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Zhu Hai International School weekly newsletter



From the First Floor

Dear ZIS Community,

Happy New Year! We've enjoyed a wonderful first week of 2022, what a joy to welcome everyone back to campus, refreshed and rejuvenated.

As the first semester draws to a close, many of our after-school activities conclude. This is prime time for your input - you are invited to recommend options for semester two, or perhaps you wish to offer an ASA for the students yourself - all ideas are welcome. If you would like to see a new sport or activity, please do get in touch.

These next weeks involve final preparations for our Chinese New Year

celebration. We have decided to adjust our plans for the Year of the Tiger to make it a full week of celebrations, from January 17 to 21st. Originally the event was calendared for Saturday, January 22 - so please update your diaries. More details will be shared soon.

We have much to look forward to in the coming weeks and months:

- Battle of the Books
- Model United Nations
- Parent Workshops
- ZIS Sports Days
- Guest Speakers, including Dr. Chen and ZIS Alumni
- IB Evaluation
- PYP Exhibition, MYP Personal Projects, and DP Visual Arts
- and more!

With the arrival of a new year it is time for our expatriate teachers to make decisions for the new academic year. We will recognize and celebrate our leaving staff in June and have advertised our open positions for the 2022-23 school year on our school website. If you know any passionate and talented teachers who are seeking their next placement with an innovative and caring school community, please encourage them to visit our employment page online and get in contact.

Lastly, today we learned of two COVID cases in Shenzhen. Thank you for continuing to support the school's role in epidemic prevention and control. Please continue to monitor your family's health at home notify us when your child has a fever or any health concerns. Our original COVID prevention and control plan remains closely followed - please take some time to review its contents:

[ZIS COVID Prevention and Control Plan](#)

I wish you all a happy and prosperous 2022!

Warm Regards,

Andrew VanderMeulen

Upcoming Events

January 3-7: Year 11-13 Mock Exams

January 8: Saturday Sports 2022 begins @ 9:30

January 8: Saturday Yoga @10-11am

January 13-15: Model United Nations

January 17-21: Chinese Culture Week

January 26: Reports Published & Early Dismissal (12:45pm)

January 27-Feb 8: CNY holidays

February 9: First day of classes in the Year of the Tiger

February 14: Book Month begins

March 7: Book Week

March 15: Parent Teacher Conferences

...view the school calendar online at <http://zischina.com/calendars/>



Perfectly Primary

Welcome to 2022

Happy New Year! I hope everyone's new year has started successfully. 2022 brings many great events for the Primary School.

Before we break up for Spring Festival, you will receive your child's semester one report card to read about your child's successes in the first semester.

After the Holiday, we will jump into book month/week. Book Month is a month that is dedicated to the importance of reading. Then, during the last week, there will be a series of activities that promote the joy and fun of reading. A new event for the ZIS Primary School but one that we are sure will become a new school tradition.

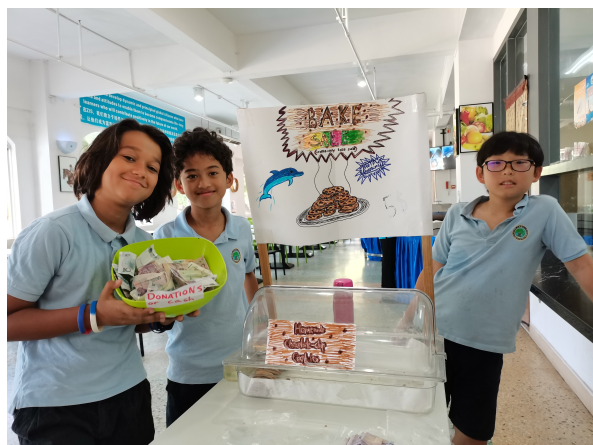
Semester 2 also sees the Year 6 PYP Exhibition. The PYP Exhibition is the culminating project of Primary School where the Year 6 students showcase everything they have learnt during their time in Primary School.

In addition, there will be more opportunities for learning through parents workshops, an additional parent-teacher conference and a plethora of other great events. 2022 is shaping up to be an exciting year.

Kind Regards,

Michael Lattimore

Head of EY and Primary



Have a look at a few of our Exhibition memories from last year!

Secondary Segment

Dear parents and students,

Welcome to 2022! May this year bestow blessings and good fortune among all of us.

Prior to the December holiday, nine students showcased their knowledge and celebrated their learning by participating in The World Scholar's Cup. Hosted by the Shenzhen College of International Education, the Scholar's Bowl is a team competition in which competitors race against the clock to solve questions and challenges that connect classroom learning with pop culture. ZIS sent three teams who competed in the Senior Division and proudly represented our school. All teams qualified for the global round to be held in Shanghai this summer. Congratulations to Y8 Gloria, Y8 Jasmine, Y9 Adrian, Y9 Celine, Y9 Tim, Y10 Alex, Y10 Iris, Y10 Melody, and Y10 Felix.

Mock exams for years 11-13 concluded this week. These examinations are intended to assist with and prepare students for April / May sessions. Good job to these students who navigated through this process.

Secondary students continue to move full steam ahead with two competitions on the horizon in January. Model United Nations (MUN) and AMC 8 Mathematics will allow our students to showcase their skills and talents in varying arenas. Best of luck to those students who are about to embark on these journeys.

A friendly reminder:

The end of semester one is rapidly approaching. Early dismissal and report generation are scheduled for January 26.

Warm Regards,

Danielle Tucker
Head of Secondary

WHAT'S COOKING?

SCHOOL
LUNCH



Lunch Menus,
our food safety guidelines,
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"The Banyan" Newsletter
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