



**On the ball:** Female soccer players from the Second Middle School of Jiangyin, East China's Jiangsu province, train in the winter sunshine on Dec 9. XU CONGJUN / FOR CHINA DAILY



**Puppet show:** Members of a puppet troupe from Mongolia perform during the China Quanzhou International Puppet Festival in Quanzhou, East China's Fujian province, on Dec 11. Thirty-one international puppet troupes attended the festival, which began on Dec 8. LIN SHANCHUAN / XINHUA



**Snow business** (far left): A ski trainer from Switzerland instructs a team in Zhangshanying town, whose members are from neighboring villages in Beijing's Yanqing district, where the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympic Games will be held. JU HUANCONG / XINHUA

**Cool view** (left): After a heavy snowfall, the sun shines through snow-covered frozen tree branches in Hulunbair, North China's Inner Mongolia autonomous region, on Dec 9. YU CANGJUN / FOR CHINA DAILY

**Tour de force** (right): Fifty-eight Miss Tourism World contestants pose for a photo while visiting Wuyuan, in the eastern Jiangxi province, on Dec 10. SHI GUANGDE / FOR CHINA DAILY



**Late bloom:** Flowers attract a butterfly at Fuzhou National Forest Park during warm winter weather in Fuzhou, East China's Fujian province. HUI YONGCUN / XINHUA