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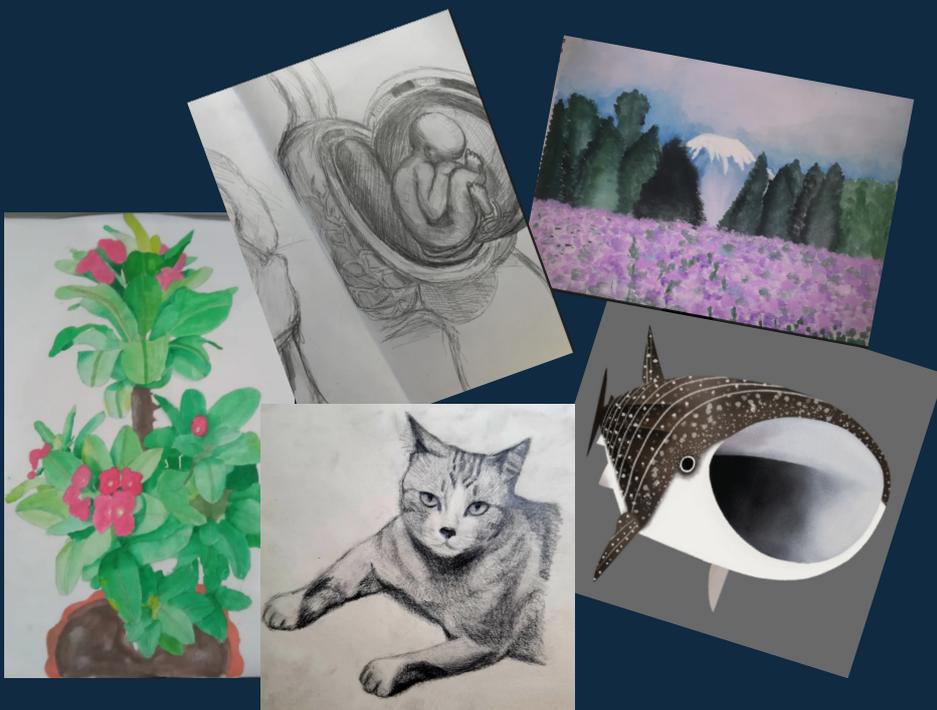
FROM THE SIH TEAM

Welcome Back

We would like to welcome you all back from your half term break and we hope you had a fun and relaxing time over the past two weeks. The SIH team is currently preparing the school for re-opening and details will be sent to you soon outlining what the process will be. It has been a successful first week online, please enjoy the newsletter showcasing some of the fun activities the children participated in this week.

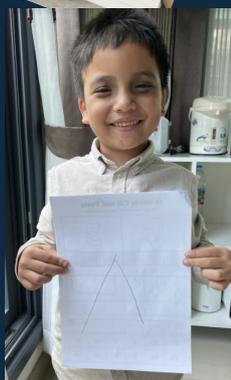
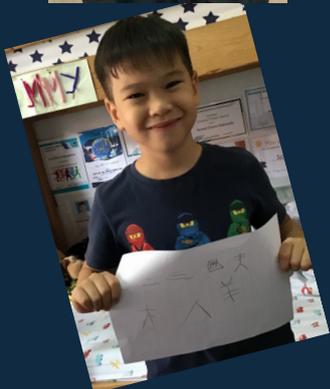
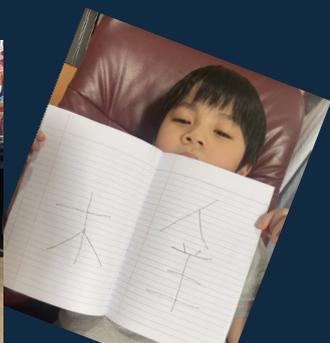
Year 11 and 12

Over the half term break Year 11 and 12 were asked to develop their work on the Natural World. Our secondary school art students have responded with a range of various mediums showing their ability to be highly creative and imaginative. Well done!



Year 1 and 2 - Chinese-Mandarin

After learning about the history & evolution of Chinese characters (from pictures carved in the stone age caves to systematic patterns of strokes today), Year 2 Sammy, Prem and Year 1 Alice, Ben Ben found that Chinese character writing is fun and interesting to learn and couldn't wait to write some of the words like mouth (口), mountain (山), fire (火), sun (日), people (人), goat (羊), and tree/wood (木). Can you see/imagine the images that these words represent?





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Year 7 - Global Perspectives

This week, Year 7 students were learning all about the story of Prince Rama in Global Perspectives as part of their Belief Systems topic. Students made use of Google Animals to take pictures of their favourite animals from the story. Well done everyone!



ICT/Computing

In ICT we have introduced some of the secondary students to C++ programming. We are using an online platform which uses a computer game to learn the code. Students must code the characters to complete the different stages of the game. Students are learning key vocabulary for the programming unit and also learning the basic syntax, and features such as loops and variables as they work their way through the challenges and tasks.



Year 6

This week, Y6 continued our exploration of Extreme survivors by doing a deep dive into the ocean! We had a look at the difficult conditions in the depths of the deep ocean - crushing pressure, lack of oxygen, no light and researched some of the weird and wonderful creatures that call the deep ocean home. We looked into the Colossal squid, the Bigfin squid (which has only been recorded in 8 videos!) the Sea cucumber, the Vampire squid and the Siphonophore.





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Year 3

As an introduction to our new topic 'footprints from the past', year 3 have been making their own Dino dioramas and fossils!



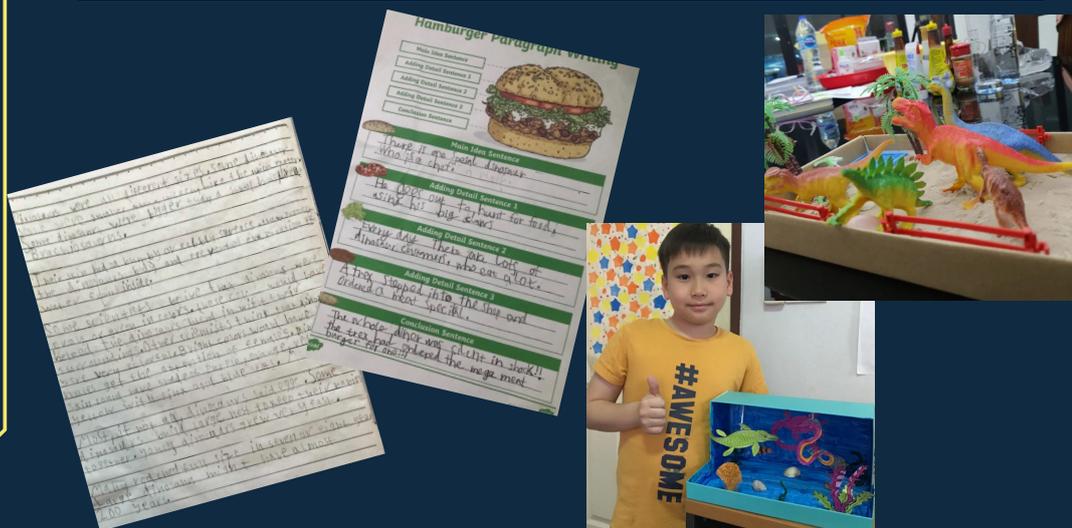
Year 8 - Music

Year 8 students have been learning how to read guitar tablature as part of the 'Playing the Guitar' unit they are studying this term. Guitar tab as it is more commonly known is a simple way of notating guitar music as an alternative to using traditional music score. This method allows students to easily visualise how to execute new playing techniques such as: hammer ons, pull offs, glissando slides, string bends and even sweep picking the guitar. All of the students can now read and perform some famous riffs on the guitar from songs such as Smoke on the Water by Black Sabbath, 7 Nation Army by the White Stripes and Come As You Are by Nirvana. This week Peak and Future used a digital tab sheet to compose their own guitar riffs, which they performed for the rest of the class as part of an online performance.



Year 4

While waiting for most of the students to submit their English and IPC work, we have some really nice pieces of writing and a diorama to share with you guys. A great way to start this midterm.





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New EAL Teacher

This week SIH welcomed their new EAL teacher - Mr Chris who has joined us from the UK. Please join us in welcoming him to the team and the SIH family.

Message from Mr Chris - EAL

I have had 3 full days at SIH and I have to say I have loved every minute. I'd like to say a heart-felt thank you to all of the students who attended the classes. I am really excited to continue our journey together and helping you all improve your English. Also thank you to all of the SIH family for making me feel so at home.

Halloween

Today the whole school dressed up in costumes and scary makeup to celebrate Halloween. Staff and students attended lessons online wearing some interesting and creative designs. The Halloween competition deadline has been extended until Sunday 31st of October so there is still time to submit your photographs for scariest makeup, scariest costume and most original costume. Happy Halloween everyone!!!!

