

中国 Linking with China

We have formed a link with Dongguan Primary School, Wenchang Campus in Yangzhou, China and have started working with them following a visit made by our Headteacher to China to visit their school. Dongguan is quite contrasting with our school, with 1,188 pupils on roll and being an urban city school. The staff and pupils were wonderfully welcoming and we are planning a series of activities and projects between our two schools and in collaboration with Walwayne Court Primary School, Wiltshire and Wenhe Primary School, Yangzhou, China. It is a very exciting opportunity for all four schools and one which we are sure will enrich learning and understanding of the wider world for the children in both England and China.



The Great Chinese Dumplings Bake Off!



The whole School had a fabulous time following instructions for 'How to cook Chinese dumplings'. It was a great opportunity to work with children of all different ages and we saw lots of great teamwork. The winners of the 'Great Chinese Dumplings Bake Off', with the tidiest tables and best presented dumplings, were the Brie team. Lots of the children also enjoyed our Chinese menu with Sodexo making special place mats and decorating the hall with lanterns.



Meeting senior staff at Dongguan Primary School (Wenchang Campus) October 15



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AWARD

Congratulations on your Re/Accreditation of the International School Award 2016-2019

Dear International Coordinator,

Thank you for submitting your Impact Evaluation of international learning activities. We are delighted to inform you that **Horningsham Primary School** has been successful in gaining Reaccreditation of the International School Award and is accredited for three years from **1 September 2016 to 31 August 2019**.

Here are the assessor's comments on your Impact Evaluation, to highlight where your application was particularly impressive and points to take note of as you continue to develop the international dimension in your school:

This is an excellent application for International School Award Reaccreditation from Horningsham Primary, an outstanding example of what massive energy and commitment a small school with 76 pupils can put into a cause in which it believes. And this school and its wider community certainly do believe in the value of the international dimension, illustrated by the positive parental responses to the questionnaire, the values personified through the head boy and head girl in their annual speeches, and maximum use made of every opportunity! There is so much here to commend, and nothing to fault in terms of ticking the assessment boxes, so the current assessor will only highlight a few points which were of particular interest to him. Partnerships are with Ecole Primaire de Boulaur, France despite their lack of internet, and Dongguan Primary School Wenchang Campus. The breadth of content overall is staggering. Fine examples include the collaboration with Yangzhou through the China Bridge and Shakespeare Lives, the Anglo-French rural schools project through videos and the Legends from Japan with a professional storyteller, Dr. Nicola Grove, and schools in Hyogo Prefecture. There was also a classroom unit on the European referendum, a topic that surprisingly few schools seem to have addressed in the summer of 2016. Dialogue with interested parties is found throughout the application from global partners to ambassadorial support for local colleagues in workshops at Longleat and mentoring a new head about the International School Award. Evaluations were spot on and it is clear that the "Talking Teachers" programme will bear more fruit in the future for professionals and pupils alike. Well done everyone!

Congratulations on working so hard to co-ordinate such an impressive range of work as the International Co-ordinator. You are a credit to the school and the wider community.

We hope that the scope of your excellent international activities will continue to develop and benefit the school community; your support, commitment, creativity and innovative international work is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for taking part in the International School Award. Please convey our very best wishes and many congratulations to all staff and students both in the UK and overseas who have taken part in the scheme. Please also contact your local media to inform them about your successful international work - this is a great achievement and one that deserves celebrating and sharing widely.

Kind regards

International School Award team
British Council



Our Y2 children spent a wonderful day at Walwayne Court Primary School spending the day immersed in Chinese activities. They produced some lovely work, including calligraphy, origami and dance and were also fantastic ambassadors for the school with their great manners.



China Assembly

We had a lovely assembly on Friday with so many members of the school community joining us to find out about all the work we've done for our whole school China topic. Woodpeckers amazed us with their spectacular Chinese dragon, Owls entertained us with their own Terracotta Army and Robins delighted us with a recount of the Magic Paintbrush. It's been a great project and is only the start of our on-going work with our partner school in Yangzhou.

Link with French School

Owls class have started a link with a small village school in the South of France. The school is called Ecole Primaire de Boulaur and has just one class of children in years 4,5,6 with the younger children in another school in another village. The French children have sent the children a film about their school and the village and also some French chocolate produced by the Abbey that is just opposite the school. Owls made their own video of the village and school (speaking in both English and French!) and sent this with a pack of information they made to give our partners a greater understanding of life in Horningsham.



School Entrance



Adjoining Town Hall