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QSI Shekou Lower Elementary Dragon Prints

Classroom Connection

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Recently our **Fantastic Fives** have worked hard on their **Measurement** unit in mathematics. Students have compared and ordered different weights and units of measure. In **Reading** they have been working to **synthesize** or retell a story.

Our **Six year-old** students have been studying addition and **subtraction facts** and fact families. They have also practiced writing **persuasive letters** to try to convince their teachers and parents to allow more privileges.

The Super Sevens have also been studying measurement, having used scales and balances to **weigh and compare** common objects. They have also been exploring different types of **poetry**. Two Seven year-old classes recently presented an assembly about **Trustworthiness**.

The Eight year-old students have been writing **expository essays**, and are deep into their unit of study about **Ancient Roman** civilization.

Upcoming Dates:

- ☺ Ching Ming Festival—No School April 4-5
- ☺ After School Activities Session 4 Begins April 6, 2011
- ☺ Visiting Author—Stephanie Stuve-Bodeen April 11, 8:30-12
- ☺ Read Every Day Celebration Assembly- Wednesday, April 13
- ☺ Character Costumes Day- Friday April 15



As part of the Director's Challenge, Mr. Page will shave his head April 13th.

Congratulations Lower Elementary Readers!

In the past 7 weeks QSI Lower Elementary students have read over 175,000 minutes! They have FAR surpassed their goal of 120,000 minutes read! On the way they have explored different genres of reading, and worked together to color in maps of the world. We plan to **CELEBRATE** these successes April 13th with an assembly with Mr. Goth and Mr. Page, as well as a dress-up day and ice cream party April 15th!

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Visiting Author: Stephanie Stuve-Bodeen

Monday, April 11, QSI Lower Elementary will be visited by Stephanie Stuve-Bodeen, a popular Children's and Young Adult author. Ms. Stuve-Bodeen has published several books, including *A Small Brown Dog with a Pink Nose* and *Elizabeth's Doll*. Many of her books are available for checkout at the LE Library.

Ms. Stuve-Bodeen has been a Peace Corps volunteer in Tanzania as well as a Junior High and High School teacher. While she has always enjoyed writing, she first published her own works after the birth of her children. When she isn't writing, she helps others through writer's workshops and visits. We look forward to her visit!



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Gift of Goods—Showing our Concern for Others

Lower Elementary students and families spent the month of March donating household items, food and goods to two local charities. The True Children's Home, an orphanage that helps provide needed cleft palate surgeries to children, and Captivating International's Project Eden, a school and home for girls will benefit from your outstanding generosity! Well over 1000 items were donated, including over 40 boxes of diapers, 190 bars of soap, laundry powder, cleaning supplies and bowls and chopsticks! Faculty also donated additional money to purchase perishable items.

In the coming days Suji DeHart and Ms. Bobo Pan from the Lower Elementary will join other teachers and students to deliver items to Project Eden. A group of Secondary students will also take items to the True Children's Home. We extend a huge Thank You to every student who donated goods or money to these two worthwhile causes.



Strawberry Tea

Talent Show and Dessert

LE Auditions April 18-22 after school
Please contact Mrs. Paugh for details



Literacy Week of Events

- April 11: Visiting Author Assemblies
- April 13: Read Every Day Celebration Assembly
8:30am!
- April 15: Dress up in Character Costumes and school-wide ice cream party!