

UISZ Community Summary – Week 15



A week ago on Wednesday during the extended house period – Cally in year 8 and Cowen in year 7 hosted their polished quiz show format - which they devised together - for students from all the Houses to compete against one another. It was an exciting morning that teased the brains of students with a mixture of multiple choice and open ended general knowledge questions. Well done to the organisers and participants!





During the same Wednesday morning session year 11 students had an insightful seminar discussion with year 12 students who presented their EE's (Extended Essays) and shared their year 12 experiences and how they meaningfully link to their search for an appropriate university course.





This week on Wednesday early years and primary school students showcased their winter performance at ZengCheng Senior House residential care home for elderly people in Zengcheng. The children performed excellently and their songs were much appreciated by the residents. It was wonderful to see the smiles on the faces of old and young alike, as we enter the festive season.





The MUN season for UISZ and U2NESCO MUN has kicked off last week with a weekend of chair training and preparations for our 7th Annual U2NESCO MUN. The chair is an important position as they are the leader of the committee that is discussing pertinent issues. They guide the discussion and coach the delegates as everyone in the committee works to come up with solutions to the problems posed. This weekend saw chairs for our U2NESCO Conference as



well as two other conferences coming up shortly come together to learn and share best practices.



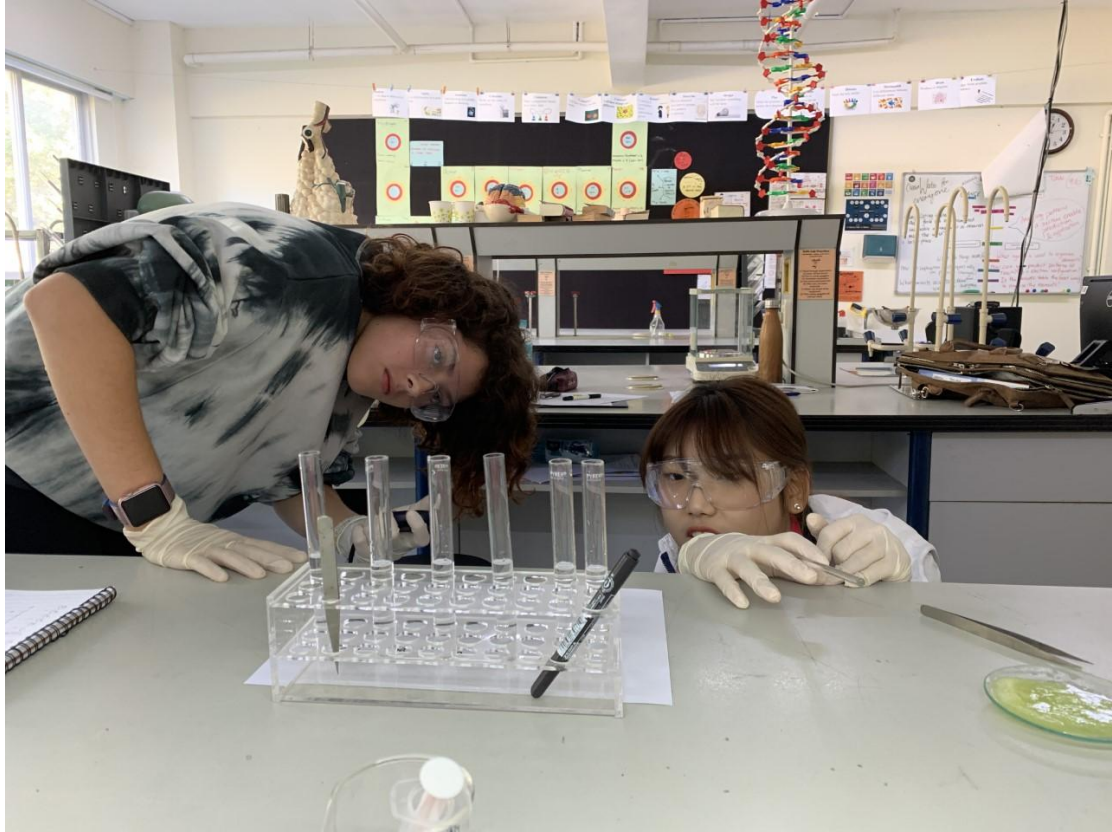
UISZ MUN Team will be going to Shen Wai International School on Friday the 6th for a three-day conference. We have another three-day conference next week in Nansha. These are meant to be warm-up events as our delegates and chairs get ready for our conference from January 9-11, which is shortly after we get back from the Christmas holiday. We will be sharing some MUN updates over the next few weeks and hopefully, we will get to share some of our successes at these conferences as well as some pictures of our delegates and chairs in action.





IB Diploma biologists have been studying how environmental factors affect processes in plants and how different conditions affect the rate of biochemical reactions in cells. Experiments help students to gain skills in synopsis and apply their knowledge to exam questions about scientific methods and data analysis. Year 11 biologists are studying biochemistry at the moment. They have been measuring the rates of enzyme-controlled reactions by tracking the colour changes or bubbles caused by the reaction products.







BOARDING

'If you count your eggs now, you'll be disappointed by the dragons that come out!' – Christian Clason

INSPIREd entered its fifth week for the second cycle and our primary and junior secondary boarders continue to engage enthusiastically with its challenges. Our DP boarders too, continue to grapple with the immense demands of the program and I wish to acknowledge their, and their teachers' commitment to studies and community. The dust of summative assessment week is starting to swirl as our boarders prepare to tilt at their respective assessment windmills this week and the next. Apart the from the 7-day boarders dining hotpot style at Darenfa this Saturday last, with a few ringers from the MUN training weekend, and the customary victual-stop for that elixir of life – at Wanda Palace in the Lost City of Z – it has been very much business as (un)usual. There has been, however, much frenetic Christmas decorating happening in Dragon House and *it is* definitely 'starting to look (and feel) a lot like Christmas' around the traps. Next week too, does also promise to be a bumper one in the lead up to the Christmas break, the highlight being



the boarders' Honour Ceremony, Christmas Party, Talent Quest and big Raffle draw currently being set up by our hard-working boarding council.





Another jam packed week of hard work, study and fun bites the dust as we approach Summative Assessment week and the Christmas holiday. This is the season of sharing and caring for others, and for celebrating with friends and family. With these sentiments in mind we wish everyone a wonderful weekend!

Warmest wishes,
UISZ School & Boarding Communit