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PUTRAJAYA

Primary

Early Years to the Rescue!

Our youngest learners had a fantastic time packed with activities and new experiences during our visit to the Headquarters of the Fire station in Putrajaya. This school trip was the Exit point from our topic about Going places. Not only we have learnt about different sorts of emergency transportation, we also had a chance to try the hard work and bravery of Fire fighters and the rescue team. Learners tested their strengths in a warm up exercise, followed by transferring an injured person to the ambulance, then trying to extinguish pretend fire and finally, each class had a ride in a real fire truck! Thanks to those parents involved and helping, and a massive thank you to the staff of Jabatan Bomba Putrajaya, Presint 8. They have been extremely friendly, well prepared with all the activities, fully involved, helping and caring towards all our learners. What a great way to end another interesting topic! The excitement and joy was evident and surely will be long- lasting after this great experience.



IPC South East Asia Regional Conference

Nexus will once again be welcoming almost 90 teachers and leaders from schools around the region next week (Wednesday to Friday) for the Annual regional conference for IPC schools. Nexus teachers will be facilitating many of the courses and workshops. It is testament to being part of a Mastering school and to the superb work that our teachers do here at Nexus. More details can be found on the IPC website:

<http://www.greatlearning.com/info/SEA2015/>



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Recipes



Healthy Porridge

Ingredients

- 1 Cup Brown Rice
- 4 Cups Water
- ½ Chicken Breast cut into Cubes
- Vegetables of choice

Method

- Boil rice until it becomes of porridge consistency
- Add chicken
- Add vegetables
- Salt and Pepper to your taste
- Garnish with Cilantro, fried onions and bean sprouts



Grill Fish

Ingredients

- 1 large Mackerel
- Dash of turmeric powder
- Pinch of salt
- ½ Lemon

Method

- Preheat oven to 180c
- Rub in the turmeric and salt into the fish
- Wrap fish in aluminium foil
- Grill for 15 minutes
- Once cooked squeeze lemon over

Secondary

CAS reflection by Luanne Rou Yinn Lai

From the beginning of the year, I have been part of the Nexus Tutoring Team where I have helped provided tutoring sessions for both secondary and IB learners. So far, we've tried attracting more learners to our sessions by making videos and increasing awareness through weekly email reminders and 1-1 talks with people. We had also expanded our services so that we did not limit ourselves to purely Monday for our sessions by creating Private Tutoring Sessions whereby learners could request for a particular tutor to teach them a subject in which they need help in. So far, it has been relatively successful but have slowed down recently as the exams for the Y11 learners have passed so we are looking for ways in which we could reach out to more learners. Being part of this team had really given me a lot of valuable experience as I've learnt how to approach and teach difficult concepts to people which is definitely a skill worth learning about. Teaching others have also given me a satisfaction of having accomplished something as I am able to provide help to those who need it



Y9 Trip to Langkawi, Monday 23rd – Friday 27th March

Dear all, the Year 9 trip to Langkawi is fast approaching. For parents of learners attending, there will be a meeting next week on Thursday 5th March 3:30pm – 4:00pm after school in the MPR. This will give further information about the trip and is an opportunity to ask any questions. It would be great to see all the parents and learners there. Miss Rachel

On-Campus Prep Course for the SAT, April 13th-17th, 2015 (School Holiday)

Dear Parents and Learners, Nexus International School, in arrangement with Testtakers, (<http://www.ttprep.com/>) a company specializing in SAT preparation, will be offering an on-campus SAT prep course for Y12 Learners. This program will be held at Nexus and will cover all aspects of the SAT, including the Writing section with Essay. A letter and registration form will be emailed and given to learners, which contains further information.

Tutors' Schedule

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Jan 26-Jan 30

Tutor's Days	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Danny Shariel SEN	1:25-1:50 or 3:15-5:00	1:25-1:50			
Piona Lim S2X	3:15-5:00 (Blocked)			3:15-5:00	
Irfan Azhar SEN	3:15-5:00				
Luanne Lai S2S	3:15-5:00 (Blocked)	1:20-1:50 (Blocked)			Depends 3:15-5:30
Prayansh Ar SEN	3:15-5:00 (Blocked)				1:20-1:50

Subjects offered by tutors
Danny Shariel

PE Notices

Secondary Sports day has been confirmed as Friday 13th March. First race at 9am!

Last years winners Riang will be hoping to hold on to the trophy after wrestling it out of the hands of Cergas who were the 2012 and 2013 winners.

Sign-up

The process is the same as last year. Learners will sign-up via a google form sent by Mr Andy. Please check your emails.

Participation

Every learner will be expected to sign-up to at least 1 event. Athletics is a sport which suits all shapes, sizes and fitness levels.

What to Wear

- You can arrive in your sports clothing as there will be no time to change and limited space available.
- Wear your house colours but please no football/rugby shirts etc.
- Banners/face paints etc are all encouraged - Lets make the event a colourful one!

On the Day

- 8.45am - Learners will arrive at the field ready to begin their warm-ups
- 9.00am - Event begins
- 2.45pm - Presentation in the stands to the winning house team

Sports Fixtures Coming-up

Saturday 28th February
Secondary ISAC Track and Field - 6.30am
Wednesday 4th March
U11 Boys Football at Nexus - 4pm U11 Girls Football at ISP - 2.30pm
Thursday 5th March
U15 Boys Basketball at Tenby - 3pm U15 Girls Basketball at BSKL - 3pm
Saturday 7th March
ISAC U18 Badminton at Tenby - 6.45am Secondary Track and Field at ISP - 6.30am U11 Boys Football at ISKL, Melawati - 6.45am U11 Girls Football at ISKL, Melawati - 6.45am
Thursday 12th March
U15 Boys Basketball at Tenby - 3pm

Year 12 Parent Teacher Conference

Please note that the Year 12 PTC (Parent Teacher Conference) will be held next Wednesday 4th March at 3:30 – 5:00pm in the MPR (Multi Purpose Room). Please sign-up online to make an appointment with subject teachers.

MUSIC NEWS

Spring Concert

The Spring Concert is in 2 weeks time on Thursday 12th March, 7pm in the Theatre. Tickets are on sale from the school reception.

The Spring Concert is designed to showcase the talents of Nexus musicians of Grade 5 standard and above, including the GCSE and IB learners. We will be holding a Trial Session for Suitability of Pieces (length, standard, genre etc) for the Spring Concert which will be held on 2nd March, so please start practising now. Learners who offer items in groups will be looked on favourably - There are only 25 performance slots in the concert and 8 of these are taken up by School Choir, Jazz Band, Y7-9 Class Choir, 3 x Y7 Gamelan performances etc..

GCSE Music Practical Exam Timings

The GCSE Music Practical Exams will be held on Thursday 5th March. The timings for the exams can be found here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dT1aT8Wv6vuJ0PEuddxyzJjOui34C-SDhUVtwM1MKpc/edit?usp=sharing>

These exams make up 40% of the final mark so please work hard practising your pieces.

FINAL CALL!!! - New Musical Instrumental Lessons Now On Offer

The Music Department is please now to be

able to offer the following NEW instrumental lessons - **WE WANT TO EMPLOY THE NEW TEACHERS SO PLEASE SIGN UP THIS WEEK SO THAT WE CAN SEE IF IT IS VIABLE:**

Double Bass

Sign-Up HERE: <https://sites.google.com/a/nexus.edu.my/music-department/sign-up-for-instrumental-lessons>



Indian Sitar

Sign-Up HERE: <https://sites.google.com/a/nexus.edu.my/music-department/sign-up-for-instrumental-lessons>



Indian Tabla

Sign-Up HERE: <https://sites.google.com/a/nexus.edu.my/music-department/sign-up-for-instrumental-lessons>

Instrumental Lessons

If you are new to the school or have been here for a while and just want to try out playing an instrument, then please ask your parents to fill in the application form here:

<https://sites.google.com/a/nexus.edu.my/music-department/sign-up-for-instrumental-lessons>

Why not give it a try for a term - you are not signing up for lessons for life!

Why Study Music?



*Wednesday
Lunchtime
1.15pm to
1.45pm
- Vocal
Group*

Dates For Your Diaries

Thu 5th Mar	GCSE Music Practical Exams
Mon 2 Mar	Trial for the Suitability of Pieces for the Spring Concert
Thu 12 Mar	Spring Concert 7pm in the Theatre
Mon 11 May	Trial for the Suitability of Pieces for the Young Performers' Concert
Thu 21 May	Young Performers' Concert 7pm in the Theatre
Mon 1 Jun	Trial for the Suitability of Pieces for Dance in Action
Thu 11 Jun	Dance in Action 7pm in the Theatre
Mon 22 Jun	Rock Concert 7pm in the Theatre

Lunchtime Music Clubs - ALL WELCOME - No Invitation Needed! Just Come Along and have FUN!

Primary	
Mon	Recorder Group with Miss Ann
	String Group (Violins, Cellos) with Mr Mervin
	Guitar Group with Mr Afiq & Mr Hafiz
Tue	Drumming Group with Mr Jared
Wed	Flute Group with Miss Yem Voon
	Ukulele Group with Miss Ann
	(After School) Clarinet Group for ALL Learners with Miss Kit
Thu	Primary String Group (Violins and Cellos) with Mr Mervin
Fri	Primary Singing Group with Miss Ann & Miss Audrey

Secondary	
Mon	Drumming Group with Mr Jared & Mr Tim
Tue	Guitar Group with Mr Afiq
	Brass Group with Mr Gerold
Wed	Flute Group with Miss Yem Voon
	Fun Vocal Group (Acapella singing, 4 part singing) with Mr Tim & Mr Steve
	Guitar Groups with Mr Hafiz
	(After School) Clarinet Group for ALL Learners with Miss Kit
Thu	Senior String Group (Violins, Cellos) with Mr Mervin
	Jazz Band/Group with Mr Tim
Fri	String Orchestra with Mr Steve & Mr Mervin

DRAMA NEWS

Year 5 & 6 Drama Club



Year 5 & 6 Drama Club runs on Tuesdays 12.40 - 1.10pm in the Drama Studio.

This term, we are building Drama skills through a series of games and workshops. New members are welcome, just come along to the Dance Studio on a Tuesday lunchtime.

This week's workshop focused on Physical Theatre and Vocal Skills, with learners joining together to make monsters and machines!



Monster!



Machine!

What's On

KLPAC (<http://www.klpac.org/?p=14308>) are running a whole series of great films about Shakespeare and his plays.

Contact KLPAC on :+603 4047 9000

PLAYING SHAKESPEARE

1ST MARCH
KENNETH BRANNAGH'S IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER (HAMLET) 1995

5TH MARCH
DOUGLAS HICKOX' THEATRE OF BLOOD (VARIOUS) 1970

15TH MARCH
JOHN MADDEN'S SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (ROMEO AND JULIET) 1998

22ND MARCH
JAMES IVORY'S SHAKESPEARE WALLAH (VARIOUS) 1965

29TH MARCH
AL PACINO'S LOOKING FOR RICHARD (RICHARD III) 1996

5TH APRIL
ROLAND EMMERICH'S ANONYMOUS (VARIOUS) 2011

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