

"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



Upcoming Events

- **3 January** – Government Holiday – NO SCHOOL
- **4 January** – School resumes – full day
- **12 January** – Coffee with Mr. Page – 8:30 am followed by the PSG Meeting 9:30 a.m. (see below)
- **15 January** – International Brunch – Main Campus (see below)
- **20 January** – Chinese New Year Concert – Ages 5 – 13 years old (see below)

Director's Message: Happy Holidays!

Dear Parents,

Over the last couple of weeks I have witnessed some amazing performances and displays of student achievement. Information nights, drama productions and music concerts performed by our



students showed me just how incredibly talented and hard working our students are. It has also shown me how dedicated our teachers and support staff are in helping our students be successful. I have been here at QSI Shekou for a little over four months now and I am extremely impressed with all the highly talented professionals on the staff and the compassionate support shown by our community for our school.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful holiday season full of peace and harmony. I'll see you all in the new year!

Respectfully, Mr. Page – Director



School Offices Closed During Holidays

During the holidays, the ECC, Lower Elementary and Secondary Campuses will be closed for business.

**However, the Main Campus reception office will be open
Monday – Friday, December 13 – 24, 2010, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**NOTE: ALL QSI OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
DECEMBER 27, 2010 THROUGH 3 JANUARY, 2011**

If you need to contact the school, please call 26676031 or stop by the main office reception during these times.

Thanks for your cooperation!

ATTENTION PARENTS!
Exchange rate is changing for Term 2!
Dear Parents, please note:

**A NEW EXCHANGE RATE IS BEING IMPLEMENTED BY ALL QSI CHINA REGIONAL SCHOOLS
EFFECTIVE BEGINNING TERM 2**

THE NEW EXCHANGE RATE GRANTED FROM THE SCHOOL WILL BE: RMB 6.7 = US\$ 1

NOTE: ALL UNPAID TERM 1 FEES WILL

STILL BE UNDER RMB 6.9 = US\$ 1.

REGARDS: QSI ACCOUNTING OFFICE

ALSO NOTE:

The deadline for payment of Term 2 is **10 December, 2010**

PARENTS, DON'T FORGET!

THE ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL BRUNCH IS SATURDAY, 15 JANUARY 2010!

11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.- Main Building Gym and Atrium

On January 15th we will celebrate our diversity through the International Brunch. From 11am until 1:30pm student community service volunteers will man tables displaying their nation's foods, drinks, and culture.

We'd like to ask your support to decorate a table signifying your nation and also to cook and share your country's food. Should you travel to your home country during the winter break you could consider bringing back flags or other items that exemplify your nation.

The community: students, parents, teachers, staff and friends will come together to enjoy this day.

PSG Needs Special Volunteers

PSG is looking for Parent Liaisons for the Age 6 and Age 8 Classrooms. The primary responsibility of the Parent Liaison is to facilitate communication between the teacher and parents. Please email Peggy Morrison at peggymorrison123@gmail.com if you are interested.

SCHOOL DIRECTORY COMING IN JANUARY!

Our school office personnel and the PSG have produced a useful phone and email directory.

During the first week back from vacation, 4- 7 January, 2011, a directory will be coming home with your child. Each family will receive one directory.

We have tried our best to update family information, but his publication may not be completely accurate. If you find that your family information is incorrect please call the school to report necessary changes.

Avoid Traffic Fines – Park at the New Times Plaza!

Recently, the Shekou police department has begun to step up surveillance of the corner adjacent to the Lower Elementary building. Cars parked illegally may now run the risk of being fined on the spot or photographed and fined later. The street crossing has no traffic control lights. We do not have adequate parking for the volume of cars we get during school drop-off in the mornings or school pick-up in the afternoons. We are now providing security guards and other staff members to help parents quickly drop off students by escorting the young ones into the building. Parents or drivers can then be on their way and not impede traffic. Please do not “double” park your car on the street – it blocks traffic flow and you might get fined.

However – possible help is available.....

The New Times Plaza – across the street from the Main Campus building offers parking for a small fee. It is free for the first 14 minutes. Parking for 15 – 60 minutes is 10 rmb with each additional hour and extra 3 rmb. If you are willing to park in the New Times Plaza lot and walk your child to the Lower Elementary building it may help us reduce the traffic and save you a fine.

Chinese New Year Concert COMING SOON!

Date: January 20th, Thursday

Place: **Old Shekou Theatre**

5 – 8 YEAR OLDS: 9:30 – 10:30 A.M.

9 – 13 YEAR OLDS: 1:30 – 2:30 P.M.

MORE TO COME IN JANUARY!

Coffee with Mr. Page

WEDNESDAY, 12 January, 2010

8:30 – 9:30 am, 5th flr PSG Room

Topic: TBA

PSG Meeting

...to follow immediately after Coffee with Mr. Page
Please plan to attend both meetings!

Geology Rocks! – T Shirts for Sale!

Recently, t-shirts were printed for our students who performed the wonderful “Geology Rocks” drama production during our Information Nights. Additional t-shirts are available for 55 rmb in each building office. Supplies while they last! They are really cool!

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 26029896 IF YOU NEED TO UPDATE IT OR ANY NEW FAMILY INFORMATION.)
Going Green!!

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