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From the First Floor

Dear ZIS Community,

This year marks year four of our preparations for accreditation with the Council of International Schools. Our goal in working with CIS is to drive school improvement using the globally recognized standards employed by top schools, including many notable top IB schools. Throughout, we've committed our efforts to sustainable and enduring institutional change for the betterment of student learning. A part of this effort is to annually survey our parents using the CIS Community Survey shared below. Parents, whether you are new or returning, please take some time to share your insights with us. Your input is much appreciated and will be used to inform future decision making.



Dear Parents,

The leadership team, teachers, and staff of ZIS are interested in what you think about our school. Please take a moment to complete the CIS Community Survey, which will help identify the strengths of the school and areas for improvement.

The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. You should complete one survey per child enrolled in the school. We hope you can spare some time to help the school in its desire to improve. The survey will be available until September 30, 2021.

To access the survey, please click on this link: https://survey.cois.org/s3/Parent-Guardian-2020-2021-Zhuhai-International-School

The survey is available in many languages - clicking on the globe on the top right of the screen and select your preferred language.

If you have any questions or need support, please contact zis@zischina.com. Thank you very much for completing the survey.

尊敬的家长们,

ZIS的管理团队、教师们和员工们都很有兴趣了解您对珠海国际学校的看法。请花几分钟来完成此调查问卷,调查结果将用于帮助识别学校的强项和需要改进的区域。

完成调查表需要大约10分钟。你需为入学的每个孩子完成一次调查。我们希望您能抽出一些时间来帮助学校进行提升。该问卷有效期至2021年9月30日。

请点击此链接进入调查表: https://survey.cois.org/s3/Parent-Guardian-2020-2021-Zhuhai-International-School

本调查问卷有多种语言可供选择--请点击屏幕右上方的地球标志,然后选择您想用的语言。如果您有任何疑问或者需要支持,欢迎联系zis@zischina.com。非常感谢您完成此调查。

Wishing you all a wonderful Mid-Autumn Festival with family and friends!

谨致问候

Warm Regards,
Andrew VanderMeulen
Head of School

Upcoming Events

September 19-21: Mid-Autumn Festival

September 23-24: Student and Class Photos **October 1-10:** National Day / October Holiday

October 11: Couch to 2k begins!

October 16: Weekend Warrior Songwriter Camp begins!

Perfectly Primary

BUDDIES

Last Friday in the ZIS Primary School, we had our first "Buddies" session. Buddies is another way that we strengthen and develop our community spirit. The buddy system works by pairing two classes together to work on an activity. Additionally, we ensure that the activities are related to the Learner Profiles. This further promotes the value and importance of these attributes.

Last week, Years 1-6, Years 2-4, and Years 3-5 were paired up. The Year 1-6 group worked together to design cards that showed caring and communicators. Years 2-4 played a big game of Hide and Seek, using their communication and observation skills to find each other by working in pairs. Lastly, Years 3-5 played a series of team-building games. By playing, designing, and working together to achieve a goal, student's develop their social and communication skills and make new friends. And the best part of all, it is a really fun way to spend a Friday afternoon!

Kind Regards,
Michael Lattimore
Head of Primary

Happy Mid-Autumn Festival from the Primary Chinese Classes!

Secondary Segment

Dear parents and students,

September 6 saw the kick off of Zhuhai International School's after school activities programming. After school activities allow for students to maintain an active lifestyle and provide a safe and supportive environment for those who participate. This year, a few secondary students have challenged themselves by taking on the role of coach / mentor.

Year 10 Erwan is sharing his skills and expertise with his peers in the realm of ultimate frisbee. A non-contact team sport, ultimate frisbee involves a thorough understanding of strategies, tactics, and utilization of a disc in order to score in the opponent's end zone. The sport allows for the development of motor skills, cooperation, and logical thinking.

In speaking about his goals for the season, Erwan stated, "I'm excited to create a team, provide ultimate frisbee experience for new participants, play in tournaments, and build sport spirit."

Additionally, Year 11 Terrance, Year 12 Finn, and Year 13 Maxime are working closely with primary students to help elevate their basketball game. On Tuesdays, the Cats, the Jaguars, and the Wolves take to the court to learn and to practice the fundamentals as well as to prepare for upcoming competitions. "We want to involve other schools on Qi'ao in friendly matches," stated Maxime. Through the tutelage and dedication of the secondary coaches, there is no doubt that our primary students will see success.

Semester one is shaping up to be quite special. Good luck to all participants as they gear up for the season.



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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