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Buddy Day for Incoming Kindergartners

May 10, 2024

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Click here to RSVP for Buddy
Day

[Sign Up Here](#)

BCIC Booth at KidFest Kite Fly & Nature Learning

May 4, 2024

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

SIGN UP to volunteer at the
BCIC booth and spread the
word about the great CI
Program!...

[Sign Up Here](#)



Calling All CI Parents or Guardians to attend the BCIC Meeting!

Agenda

- Have some cookies and snacks while engaging in conversation with fellow CI parents.
- Gratitude Session: BCIC wants to express our heartfelt appreciation for the dedication of our volunteers, whose efforts make it all possible.
- What's on your mind? Share your ideas and feedback.

Parents interested in exploring opportunities to serve on our board are encouraged to stay for more detailed information and discussions. If interested and not able to attend, please email us at BCIC220@gmail.com.

???? Date: Thursday, May 16th

???? Time: 7PM

???? Location: Barrington Area Library Meeting Room B

Don't miss this opportunity to get involved and make a difference in the Chinese immersion community. Together, we can empower students to become global citizens with proficiency in Chinese language and a deep appreciation for Chinese culture.

For more information or to express your interest, please contact bcic220@gmail.com.

Registration greatly appreciated.

RSVP Here

End of Year Celebration 2024

May 17, 2024

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**Countryside Elementary School
Barrington - 205 W County Line Rd**

RSVP Here

Experience an evening of fun activities inspired by Chinese park life!

At the CI End of the Year celebration, you'll have the opportunity to enjoy activities inspired by the bustling and joyful Chinese park culture. Engage in friendly matches of badminton, basketball, Chinese activities and challenge yourself with Chinese board and card games. Never quite sure what you'll see at a park in China, but you know it will be full of people doing their own thing enjoying each other's company!

Food and dessert plans are still being finalized.

 Spiritwearshop 1 Wear BCIC or your School spirit wear!

[\(purchase here\)](#)

Get ready for a time of fun and excitement celebrating our CI students!

****Kindly RSVP, even if unable to attend. Your response is invaluable for our planning purposes.****

We look forward to celebrating with you!

End of Year Volunteer Sign Up
Here

BHS Chinese Tutors

Looking for a boost in Chinese homework or practice? Good news!

Around 25 BHS CI and World Language Chinese Students are eager to help. Email bcic220@gmail.com for your tutor list, complete with contact info, availability, and interests.

This service is exclusively for CI families. Reach out to tutors or their guardians directly to arrange sessions. Big thanks to our amazing students for offering their expertise! ????

If interested in adding your information to the list, please email bcic220@gmail.com. Thanks!

April Event Recaps:

Class of 2024 CI Graduation Party

On Sunday, April 21, BCIC commemorated the remarkable journey and accomplishments of the class of 2024 CI students. This cohort holds a special place as the first to embark on the CI curriculum from kindergarten through graduation.

Amidst an ambiance of camaraderie and nostalgia, graduates, alongside their families, and esteemed D220 administrators & teachers—both past and present—gathered at Barrington's Campus Life Center. Against a backdrop of laughter and reminiscence, they indulged in delectable Chinese cuisine, sharing anecdotes of days gone by, and raising their voices in joyful harmony to the tune of "Friends".

Congratulations resound to the CI Class of 2024! A heartfelt appreciation extends to this pioneering group—both students and parents—who have blazed a trail for future generations of CI and

BCIC. Your unwavering vision, commitment, and perseverance have laid the foundation for an extraordinary educational opportunity.

Thank you for your invaluable contributions to the legacy of CI and BCIC.

Character Bee

The Chinese Character Bee???? was a tremendous success, and we want to extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the **winners and participants** ?. Your dedication and hard work were evident throughout the competition, and you truly made the event vibrant and memorable!

A big thank you goes out to Mrs. Floyd (former Kindergarten teacher) for coming to cheer on and encourage our students! Also we want to thank Mrs. Weerts and our **volunteers** who worked behind the scenes to ensure the smooth running of the event. Your commitment to supporting our students is appreciated and invaluable to the success of the event.

We also want to express our gratitude to the **judges** who dedicated their time and expertise to make the competition kind and enriching for all participants. Your contribution helped make the event a truly rewarding experience.

1st grade:

Gold: Lucas Miller 可达

Silver: Emily Tang 汤佳颖

Bronze: Marco Mineo 方嘉豪

2nd grade:

Gold: Eddie Tang 汤家懿

Silver: Henry Dunn 邓宇浩

Bronze: Ava Ji 纪冉

3rd grade

Gold: Catherine Shafirovich 凯灵

Silver: Mackenzie Kalt 梦淳

Bronze: Emmet Vogel 霍才

4th grade:

Gold: Austin Gong 宫喜

Silver: Alex Chai 柴忆

Bronze: Philipp Ma 马子晨

5th grade:

Gold: Callie Ding 丁海蓝

Silver: Brandon Kim 金博恩

Bronze: Noah Nguyen 诺华

Countryside Art Fair - BCIC Booth

BCIC looks forward to participating at the Countryside Art Fair every spring. BCIC volunteers (Countryside Alums) taught elementary students a little Chinese calligraphy and how to write the word "Spring" in Chinese. Thanks to all the students and families that stopped by our booth!



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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