Students will be grouped according to their English reading, writing and speaking proficiency. When not in an IE class the student will be learning along with his or her regular age peers. For example, an IE student may have from between 2 and 4 periods each day where they receive IE instruction and then go to physical education, music, art, technology, and perhaps mathematics with their mainstream peers. These mainstream classes help IE students hear and imitate their English proficient peers, thus giving them an emersion experience in which they can practice what they are learning in their IE classes.

After a student transitions out of the IE program, we will monitor each the student’s progress in the regular classroom and assist as needed. At QSI Shekou this is an area we will soon begin working on so our students aren’t simply “thrown into the deep end of the pool”, with no support. This becomes more and more critical as the student reaches 11, 12 or 13 years old because student will need to be ready to start earning secondary credits toward graduation by performing up to mastery level. All students, regardless of their native language or nationality will be held to the same expectations for graduation.

If you are a parent of an IE child and have questions or concerns regarding the IE instructional program your child is in, please feel free to contact the building administrator by calling 26886907 and ask for:



Mr. Goth, Upper Elementary/M.S.

Mr. Geiss-Poage, Lower Elementary

Mark Hemphill, Secondary

Respectfully, Mr. Page - Director

ATTENTION PARENTS!!! WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

QSI Shekou is working hard to update family information in our school database. To do this properly we need the most current family information possible from every QSI Shekou family.

Please make sure to contact the school whenever you have a new cell-phone number, home phone number, work phone number or email address.

In addition, the office staff is asking that you provide the office with copies of current family member passports and visa information. Thanks for your cooperation! QSI Office Staff (See additional emailing!)

Coffee with Mr. Page

WEDNESDAY, 2 November 2010

9 am – 10 am, 1st floor MPR

Topic: ***The Intensive English Student at QSI***

Attend to learn how we manage this major sub-group among our student body.

PSG (Parent Support Group) Meeting

...to follow immediately after Coffee with Mr. Page

Please plan to attend both meetings!

SCHOOL CALENDARS FOR SALE! GET YOURS WHILE THEY LAST!

Colorful QSI Shekou School Calendars, full of kid pics, are now available in each campus office.

ONLY 20 rmb!

Buy more than one - they make great gifts!

Attention: New date for International Brunch!! – 15 January 2011
Stay tuned for more!!!



2010 QSI Autumn Fair

Saturday, October 30th

1 - 4 pm

QSI Main Campus

Family Fun for Everyone

Games, Food, Spooky Passage, Treat Walk, and more

Prices for punch cards:

10 punches = 20 RMB, 30 at door
30 punches = 60 RMB, 80 at door
Games are 1 or 2 punches.
Food items are 2 punches and higher

Entrance Fee

Early Bird discounts - FREE, show tickets at door
At the door purchases - 5 RMB per adult



The annual **QSI College Fair** is coming up on **Thursday, October 28, 2010 from 7:00 pm-8:00 pm** at the secondary campus. This is an opportunity for parents, students, and the community to be exposed to universities around the world as well as become more familiar with the application process. Students of all ages are encouraged to attend because it is never too early to learn about the college process! We will have information for universities from around the world. There will be presentations on the IB (International Baccalaureate) program, the AP (Advanced Placement Program) and graduation requirements for QSI. We are also fortunate to have a college representative from the University of British Columbia presenting.

BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

**Main Campus
and**

Lower Elementary Campus!

**Tuesday-Friday, November 23 to 26
8:30 to 4:30**



The selections will be tailored to the ages of the students on each campus, so feel free to visit both places! Vendors are selling books at a discount.

PARENTS!!!

Please note that this newsletter is published weekly on our website (<http://shekou.qsischool.org/index.htm>) by clicking on "Friday Letter" when you see the home page, or you can view it each Friday afternoon when it is emailed to you. (DO YOU HAVE YOUR CURRENT EMAIL ADDRESS REGISTERED WITH US? CALL STELLA LEE AT 13724359384 IF YOU NEED TO UPDATE IT OR ANY NEW FAMILY INFORMATION.)
Going Green!!

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