

# THE BANYAN



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Zhu Hai International School weekly newsletter



## From the First Floor

Dear ZIS Community,

It was another full week and one where we happily welcomed the return of the island sunshine and blue skies.

Ruby (Year 11), as part of her MYP Personal Project, hosted and performed in the first of three concerts here on campus. Through music she is hoping to raise funds for a Zhuhai Special Education school and the campaign is already off to a fantastic start. Projects such as these are student driven, based on their passions, and real platforms for growth as leaders and thinkers. Well done to Ruby and we look forward to the upcoming concerts and the other projects of her Year 11 peers.

This Thursday we hosted an inspection team from the local education and health authorities. We appreciate their thoroughness and the outside perspective they bring to our daily operations. Their inspection reviewed four areas in particular: our kitchen and canteen service, our security and CCTV systems, our fire and emergency preparedness, and of course our epidemic prevention and control measures. Congratulations are deserved in each of these areas for a job well done.

We held our second emergency evacuation drill of the year on Thursday, this time reviewing procedures in the event of a bus emergency. Students reviewed how to safely following the instructions of the bus monitor, to exit the rear of the bus in a safe manner, and how to stay safe when gathering outside of the bus. Thank you to our bus drivers and bus monitors for their professional approach to carrying out their duties.

Health and safety remain a top priority for our students and staff. Parent support of our community is important as well, and so if you have any observations, comments, or questions to share please reach out.

Warm Regards,

**Andrew VanderMeulen**

**Head of School**

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- The Banyan Award 2022 -  
*Inviting student submissions  
of poetry, prose, audio,  
video, or visual art*





THE  
BANYAN  
AWARD

2022



Theme:  
"Strength in the Year of the  
Tiger"

For more details visit:  
<http://zischina.com>

## Upcoming Events

**March 7-11:** Book Week

**March 15:** Parent Teacher Conferences

**March 18:** Primary Sports Day

**March 22:** Parent Workshop: 21st Century Literacy

**March 25:** Secondary Sports Day

**April 4-8:** Qing Ming & Spring Break

**April 18-22:** MAP Growth Testing

**April 23:** International Day

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

## Perfectly Primary

### Book Week: Just Read!

It is finally here! Just Read starts on Monday! We have many activities that relate to reading and this starts on Monday. We will have a great week of

reading which includes book show and tells, drop everything and read, battle of books and many more. This will be concluded with our Book Month Assembly where students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character.

March also has two other great events! On March 18th, we will have our Primary School Sports Day! We will find out who can run the fastest, jump the furthest, throw the longest, and more! On March 15th, we will have our Student-Led Conference. Students will be very excited for you to come into school so they can show you their favourite learning and reflect about the great progress they have made this year. A very marvellous March indeed!

Kind Regards,

**Michael Lattimore**

**Head of EY and Primary**





ZHUHAI  
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

March						
	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26

# BOOK

what will you SHARE?

We love this book because

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Book Show & Tell

Read with MYP

Come chat with us in the library!

Ms. Charlotte

Ms. Yan

Book Week FASHION SHOW

Awards Assembly Friday Afternoon

## JUST READ

## JUST READ

MARCH 7-11

# MONDAY

# TUESDAY

# WEDNESDAY

# THURSDAY

# FRIDAY

# Secondary Segment



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Dear Parents and Students,

American Mathematics Competition (AMC), organized by *Mathematical Association of America* (MAA) is widely recognized by well-known universities from around the world, especially universities in the USA.

AMC 8 was held in January for students Years 9 and below. AMC 10 was held in November for students in Year 11 and below while AMC 12 is for students in Years 12 and 13.

AMC not only tests students' knowledge and ability in Math, more importantly, students are encouraged to finish all questions within limited time, which requires students be familiar enough with questions and manage their time and stay focused. Competition problems are designed to challenge while connecting to middle school Mathematics standards to ensure they are within the reach of students. Students who take the AMC have the opportunity to develop critical and creative thinking skills, which better prepares them to succeed in college Math classes. Furthermore, Mathematics drives the innovations that shape our society and is useful in a broad range of careers, even those that are not traditionally mathematical, scientific, or technological in nature.

The AMC 8 training takes place every other Fridays and aims to help students practice the types of questions that frequently appear at the competitions such as those related to sequencing, permutations, probability, geometry and physics. They learn to answer questions efficiently while holding their curiosity and keeping minds sharp.

In the 2022 fall semester, ZIS will organize more intensive training for AMC 8 and AMC 10, in order to prepare students for the upcoming tests in November 2022 and in January 2023. Students with high enough scores in AMC 10 are invited to attend AIME, which is a benefit to college application.

Warm Regards,

**Shihui Tang**  
**College Counsellor**

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2022 American Mathematics Competitions

# AMC 8

Junior & Elementary

*American Mathematics Competitions*



**Organizer:** Mathematical Association of America

**Partner in China:** ASDAN China

**Participants:** Junior: Year 7-8

Elementary: Year 4-6

**Date:** 22nd January, 2022 10:00-10:40 (40 mins)

(Please note that the examination time is subject to the official notice.)

**Location:** Exam Centers across China / Online

**Language:** English and Chinese

**Format:** 25 multiple choice questions

**Registration:** 1.Registration organized by schools.

2.Scan the QR code to register.

**Website:** [www.asdanchina.com.cn/amc8-en/](http://www.asdanchina.com.cn/amc8-en/)

**Telephone:** 4001699686

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SCHOOL  
LUNCH



Lunch Menus,  
our food safety guidelines,  
and past editions of  
"The Banyan" Newsletter  
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at [zischina.com](http://zischina.com)

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