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From the First Floor

Dear ZIS Community,

Congratulations to the Year 6 class who presented their **PYP Exhibition** with such expertise and confidence this week. The PYPx song, the speeches, the visuals, the interactions, the presentations – so inspirational and a testament to all of their research, thinking, and reflection over these past weeks.

Statements. On Monday we were so pleased to welcome Primary and Secondary parents to review the parent feedback recently collected through the Guiding Statement Survey. Tuesday brought together the eight members of the Guiding Statement Oversight Team, responsible for bringing the student, parent and staff input together with their own vision for the future of our school. Friday the Team met again to further refine, renew and revise the school mission and shared values. There is still much work to be done still in the weeks ahead – our goal is to begin next year with this major task completed.

The final weeks of the school year are upon us already. We will be celebrating student awards, graduating our Year 13 class to their universities of choice, supporting students as they transition from one IB programme to the next, saying farewell to friends as they depart to new cities, wishing good luck to teachers venturing to new homes, all the while welcoming the families who will join us in August. We move into our 15-year anniversary in 2022-23 with great expectations for an even more action packed and enriching school year, but first, let's savour these remaining days together as we move into the summer.

Speaking of summer, ZIS students are invited to our **Summer Camp 2022**. See the details below for more information. Already our Secondary students are volunteering to practice their leadership skills as junior counselors and the learning plans are nearly set for two weeks of learning and fun for Primary students (this year's Y2-Y5) and Middle School students (this year's Y6 and up). If you have any questions about our plans, please write me, I'm happy to share the vision and details further.

Congratulations to our Year 6 class again, but also to the Year 11 and Year 13 students who have completed their IB examinations. New challenges await but enjoy these moments of accomplishment in the weeks ahead.

Warm Regards,

Andrew VanderMeulen

Head of School













We are hosting another Parent Workshop!





Effective Communication

Talking With our children





Tuesday, May 31, 2022

@ 10:00 on Campus

Brought to you by the ZIS team.

























我们即将启动 新一期家长工作坊!





有效沟通





2022年5月31日, 星期二上午十点,校园见!















Upcoming Events

May 31: Parent Workshop: Effective Communication 10:00 @ ZIS

June 3: Dragon Boat Festival

June 14: Step Up / Transition Day

June 16: Secondary Awards / Graduation

June 22: Reception Graduation & Y1-2 Awards

June 23: Year 6 Graduation & Y3-6 Awards

June 24: Last Day of School (12:45 dismissal)

June 27: Summer Camp - Week 1
July 4: Summer Camp - Week 2

Perfectly Primary

HOW THE WORLD WORKS

This week saw the PYP Exhibition. After many months of hard work, the students were ready to present their learning, and they did incredibly!

The Year 6s presented for two days and spoke to all school community members. On the first day, the Year 6s presented to students and teachers in the school. They spoke to students as young as EY to older students in Year 11, and they also spoke to different teachers about their learning journeys.

Day 2 was for the parents. We hosted an evening session so all the Year 6 parents could come and be a part of the great learning that the students have done.

The Year 6 students did an amazing job and set a very high standard for all future Exhibitions! Many congratulations to the students, and thank you to Mr Liam and Ms Judy for their hard work and the mentors and parents who made the exhibition possible.

Kind Regards,

Michael Lattimore

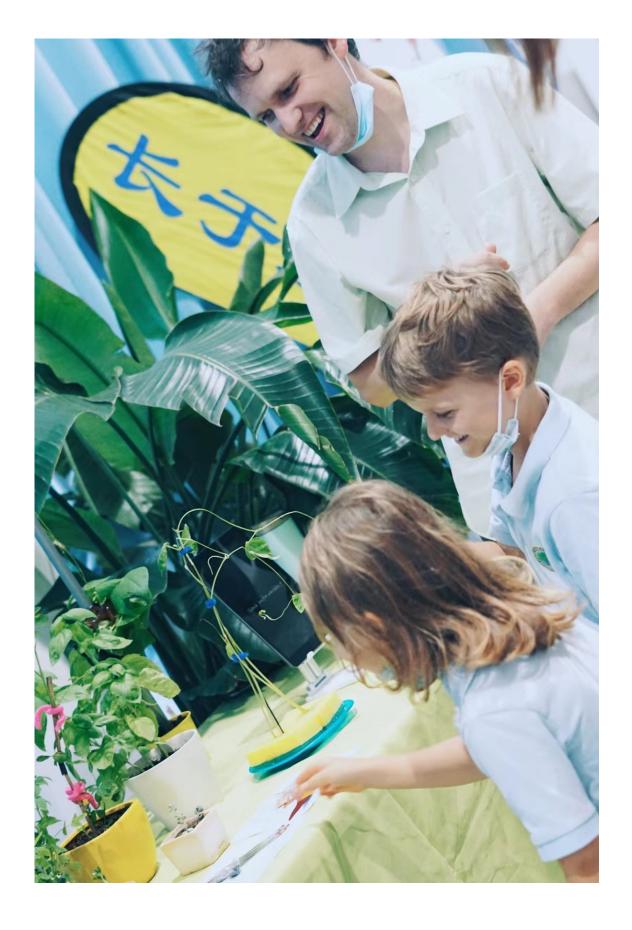
Head of EY and Primary

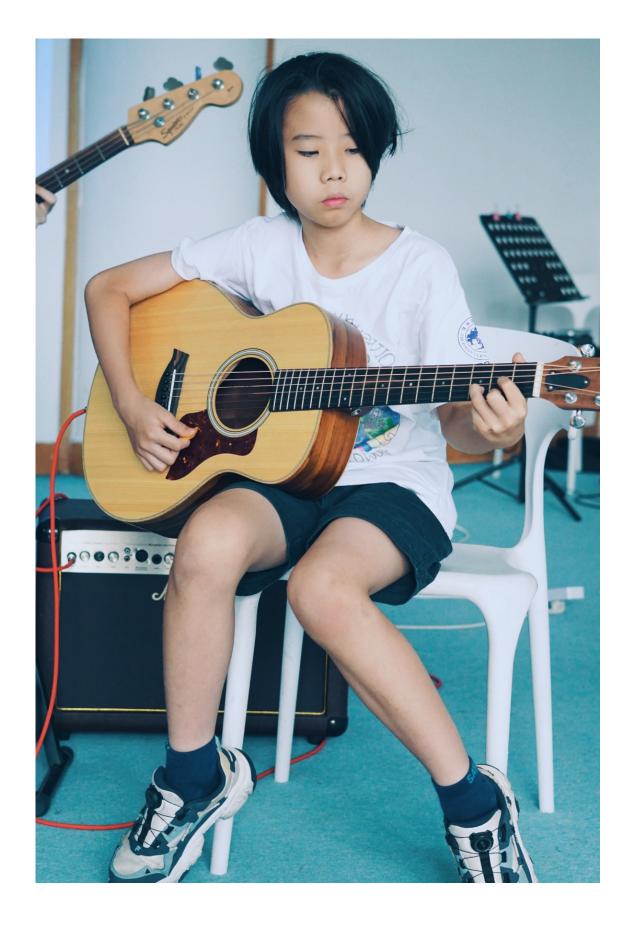


























Secondary Segment

TRANSCRIPTS

A student's transcript is crucial in the college application process. Universities require us to provide students' grades for the last four years, i.e. Y10, Y11, Y12 and Y13, as well as predicted grades based on past performance.

Predicted grades are meant to accurately reflect the students prior performance and their likelihood of future performance. Our teachers take great pride in understanding their students, encourage their growth and achievement, and we rely on them to use their professional judgement to anticipate the likeliest results for the IB evaluations which blend the subject coursework and the external IB evaluations. Universities know the IB assessment protocols very well and expect consistency from schools. Our goal for every student is that they gain access to the best school for their passions and career objectives.

What should students be working towards? Top universities in the UK and Australia expect an overall score no less than 36 points (from a total of 45) including a minimum of 18 points from their best 3 Higher Level subjects.

Universities in the United States, Canada, Singapore and other countries do not specify the overall score; so the application result is difficult to predict. They not only take the IB score into consideration but will consider students' ACT/SAT score as well as the academic potential, personalities and involvement in extra curricular and service activities.

Application requirements vary by country and university. The scores listed below are not for guaranteed entry, but a guide. Please Note: Some of the information, such as the university data, may not be current. For the most accurate admissions requirements, please feel welcome to write and I will research the school for you. All top schools understand the IB and identify the DP score expectations for each of their programs.

Please refer to the following information as comparison and analysis and check the individual university websites for further details. (Remember, the total points possible in the IB Diploma Programme (DP) is 45 points, which includes the 6 subjects studied, TOK, and EE).

| Australia | Australian National University | 36+ |
|-----------|--------------------------------|-----|
| | Monash University | 32+ |
| | University of Melbourne | 35+ |
| | UNSW Australia | 34+ |
| | University of Queensland | 32+ |
| | University of Sydney | 34+ |
| Canada | Carleton University | 31+ |
| | Concordia University | 31+ |
| | McGill University | 36+ |
| | Queen's University | 33+ |
| | University of British Columbia | 33+ |
| | University of Toronto | 34+ |
| | University of Waterloo | 33+ |

| The Chinese University of Hong Kong | 36.8+ |
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| City University of Hong Kong | 33.1+ |
| The Hong Kong Polytechnic University | 32.3+ |
| The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology | 37.1+ |
| The University of Hong Kong | 37.1 |
| King's College London | 37+ |
| Queen Mary, University London | 34+ |
| University College London | 38+ |
| University of Bath | 36+ |
| University of Edinburgh | 36+ |
| University of Manchester | 37+ |
| University of Warwick | 37+ |
| Boston University | 34+ |
| New York University | 36+ |
| Purdue University | 34+ |
| University of California-Berkeley | 38+ |
| University of California-Los Angeles | 38+ |
| University of Pennsylvania | 38+ |
| | City University of Hong Kong The Hong Kong Polytechnic University The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology The University of Hong Kong King's College London Queen Mary, University London University College London University of Bath University of Edinburgh University of Manchester University of Warwick Boston University New York University Purdue University University of California-Berkeley University of California-Los Angeles |

Learning is a long process of accumulation. Students are encouraged to always give 100% to their learning and to work towards their best scores for each subject in order to be closer to their dream school.

I would be happy to meet with you if you would like to learn more about how we support students through the university application process - please write me at

Warm regards,

Stella Tang

College Counsellor

SUMMER CAMP 2022

Registration is **OPEN** and ZIS is offering **TWO** Summer Camps this year!

Who: ZIS Students

What: Primary Camp (present Years 2-5) and Middle School Camp (present Years

6+)

When: Week 1 = June 27 to July 1, Week 2 = July 4 - 8, 9am-3pm daily

Where: ZIS Campus

Fees (Cash to ZIS Office):

6500 RMB for 2 weeks

3500 RMB for 1 week

Fees include: action packed days of learning and fun, snack and lunch provided by

the ZIS canteen (optional), access to bus transport (optional)

Early Bird Discount:

Payments received on or before June 3 receive 10% discount

Transport:

Bus routes will be arranged based on registrations – we will do our best to arrange transport to pick up points in Zhuhai and Zhongshan.

Registration closes on June 14.

Register early to avoid disappointment!

Refund Policy:

Camps will be cancelled and all camp fees refunded if COVID or another calamitous event so requires. Camp will not be rescheduled.

Refund requests by June 17 = 100% Refund

Refund requests by June 24 = 50% Refund

With regrets, further refunds after June 24 are not available. No refunds are available for days absent.

Maximum # of students for Primary Camp = 40 students

Maximum # of students for Middle School Camp = 20 students

Each Camp will have a **10:1** student to teacher ratio or better. Additionally, we plan to be further supported by intern university students from the Beijing Institute of Technology (BIT) and further supported by ZIS junior camp counselors.

Upper Secondary students are invited to join the Primary Camp as junior counselors. Email summercamp@zischina.com to express your interest.

All questions regarding camp can be directed to the School Office or to summercamp@zischina.com

SCAN the QR CODE to REGISTER:



Lunch Menus, our food safety guidelines, and past editions of "The Banyan" Newsletter

are available at <u>zischina.com</u>







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