



Fenghua Fortunes



QSI International School of Shekou

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02/12/11

December (Concern for Others)

01-Band-Orchestra Performance
03-Battle of the Bands 6:30 PM
Coastal Rose Garden 3
07-Band-Orchestra Performance
08-09- Secondary Drama
16-Winter break

January (SO Review)

09-Classes Resume
23-27-Chinese New Year, No school



QSI Secondary Choir

Winter Choir Concert

December 14

7:00 p.m. at Atmosphere
Free event!

Discount pre-order dinner options

Come enjoy a wonderful musical showcase we perform wonderful winter music followed by audience inclusive caroling lead by our choir.

Order your dinner ahead of time for a special discount of 75rmb

Pre-Order Menu Options:

1. BBQ Ribs with French Fries and Green Salad
2. Chicken Milanese with Mash Potato and Vegetables
3. Fish & Chips with Tartar Sauce
4. Grilled Vegetable Platter with Pesto Sauce

**Includes choice of Creamy Mushroom Soup or Caesar Salad*

Order from Mr. King or any Choir Member before Dec 13



Orchestra and Band to Perform

December 7th-Performance in the Lobby of the Fenghua Theater 5:45-6:30



QSI SECONDARY DRAMA

Two Short Plays

Check Please & The Nightmare

Price 25RMB
Where Secondary Campus on the Round
When December 8th and 9th, 7:00 pm

Parents, students, and teachers are welcome to submit announcements, articles, and photos to the Fenghua Fortunes. The paper is distributed every other Friday. Submissions can be sent via e-mail to the school's Director of Instruction at mark-hemphill@shk.qsi.org, by Thursday afternoon.

OSI SHEKOU SECONDARY SAFETY NETTING

Shekou D Policy

A mark of D on a student's Status report indicates that the student has not made a reasonable effort, and is therefore deficient in attaining mastery of the unit.

During the course of each unit engaged, teachers will set a time for assessment of student mastery. If the student is unable to demonstrate that they are prepared to be assessed at the designated time, **due to a lack of effort**, then a mark of D will be entered into the grade book and parents will be contacted. The student will then have until the conclusion of the next unit to reengage the D unit, and to demonstrate mastery. Unit grades of D can impact a student's ability to participate in extracurricular activities. (See Extracurricular Activities Participation Policy).

February 6, 2012 marks the midpoint of the school year. At this time all students should have closed at least four units and taken the opportunity to secure upgrades. After this date, D units cannot be reopened until summer school, or the following school year. May 28, 2012 marks the midpoint of the final quintile. At this time all students should have closed at least four more units, and taken the opportunity to secure upgrades. After this date any additional D units cannot be reopened until summer school, or the following school year.



Visit Math Land Room 402
with your host, Mr. Summers
Wednesday, Thursday
Tutorials
4:00-5:00 PM

**HELP
WANTED?**

Safety Netting

Dear Students and Parents,
Teachers are available for extra assistance outside the normal instructional day. Many teachers keep regular help hours after school, and you will often find them prepared to meet with you in the morning, or even during lunch. If you need additional help, make sure you talk to your teachers, and find out when they are available. Our teachers are dedicated professionals, and a valuable resource to students. Appointments can be made in person or by e-mail.



College Night 2011

**UPCOMING IB
EVENTS:**

**•IB Presentation to all Sec-
ondary II Students**

*When: January 11, 2012

**•IB Presentation to QSI
Parents**

*When: Jan 11, 7:30 pm

*Where: QSI Fenghua,
Secondary Campus,
AV Room, Second Floor

**For more information, email Ms.
Jocelyn Baker, IB Coordinator at:

jocelyn-baker@shk.qsi.org

**IB STUDENT
DEADLINES**

Monthly Progress Report Due Dec 2

IB Y1 EE Contracts Due to IB Coordinator Dec 12

IB Y2 EE Rough Drafts Due Jan 9

IB Y1 EE Proposals Due to IB Coordinator Jan 18

Secondary II IB Applications Due Jan 20

Monthly Progress Report Due Feb 3

IB Y2 EE Final Drafts Due to IB Coordinator Feb 24

IB Dragons at a Glance

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What is the IB Diploma Program?

The Mission of the IB Diploma Program is as follows: "The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

To this end the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.

These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with

their differences, can also be right."

So how is this mission accomplished at an IB school? The IB program of study is broken up into six groups of study plus three core requirements. The six groups of study can be seen above in the IB Program Model. Students typically choose to take three of these six courses at standard level

(SL) and three at higher level (HL). Higher level courses carry the potential for college credit. The core requirements include:

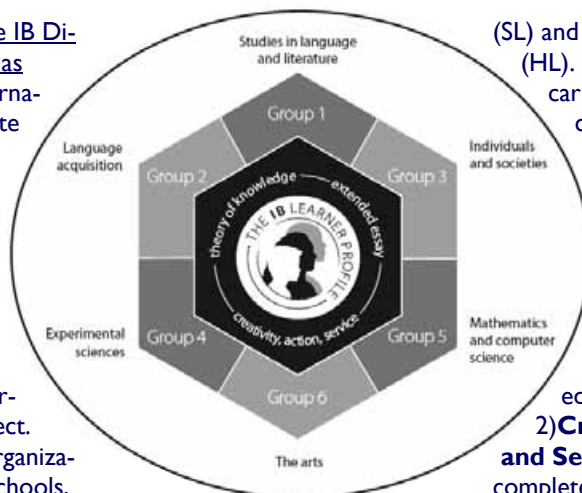
1) **Theory of Knowledge (TOK)**-A philosophical course exploring the value and acquisition of knowledge.

2) **Creativity, Action and Service (CAS)**-Students complete 150 hours of CAS which includes experience in leadership roles.

3) **Extended Essay (EE)**-A largely independent, 4000 word essay on a topic of student choice.

This comprehensive program of study is meant to challenge and prepare students to be future leaders in university and beyond.

For more information visit: www.ibo.org.



The IB Program at QSI Shekou

This is QSI Shekou's third year offering the IB Diploma program. We currently offer the following IB courses: **Literature SL/HL, Language and Literature SL/HL, Self Taught Language SL, Chinese B SL/HL, Chinese Ab Inicio SL, History SL/HL, Economics SL/HL, Math SL/HL, Math**

Studies SL, Biology SL/HL, Chemistry SL/HL, Environmental Science and Society SL, and Visual Arts SL/HL. Every year we add additional courses to meet the needs and interests of our students at QSI Shekou.

students in the IB Diploma Program representing more than **19** different nationalities. QSI is proud to offer such a multicultural program of study; it is a wonderful opportunity for students to learn about the world, not only through texts and teachers, but from the individuals sitting next to them.

QSI Shekou currently has **34**

Applying for the IB Diploma Program



IB Applications Due January 20, 2012 for all Secondary II students.

All QSI Shekou secondary II students are encouraged to learn more about the IB Diploma program. It is important that students make a responsible and informed decision regarding which path of study is most appropriate for meeting their future university and career goals.

To support inquiry, on **January 11, 2012**, Ms. Baker, the IB Coordinator, will give an IB presentation to all secondary II students at Fenghua campus.

This presentation will include information on prerequisites of the IB Program, requirements for successful completion of the IB Diploma Program, and the benefits of earning an IB Diploma.

On the evening of **January 11**, at **7:30 pm**, parents are invited to attend the same presentation delivered by Ms. Baker in the AV room at Fenghua Campus.

Students interested in joining the IB Diploma Program will be receiving an application packet on January 11. The application process

has three components: 1) Teacher Recommendations, 2) IB Course Preference Survey and 3) Student Application Essay.

Students will have a little under two weeks to complete the application process. Applications are due **January 20, 2012** to Ms. Baker.

If you have any questions or concerns relating to the IB Diploma Program application process, please email Ms. Baker at: jocelyn-baker@shk.qsi.org.

IB Y1 Student Star!



Ruben Larsen

We are starting a new tradition at QSI Shekou where we would like to recognize outstanding students in the IB Diploma Program. Students will be recognized in the IB newsletter and will also receive a certificate congratulating their achievement.

Our first IB Y1 Student Star is Ruben Larsen. Ruben was

praised by many teachers for his creative thought, engagement in class discussions and successful transition into the IB Diploma Program.

Mr. Bearns raves "He has shown tremendous enthusiasm in economics. He is a real joy to have in class."

Mr. Varney states "Ruben has been the primary driver of class discussions in TOK, always

offering up interesting ideas, challenging standard notions and proffering far-reaching, bold opinions. He causes others to engage in the material by raising intriguing questions and suggesting controversial perspectives."

Mrs. Bearns has also been pleased to see Ruben's involvement in initiating CAS activities.

Congratulations Ruben, keep up the great work!

IB Y2 Student Star!



Tatiana Reiter

Tatiana Reiter has been selected as the IB Y2 Student Star!

As Mr. Varney puts it, Tatiana is "curious, respectful, organized, motivated, self-disciplined, thoughtful, reflective, respected and consistently engaged with all activities and discussions."

Tatiana has also exemplified immense responsibility and independence regarding her extended essay and self-taught Portuguese course.

Mr. King has this to say about Ms. Reiter, "She is consistently studying beyond the required material. She has taken some risks in getting up in front of

the group to do creative presentations (becoming a figure from history). She is a critical thinker and asks clarifying questions about why events or choices were made in history, hypothesizing on her own as well. She also helps others who are struggling."

Wow! Way to go Tatiana!