

## UISZ Community Summary – Week 21



### INTRO

Happy Chinese New Year! This Friday students, families and staff attended a wonderful performance in the Secondary Theatre and several lucky draws. This was followed by a lion dance performance in the gym. Afterwards everyone enjoyed food and crafts at various fun stall.







































Prior to the CNY celebration we had another busy week of classes and sports fixtures. In addition Secondary held their first Wednesday Assembly of 2022. Students who have made outstanding progress were honoured with awards. Mr Benard received the Star of the Month Award for organising the U2NESCO MUN event last week - and we all thank him for his efforts! Those who were in the audience came up to receive their certificates.







**Message from Ms Chunping**



The Lunar New Year celebration of 2022 took place in UISZ on Jan 28<sup>th</sup>. Lunar New Year is the biggest and most important festival in China, which started more than 4000 years ago. This year's celebrations in UISZ included traditional Lion Dance, student lucky draw, students and staff performances and booth activities. IB education always encourages our kids to participate and experience the local events and cultural activities, which could help the learners to know better about themselves, to have a deeper understanding of the diversity of culture, and respect the distinction between different cultures. In the Festival season, we wish all the community members to have a safe and extremely lucky year of the Tiger!

## PYP

### Message from ms Jennifer

This week Year 4 and Year 5 students had a great day competing in their GISES Track and Field events! Positive teamwork and determination garnered our school 13 medals! Way to go athletes!



















## MYP

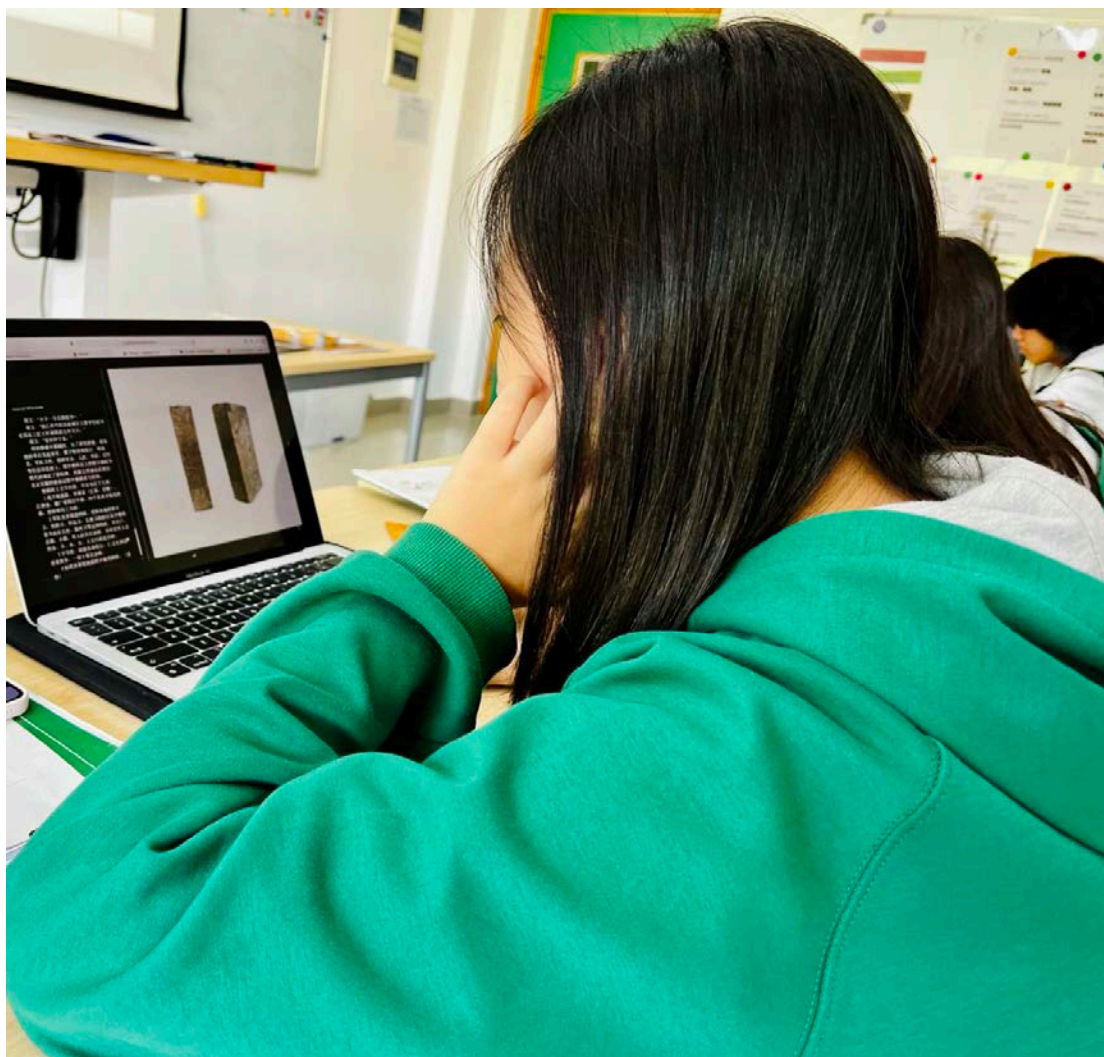
### Message from Ms Yolanda

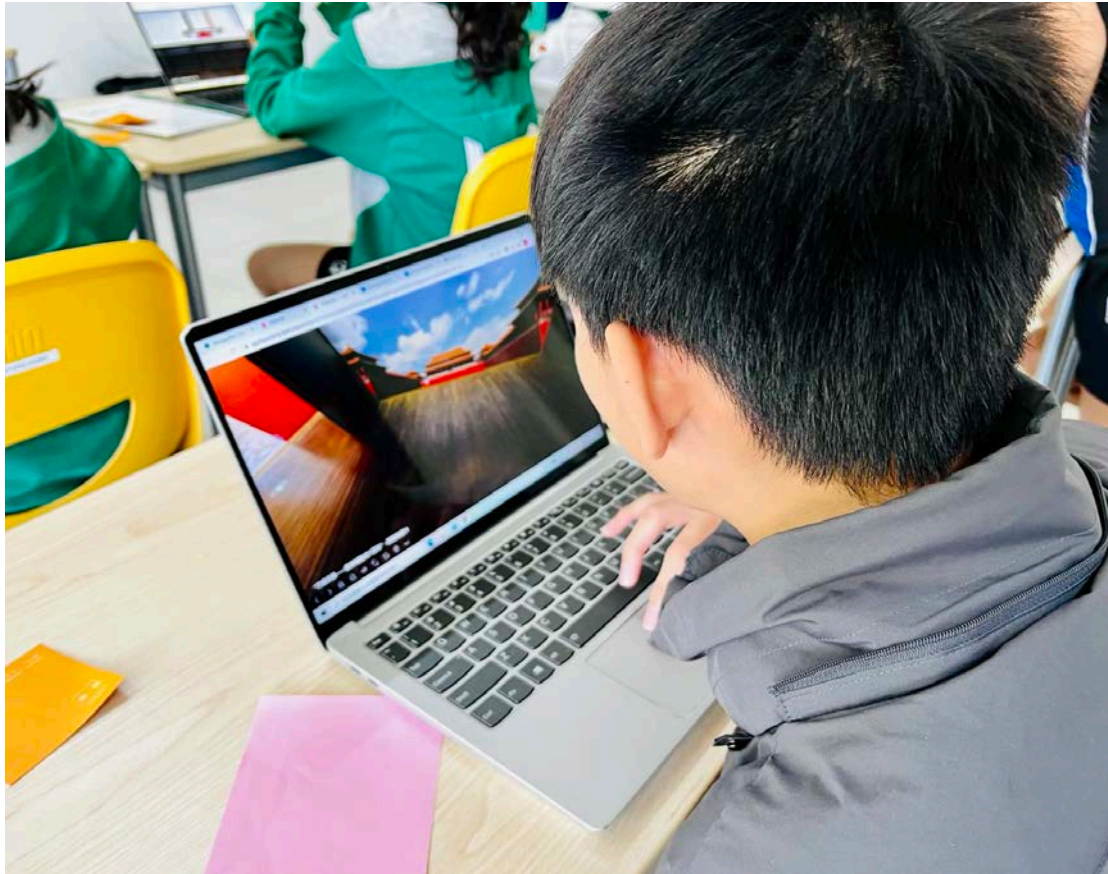
At the beginning of this semester, year 8 students continue their journey of architecture in Chinese Language and Literature course. In this unit, they focus on two non-literary genres: travelogue and expository writing. Recently, they are wandering in the Forbidden City. They've visited the *Everlasting Splendor: Six Centuries At The Forbidden City*, an online exhibition that employing the VR technology. During visiting, they've read various expository texts which introduce the constructions and relics in the Forbidden City. Next, everyone wrote a travelogue with some guiding questions. For instance, the impression of The Forbidden City, the advantages and disadvantages of online visiting, as well as how to preserve the relics. Then, they checked and revised their works. Finally, they read their classmates' travelogues, and give them specific feedback. This activity follows the constructivist approach which value the interplay between inquiry, action and reflection. It also offered opportunity for students to develop their skills of thinking and communication.











## SPORTS

### Message from Ms Chevonne

While winning is always nice, it is wonderful to see all the students - in the basketball team - develop as players and as teammates as the season goes on. To see a student who may have struggled to dribble a ball with one hand in November take that first dribble through their legs in January is like magic. To see a student who struggled from the three-point line in their first game start to hit them during an ACAMIS game is inspiring. To see a student, go from anxiously standing in a circle listening to their coach in their first game to high-fiving and joking with each other like they were born friends is what this program is about.

To be able to accomplish all the above and have fun and win as well? That is just icing on the cake. For a program like ours that is relatively small compared to some





others out there, I am so proud of what we accomplished. This year, we won a few conference games and finished the season with an ACAMIS “Sprint.”

None of this is possible without the efforts of parents and coaches. Our coaches are dedicated to improving, not only the basketball skills of their players but their skills as teammates. Our season is a very long season and the commitment from our coaches is to be applauded. And our parents honor the commitments they make for their kids, making sure they get to the practices and games, which makes the coach's job easier. This is what makes our program so strong...coaches and parents working together to help these kids be the best they can be.

Thanks again for a great season! Go COBRAS!



## OUTRO

We wish all our hard working students, parents and caregivers a festive Chinese New Year holiday. See you back on Monday 14th for more exciting learning!

Warmest wishes,  
**UISZ School & Boarding Community**

