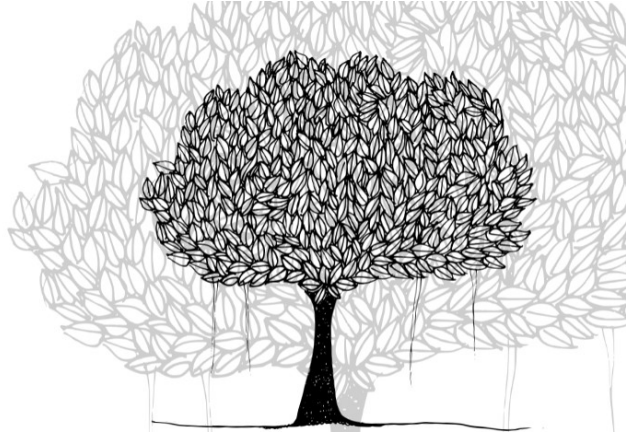


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From the First Floor

Dear ZIS Community,

Thank you parents for all of your feedback shared in the recent CIS Community Survey. Your input provides "fresh eyes" on our efforts, a valued perspective informing our ongoing school development.

You might have noted the focus given to global citizenship on the survey. As an IB World School, developing international-mindedness in our students is central to our mission. We state that we are serving Zhuhai and the Greater Bay Area to: "develop dynamic and principled global citizens", and since the beginning of 2021, we set the challenge of defining for ourselves what it means to be a "global citizen". Not only are these points important for today - but we believe they are important for tomorrow as well:

At ZIS, a "global citizen" is someone who...

1. seeks an understanding of the wider world
2. develops an identity that involves the capacity and responsibility to make positive change in their world
3. collaborates with others to pursue equity and sustainability
4. takes action to advance peace in the world
5. practices service learning in their global engagement
6. applies creative and critical thinking to world issues

7. leads through empathy, values diversity, and respects otherness

Our commitment to teaching global citizenship involves:

- intentionally planning for curricular and co-curricular learning that is embedded in all programmes
- delivering age-appropriate global citizenship learning in relation to the above 7 outcomes
- maximizing the school's cultural context to inform local and global citizenship
- seeking ways to measure, assess, and further develop student's development of global citizenship and intercultural learning
- providing a culturally sensitive learning environment, employing culturally responsive pedagogy
- involving all stakeholders in adopting, supporting, and furthering our school mission to develop global citizens

With over 20 nationalities represented on campus and creative and passionate teachers from across the globe, we work toward these 7 outcomes, purposefully learning from each other with open-minds and a hunger to understand this world we call home.

I wish you all a wonderful October holiday and share a special welcome to the new students joining us in October when we return on Monday, October 11th. Have a fantastic National Day tomorrow - enjoy the festivities in your community. Please remember to report to the school if you depart the city as we continually are expected to update the Education Bureau. Please see the most recent NewsFlash for all of the details.

Warm Regards,

Andrew VanderMeulen

Head of School

Upcoming Events

October 1-10: National Day / October Holiday

October 11: Couch to 2k begins!

October 16: Weekend Warrior Songwriter Camp begins!

October 18-22: MAP Growth Testing

Perfectly Primary

FIRST PRIMARY SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

"Education is a natural process carried out by the child and is not acquired by listening to words but by experiences in the environment." Dr Maria Montessori

In the ZIS Primary School, we had our first field trips of the years. Year 3 went to Hestia (a local restaurant) to learn how to make pizza as part of their unit about wellbeing and healthy choices. Year 1 went to Gree Coast to work and develop relationships. Year 2 went to a local community to see how the community functions.

As the quote from Dr Montessori says, education is formed from experiences in the environment. While our students have multiple learning experiences during the school day, going out into the real world creates a deeper understanding. Students will understand that what they are learning in class has real-world connections and develop skills and ideas that will transfer to their lives inside and outside school.

Have a look at how our students engaged with each other and their environment.

Kind Regards,

Michael Lattimore
Head of Primary





Secondary Segment

Dear parents and students,

有朋自远方来，不亦乐乎？ Is it not delightful to have friends coming from afar? The words of Confucius came to my mind when Jason Yu, our 2019 graduate, paid us a visit this week. His presentation for the whole school and feedback he gave our DP English students were unforgettable.

Jason's main message was to inspire the students to believe in themselves and constantly develop new skills. Drawing upon his own experience, he provided many examples of how MYP and DP courses have shaped him as a learner and a successful entrepreneur. The students were amazed to see how crucial collaboration, communication and creative thinking are in running your own business.

It was very impressive to see our MYP students engage in Jason's business presentation asking him numerous questions about everyday life of a young business owner in a very competitive sports card trading market. From their faces you could see the realization that life success depends on dedication, passion and hard work.

We would like to thank Jason for his visit and wish him all the best in his business ventures and a successful completion of his course at Hong Kong Metropolitan University.

Regards,

Mike Piotrowski
Middle Years Programme Coordinator





MONDAYS after school.
See you on the track!



WEEKEND WARRIOR

Facilitated by Mr. John Emery Miller

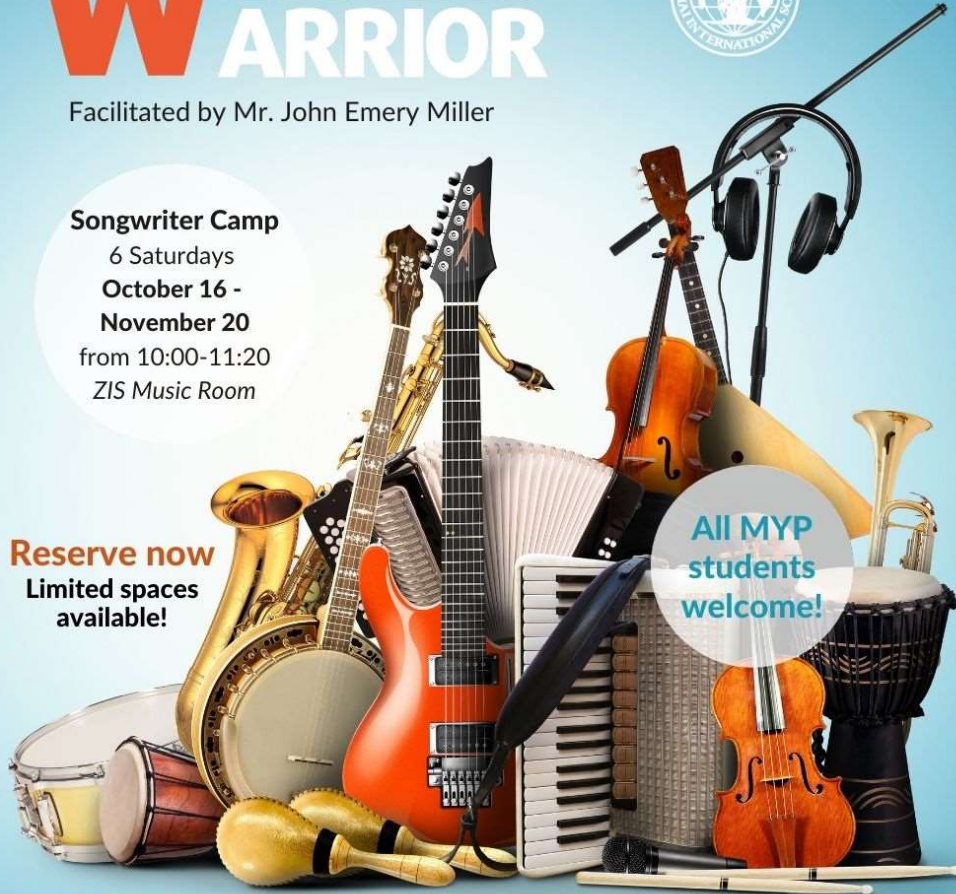


Songwriter Camp

6 Saturdays
October 16 -
November 20
from 10:00-11:20
ZIS Music Room

Reserve now
Limited spaces
available!

All MYP
students
welcome!



WHAT'S COOKING?

SCHOOL
LUNCH



Lunch Menus,
our food safety guidelines,
and past editions of
"The Banyan" Newsletter
are available
at zischina.com

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Scan the first QR code to join our Saturday Sports WeChat group.

Scan the second QR code to join our Parent/Teacher group, FRIENDS Of ZIS.

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