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Dear parents

As the end of our school year approaches I would like to thank you for your support of AIC over the past year. From our point of view it has been another great year. Our graduation ceremony celebrated the end of an AIC education for our Year 13 students who now wait for their IB Diploma results and then head off to universities around the world later in the year. We will not forget them and enjoyed acknowledging their achievements at our graduation ceremony.

In the meantime it is business as usual for our Year 11 and 12 students who have completed their end of year examinations. Year 11 students have selected their IB Diploma subjects and look forward to receiving their Year 11 course completion certificates at AIC Prize-giving Tuesday next week.

Year 12 have received ongoing university application advice and will send their completed draft university personal statements to Mr Jack by next Monday. Year 13 first semester is a busy time for Year 13 university applications and students are advised to meet with our university counsellors whenever they need assistance. You, too, are welcome to contact them if you have any queries or concerns. Parent Student Teacher interviews take place tomorrow, Tuesday after school, and offer you the opportunity to meet with or to arrange an appointment with a university counsellor.

At the end of this term we farewell three teachers, Ms Fu, Mrs Yeh and Mr Muir. We wish all three our best wishes for their future. Of particular mention is long serving staff member, Mrs Yeh, who retires as our Chinese A IBDP teacher. Her literary knowledge has supported students for more than 11 years of service to AIC. We thank her for her long service and wish her all the best in her well deserved retirement.

Mr Muir has been an Economics teacher for 9 years. For part of this time he was HOD Economics. We thank him for his contribution to Economics in the classroom as well as to academic competitions and wish him all the best in his new venture outside teaching.

Ms Fu is leaving after 3 years at AIC as a Chemistry teacher and we wish her all the best in whatever field she decides to pursue.

We look forward to seeing you at AIC Prize-giving if you are able to attend and wish you quality time with your family over the break. We look forward to our students returning to AIC, refreshed and ready for the year ahead, and to welcoming those new to the College.

Kind regards

Carolyn Solomon MNZM
Principal

Coming Events

Tuesday 20 June

- Year 12 Parent Student Teacher interviews 3-6pm

Tuesday 27 June

- Last day term 4
- AIC Prize-giving 10am
Blockhouse Bay Primary School Performing Arts Centre
- School finishes 1:15pm

Friday 30 June

- Student reports emailed to parents

Tuesday 25 July

- New Year 12 students Orientation 12-3pm
- No school buses running

Wednesday 26 July

- School buses running
- Year 11 Orientation
- New Year 12 students Orientation continues
- Year 13 lessons commence

Thursday 27 July

- Year 11 Orientation last day
- Year 12 lessons commence
- Year 13 lessons continue

Friday 28 July

- Year 11, 12 and 13 normal timetable

New Teachers

We are pleased to announce the arrival of two new teachers to AIC in July.

Dr Lin Zeng will be our new Chinese Literature teacher. She has an M.A in English Language & Literature from Beijing International Studies University (本科和研究生毕业于北京第二外国语学院) where she also lectured before coming to New Zealand and a Ph.D. in Chinese Language & Literature from the University of Otago (奥塔哥大学教育学硕士和中国语言和文学博士).

Dr Jarafshan Mistry, our new Chemistry teacher, also has an impressive doctorate, a Ph.D. in Analytical Chemistry from Duke University, USA.

We look forward to welcoming teachers of such high calibre to AIC.

Economics and Business Successes

Our students continue to perform at a top level in national secondary school economics and business competitions:

Tuan Khai (Kevin) Nguyen, Kevin Lin, Yuqi (Angela) Jing & Anna Tskhakaya impressed with second place in the University of Auckland national secondary schools CASE competition.

Anna, Angela, Kevin Nguyen and Ahn Tuan (Alan) Tran are through to the national secondary schools finals of the Monetary Policy Challenge.

Kevin Nguyen, Anna, Angela, Alan, Sumin (Chloe) Kim and Lorna Su are in the regional finals of the NZ Lion Foundation Young Enterprise Scheme.



Back row L to R: Kevin Lin, Lorna Su, Alan Tran, Chloe Kim
Front row L to R: Kevin Nguyen, Anna Tskhakaya, Angela Jing

We congratulate these students and thank their teachers for encouraging our students to participate in national competitions.

AIC Students in National Olympiad Teams

Xutong (Tony) Wang and Sangheon (Harry) Yeom continue the AIC tradition of being selected to represent New Zealand in Olympiad teams. Tony will travel to Brazil to compete in the International Mathematics Olympiad while Harry will travel to Thailand to compete in the International Chemistry Olympiad.

Olympians Tony Wang (L) and Harry Yeom (R)



National Archery Champion



Congratulations to Aaron Choi who has been selected for the New Zealand Archery team to compete at the Seoul International Archery Youth Festa 2017.

Year 13 Graduation Prize-winners

There are six major prizes awarded to graduating Year 13 students. These are the Dux; Proxime Accessit; the Dean's Award for the best all-rounder in the year group encompassing academic commitment, outstanding effort, commitment to CAS, service to others and excellent character; the Vivian Guan Cup for Service by an Individual for contribution and commitment to service activities in the community; the Willman Cup for Excellence in CAS awarded to a role-model with excellent performance in areas of creativity and activity; and the Sustained Effort Cup for consistent effort In academic subjects and an active role in the AIC community throughout Years 11, 12 and 13. The major prize-winners for 2017 are pictured over the page.



Year 13 Prize-winners



Left to Right: Ryota Yonemura—Dean's Award, Michael Li—Proxima Accessit, Zhifei (Tony) Shen—Dux, Yunhao (Eddie) Wu—Willman Cup for Excellence in CAS, Yongjing (Linda) Ren—Sustained Effort, Brian Lin—Vivian Guan Cup for Service by an Individual

Alumni News

It is always lovely when our alumni return to AIC. For us we can see how they have flourished since graduating from our College.

One such student is Sunshine Sun, currently studying Geography at the University of Oxford. Sunshine has continued the AIC tradition of contribution as chairperson of the Oxford University Chinese Society. She will address our Year 12 students at assembly Monday next week.

In addition, our prize-giving guest speaker will be AIC graduate and ex Head prefect, John Luo, currently attending the University of Chicago.

2017 - 2018 Holiday Dates

Term 1 holiday	Saturday 30 September 2017	Sunday 15 October 2017
Term 2 holiday	Thursday 21 December 2017	Wednesday 24 January 2018
Term 3 holiday	Saturday 7 April 2018	Sunday 22 April 2018
Term 4 holiday	Thursday 28 June 2018	Wednesday 25 July 2018