



THE
BRITISH
SCHOOL
IN TOKYO

Annual Fund

Impact Report 2021-2022





Principal's Review

In establishing our Annual Fund last year, we sought to provide increasingly exceptional and inspiring opportunities beyond our already extraordinary provision. The dazzling range of projects, often conceived and delivered by the students themselves, represented not only world-class collaborations with artists, writers, and activists, but also brilliant opportunities for students to develop their own creativity and leadership.

I would like to express my warmest thanks to all the donors, parents, staff and all our partners in the wider Tokyo community who have contributed to the success of the Annual Fund.

I am delighted that in our inaugural year, a total of 5.5 million JPY was raised, with seven projects approved by the allocation committee for funding. These projects have created opportunities to further extend and celebrate the unique talents of our students right across the school.

These include:

- An 'Artist in Residence' programme.
- A whole school Literary Festival.
- A science, technology and art expo.
- Hundreds of acclaimed Japanese novels and current non-fiction titles in Secondary and Primary libraries.

- Live streaming technology for inter-school sport.
- Design and creation by students of our skateboard park at BST Nagasawa Ground.
- New Primary reading materials with a focus on diversity, equity and inclusion.

BST is a remarkable school, and generous donations have allowed us to go the extra mile in providing outstanding experiences for students. Looking ahead, we hope to build on the success of the first year and further enrich the lives of our students and the school community.

Your participation in this exciting project will continue to be crucial. By contributing to the Annual Fund, you will ensure BST learners have the chance to develop new skills, contribute to exciting projects and enjoy new experiences. All gifts, whether large or small, are meaningful and much appreciated. We look forward to working with you to ensure the growth and success of this year's Annual Fund.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Paul Tough, Principal





Literary Festival Events

Delivered in March 2022

Annual Fund contribution JPY620,000

- 8 workshops with Professor Mariko Nagai, award-winning poet and author at Temple University Japan.
- 6 online 'Meet the Author' events across the whole school with Chris Vick, Elle McNicholl, Dean Atta, Marie Lu, Roxie Munro, Tanya Bhatt, Ross Kinnaird and Satoshi Kitamura.
- Poetry performance and writing workshops with award-winning poet Harry Baker for all Year 9 and 10 students.
- 4 evening events on local history, environmental activism, internationalism, politics and writing in Japan.
- Interhouse Charity Book Drive & Sale.

The Literary Festival was a highlight of the Annual Fund projects. Delighting young writers from Year 1-13 with poetry, workshops, author events, and star-studded panels, it made a lasting impact at BST. Featuring journalists from The Times, The Financial Times, The BBC and Bloomberg, parents, alumni and students were stimulated and inspired.



Feedback from students: Alicia Mullan (Year 12) and Hannah Kagimoto (Year 10) 'At the event 'A Writer's Role in Activism', James Miller offered powerful insights into how the protests worked and what they were able to achieve. One of the most interesting anecdotes he shared was how protesters would get arrested on purpose, in order to gain the forum of the court hearing to highlight their cause. The determination and courage of the protesters was so inspiring and we gained a real sense of urgency in our work to combat climate change and to persuade those in power to make dramatic changes in government policy.'



THE DARK BULL

MONSTER WAR

The WILD Things!

Robin Hood

100% Cotton



Skateboard Park (Nagasawa Ground)

Delivered in April 2022

Annual Fund contribution JPY356,000

- Designed and made by students themselves, the Park was opened in April 2022.
- Open to students from Year 4 for play and learning.
- Welcomes all levels - total beginners to experienced skaters.
- Volunteers from Year 10 helped to physically build the Park as part of their International Award programme.
- Plans are in place for further skate programmes to run in school holidays.







Artist in Residence Project

Started in September 2022

Annual Fund contribution JPY2,200,000

- Students are working with celebrated Japanese artist Aoyama Satoru.
- The project starts in Term One 2022-23, and will continue into 2023-24 academic year.
- The jointly-produced artwork will be placed in BST's new Primary School campus at Toranomon-Azabudai.
- Primary students will make range of artwork including clocks to represent and explore different time zones.
- Secondary students will create 'Diversity Map' in collaboration with Aoyama, representing the multinational nature of the BST community.



Planning Drawings for
"Diversity Map" #1





Diversity Library

Delivered in June 2022

Annual Fund contribution JPY368,000

- Expanded collections with fresh titles in every Primary classroom to reflect our diverse community.

Japanese Reading for Pleasure

Delivered in June 2022

Annual Fund contribution JPY257,000

- Significant investment in to expand popular fiction and non-fiction titles in both Primary and Secondary libraries.
- Enhance provision for bilingual readers and especially Japanese book clubs (Sakura Book Club), by expanding our range of graphic novels, manga, history and journalism in Japanese.





Sports Camera Livelink

Delivered in September 2022

Annual Fund contribution JPY323,000

- Records sports fixtures in higher quality and create the opportunity to live stream sport fixtures.
- Allows the community to support our sports teams from home.
- Analysis software provides better understanding of athletic performance and support with coaching BST Lions (competitive teams).
- Enables students to collect and edit their own footages as part of their examination coursework requirement.
- Brings BST into line with best practice in the region.

Science, Technology and Mathematics Week

To be delivered in November 2022

Annual Fund contribution JPY730,000

- A week of problem solving challenging students' abilities in Science, Technology and Mathematics.
- Students, staff and parents prompted to think critically, collaborate and be creative when tackling real world problems.





Ways to give

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