



# Britannica International School, Shanghai: Curriculum Overview

## Music

- Complex African Drumming patterns
- Varied drumming hand techniques
- Polyrhythmic body percussion rhythms in groups + solos
- Whole class singing + solo verses
- Two-part Blues keyboard playing + solos
- Whole class two-part singing Blues with improvisation
- Brief introduction to Blues music – cultural and historical context

## PE:

### Invasion Games

- Ball Control.
- Passing, Shooting and Dribbling.
- Tactical Awareness.
- Team working skills.
- Rules and Regulations.
- Match Fitness.
- Gameplay.

### Swimming

- Entry and Exit (Crouch and standing Dives).
- Water Skills (Push and Glide Techniques, Floating Positions, Treading Water, Underwater Confidence).
- Swimming Strokes (Freestyle and Breast Stroke).

## Mandarin

**Level 2** - Topics: family, birthday, going to the zoo, colours, school subjects, daily routine and my classmates.

**Level 3** - Topics: school life, weekends, family, hobbies, animals, traffic, countries, neighbourhood.

**Advanced:** To further increase range of vocabulary through character learning. To practise writing paragraphs and short compositions with guidance. Topics to be covered: manners, sports spirit, how to be a tourist, and monkey king.

**Native speakers:** To find and discuss details in texts and to identify author's purposes. To write compositions with around 400 characters and to use some rhetorical devices in writing.

## Mathematics

- Place Value: addition and subtraction using the column and counting up method, order of operations, integers
- Decimals and Fractions: addition/subtraction, ordering
- Algebra: solving equations with 2 unknowns, generate and continue linear sequences
- Multiplication and Division: factors, prime numbers, short division
- Shape: 2d shapes, draw, translate and reflect polygons, find angles, construct 3d shapes using nets

## Science

### Lab Safety

### Electricity

- It's Electrifying
- Circuit symbols
- Volts and Voltage
- Series and parallel circuits
- Resistance
- Buzzwire Monsters

### Light

- How we see
- Reflection and Refraction
- The Spectacular Spectrum
- Shadows
- Seeing Colours

## Topic (Geography and History)

### Map Skills

- Symbols and legends
- Compass and Contours
- 4 and 6 figure grid references
- Map Design and Creation

### The Benin Civilisation

- Africa's past
- Religion
- Art
- The Story of Eweka
- Artefact Exhibition
- A lost kingdom



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## English

### Biographies

- Features of Biographies
- Crafting a Biography

### Fiction – War Horse

- Summary writing
- Descriptive writing
- Sentence Types - Clauses
- Dialogue writing
- PEE paragraph writing

### Non-Fiction

- Formal Letter Writing
- Persuasive Writing
- Newspaper Report (Informative)

### Poetry

- Choral Poetry

## Computing

### • Esafety, Ethics and cyberbullying:

Surf safely and know what information to give out and what to keep private. Know about the ethics of on-line interaction.

### • Graphic Editor:

Advanced use of a graphic editor to “treat” photos and create text graphics.

### • Presentation Editor:

Proficiency in all aspects of PowerPoint presenting. Advanced formatting, making use of Action Buttons and hyperlinks.

## Art

### Edvard Munch:

An introduction to Expressionism and the work of Edvard Munch as well as practical application of this style.

### African Pottery:

Learning about African pottery and clay works. Practical application and basic knowledge of clay.

## PSHE

### Health and Wellbeing:

How can we keep healthy as we grow?

### Native language or Internationalism

Pupils will either study their mother tongue with a native speaker or Internationalism.