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Barrington Chinese Immersion Council - June 2022



springtime review!

Below is a recap of some amazing things that happened with BCIC this past Spring . . .

- BCIC and our new partner Xilin Northwest Chinese School hosted two **Career Exploration** events, geared for our middle and high school students. We had wonderful and informative speakers from companies including Abbott, Tencent, United Airlines, Marmon Food Industries, Continental Materials Corporation, and Abbvie
- We supported parents of Rose Elementary with their annual **Multicultural Night**
- BCIC was represented at **Countryside's annual Art/Book Fair**. Older CI students volunteered and taught the elementary students some Chinese characters
- BCIC had its very own kite booth at **Barrington's Kid Fest!** Amidst the kite flying and other kids activities, volunteers spoke about our program with many families, several who will be making kindergarten choices this fall!
- We hosted another fun **Chinese Story Time/Game Hour** at Barrington Area Library! Elementary CI students enjoyed participating with the 8th grade student volunteers who read Chinese books and led games



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Rose Elementary's Multicultural Night

Countryside's Art Fair

Activities at Barrington Kid Fest



Kite flying at Barrington Kid Fest



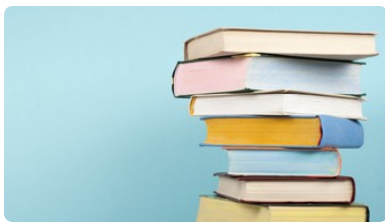
Chinese Story Time/Game Hour - 8th grade volunteers with Mrs. Pauwels and her son!



Chinese Story Time/Game Hour - red panda toss!

Books and other classroom needs

As you may know, we at BCIC enjoy providing funding for our CI teachers to help fulfill their classroom-related requests. At the beginning of each school year, we put a call out to our teachers to offer our assistance. This school year we provided each everything from Chinese books to storage cabinets to crafts supplies, and student recognition items! All in all, our contributions totaled nearly \$4,000, and we are proud to fulfill their wishes! Thanks, BCIC families who make these generous gifts possible!



new resources for summer reading at barrington area library

Thanks very much to Michelle Chase, Becca Patchak, and Mr. Yu for coordinating an effort with the Barrington Area Library! Their work resulted in the library recently adding about 50 new reading materials to its collection! This includes physical books, ebooks, audio books and emagazines.

Note: the physical books have JUST arrived at the library! They will be available for checkout within the next week.

Check out the new Chinese books on Libby! (link is below, Barrington Area Library card required)

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Honor society inductees

Congratulations to the new high school initiates of The National Chinese Honor Society!, a scholastic organization that promotes and recognizes students who demonstrate citizenship, leadership, and community service!

The purpose of the National Chinese Honor Society is to encourage its members to become lifelong learners in order to gain a better understanding of Chinese language and culture, as well as to play an active role as a contributing global citizen in the twenty-first century. The photo below is our 22 Chinese Immersion students who were newly inducted into the Chinese Honor Society. We are proud of all the work you did to obtain this recognition! And many thanks to Mrs. Yang and Mrs. Stumpf for your roles in sponsoring the students with their honor society achievements!



Middle School Inductees

The purpose of the Chinese Language Association of Secondary-Elementary Schools (CLASS) **National Junior Scholars for Excellence in Chinese** is to recognize and acknowledge students' achievement in learning Chinese language and culture. This year was our middle school CI

students' fi
nominated
school students throughout the honor society recognition process:



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all the
the middle



6th grade



7th grade



8th grade

abigail neton and alicia miller - national speech contest winners!

- BCIC is thrilled for our two CI students Abigail Neton and Alicia Miller! They were both winners of National Chinese Speech Contest held by The American Academy of International Culture and Education (AAICE). Abigail won first place and Alicia won third place in the "High School Immersion Program" category. Congratulations - we are so proud of you both!

Congratulations to mrs. pauwels!

We are so proud of Mrs. Pauwels! She applied to the Barrington 220 Education Foundation for a grant for a portable sound system.



Many thanks to our volunteers this school year!

We couldn't have done it without you!

Career Exploration - Michelle Chase, Cory Lohmeyer and Roger Yang

Robin Kurpiewski and Bird Shi

Hongming Liu

Andrew O'Connell

Zimin Mineo

Noah Mineo

Lei He

Kate Baker

Classroom Library - Rebecca Patchak

Kamala Diefenthaler

Yimin (Amy) Wong

Arthur Kok

Countryside Art Fair - Jay Murphy

Claire B

Ellie E

Abby G
Daniel M
Nicolas P



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Elementary Programs and Activities - Michelle Chase and Cory Lohmeyer

Zheng You

Andrew O'Connell

Diana McKee

Jennifer Naddeo

Qi Teng (Sylvia) and Flora Shen

Greencastle - Michelle Chase, Cory Lohmeyer and Lisa Vraniak

Mariam A

Lilly G

Mikenna G

Aaron J

Aryanna J

Maya K

Kendall L

Alexandria N

Mariana N

Carolyn O

Flora S

Kate V

Lucy V

Ellen Y

Greencastle Staff

Qi Teng (Sylvia)

Homecoming Float Design and Building - Julie Carani

The Barn Nursery

Ryder Carani

Olivia Chau

Max Lai

Hewitt Li

Julia Li

Andrew Monreal

Brittney Monreal

Brant Pan

Angela Wang

Mandarin Storytime 8th Grade Volunteers

Bella B

Maya K

Estelle L

Chloe M

Alexandria N

Mariana N
Carolyn O
Valeria V
Ellen Y



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Teacher Support for 8th Grade Volunteers

Mrs. Weerts and Mr. Yu

Teacher Support for Mandarin Storytime materials

Mrs. Chin and Mrs. Pauwels

Website

Anu Pillai

Winterfest Tree - Cory Lohmeyer

Olivia C

Ziyun M

Zain R

BCIC Board

Jay Murphy - President

Julie Carani* - Vice President

Zimin Mineo - Treasurer

Rebecca Patchak - Secretary

Kate Baker* - past President and Vice President

Mary Cook* - past Treasurer

Michelle Chase

Cory Lohmeyer

Lisa Vraniak*

*Retired at the end of 2021-2022

Mrs. Floyd's retirement

We would be remiss if we didn't recognize and thank Mrs. Floyd for her years of service at Barrington 220! Mrs. Floyd is retiring at the end of this school year after working **30+ years** in the district - and it is well deserved! The past 4 years, she has been our Chinese Immersion Kindergarten Enrichment teacher. Mrs. Floyd has also been a 2nd grade CI teacher, too!

Mrs. Floyd is said to love her students, and that teaching is her passion. She and her husband Steve raised their three children in Barrington, and they are proud grandparents of Luke, Mack, James, Matthew and Estella.



Thank you, Mrs. Floyd . . . you've had such a profound effect on so many Barrington children through the years! We appreciate all your efforts with the kindergarten Chinese Immersion

students!



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Retiring BCIC board members

As the school year comes to a close, we also need to bid our good wishes to four BCIC board members who have been so dedicated to our organization and its teachers and students. These women are Kate Baker (past President and Vice President, BCIC board member for 6 years), Julie Carani (Vice President, 6 years), Mary Cook (past Treasurer, 7 years), and Lisa Vraniak (3 years).

"We on the board very grateful for Kate, Julie, Mary and Lisa's service and direction," said Jay Murphy, President of BCIC. "It has been a privilege working with them. Their contributions have delivered significant outcomes."

Julie says it is "time for others to step into a leadership role. Over the years, I was always thrilled and honored to be on the board. I enjoyed working with the teachers and CI families, whether it was coordinating books requested by teachers or helping with the homecoming parade float!"

Thanks for all your invaluable contributions and guidance, Kate, Julie, Mary and Lisa!

Summer Resources for your Student

Thanks, Mrs. Weerts, for supplying these materials that your student can review over the summer!

Writing standards:

<https://www.time4writing.com/writing-resources/writing-standards/>

Reading:

<https://www.rebeccacaudill.org/>

Chinese History reading (6-8 grades: students should have their logins already):

<https://www.echinese-world.com/SocialStudiesReading/#/>

YouTube videos for students 8-14 years old:

1. 快乐星球| Happy Star

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MdUWbpDDTrs&list=PL2Cfr1dr2LdaCqIW8qk2KaYh9yLaGKsmZ>) with subtitles.

2. 了不起的菲丽西 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FdTVrUuZOSM>) with subtitles.

3. 爸爸去哪儿 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OGVGcNmTsvA&list=PLUM8x224JrX_Dh3aC_9zx45Kr_qpZYic with subtitles

4. 新灰姑娘 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G-vb-NZXL-Y>) with subtitles

5. 猪猪侠 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ibnvDNw8TTk>)

6. 非人哉 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rpAnMJ1WTx4&list=PL0Cq3jn9pFuXbMW2toLRGRcSB291wgkjr>)

7. 小鼠乒乓之成语大典

(<https://www.dpl1cj.com>) w



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Chinese level reading materials

1. Mandarin for me (<http://mandarinforme.com/chinese-learning-videos/leveled-reading-books-level-1/>)
2. Yes, Chinese (<http://www.yes-chinese.com/reading/list.do?type=2&level=GR-01&topic=>)
3. Chinese Reading for Preschooler (婴幼儿汉字教学)
4. Chinese For Kids Chinese leveled reading, songs and resources.(儿童中文)
5. 5Q Channel Reading Website: (五子登科)
6. Chinese Text Sampler An Annotated Collection of Digitized Chinese Texts for Students of Chinese Language and Culture <http://www-personal.umich.edu/~dporter/sampler/sampler.html>
7. <http://zhongwen.com/gudian.htm> Classical Chinese Readings
8. Chinapage Stories from Classical Chinese Literature <http://www.chinapage.com/story/story.html>
9. LangNet is a language learning support system with interactive materials designed for those who want to practice and maintain their target language reading and listening skills <https://portal.nflc.umd.edu/langnet>
10. 快乐幼儿华语 (My first Chinese Words) by Better Chinese (www.betterchinese.com) for beginning young readers (not immersion program)
11. 我的中文小故事-曾凡静编著 北京大学出版社 一共40本 for 6-12 Level 2 students
12. 汉语风 中文分级系列读物 主编: 刘月华 储诚志 北京大学出版社 for 9-12 Level 3, level 4 students

upcoming events

Stay tuned for dates for some upcoming events:

- Saturday, June 25 at 10 am - Art class (Greencastle of Barrington, 445 East Main Street)
- Monday, June 27 at 2 pm - BINGO (Greencastle)

(For more information and sign up, visit [Greencastle Activity Link](#))

- Summer (date TBD) - outdoor get-together at Citizens Park
- September (date TBD) - Mid-Autumn Festival event



About Us

Our mission is to advocate for and support the Chinese Immersion Program in District 220, Barrington, Illinois: its families, staff and teachers both in and outside of the classroom with advice, materials and experiences not covered by our tax dollars. We aim to build a strong relationship and sense of community between BCIC, the school district, teachers, staff, participating families and the community at large.

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