

# Auckland International College Newsletter

## June 2015

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### Coming Events

#### Friday 26 June

- Year 11 and 12 Prize-Giving, 10:00am Blockhouse Bay Primary School Performing Arts Centre

#### Monday 20 July

- Scott Zhang US Universities presentation 2:00pm-3:00pm in the College hall.

#### Wednesday 22 July

- New Year 12 student orientation programme 12:00pm – 2:45pm

#### Thursday 23 July

- Year 11 student orientation programme
- New Year 12 student orientation programme continues
- Year 13 lessons begin

#### Friday 24 July

- Year 11 student orientation programme continues
- Year 12 lessons begin

#### Monday 27 July

- Year 11 student orientation programme continues

#### Tuesday 28 July

- Year 11 lessons begin

#### Dear Parents

*We enjoyed celebrating the success of our Class of 2015 at their Graduation Ceremony last month and we now, like them, look forward to their IBDP results due 6 July. After that they will be planning their moves to their chosen universities where we wish them well.*

*In celebrating the successes of AIC students we also acknowledge the role of AIC staff and thank them for their dedication in supporting our students to achieve their goals.*

*Dr Bill Hodge, Harvard and Stanford graduate and prominent NZ law academic and spokesman, gave helpful advice to our graduating class as our guest speaker. At the ceremony we acknowledged the graduating class for having followed the AIC tradition of doing their personal best and they were encouraged to go on in life using their knowledge for the benefit of others. Graduation photos of some of the prize winners are included in this newsletter.*

*Friday marks the end of the College year for our Year 11 and 12 students at our annual Prize-Giving. Guest speaker will be ex Head Boy and 2014 AIC graduate, Danny Shin, now attending the University of Pennsylvania. It is always rewarding for all of us at AIC when our alumni return to visit and we can see and hear how well they have progressed. We look forward to hearing from Danny his words of wisdom at our Prize-Giving.*

*Another successful AIC graduate, Scott Zhang, will visit AIC during the last week of the July break, to talk about his experiences at Columbia and Stanford universities. With technology we are also able to link AIC students with alumni through skype. Young Lu, 2013 alumna, currently studying Economics and Management St Hugh's College, Oxford University, gave a very informative and valuable presentation to Year 12 students.*

*All of this reminds us that a senior secondary education is a crucial point in the educational careers of young adults because it provides the groundwork and launching pad for the next stage in their lives and I am repeatedly impressed by the willingness of our graduates to give back to AIC by helping our students at this important stage of their lives. They do indeed practise the AIC credo "If I care only for myself who am I?"*

*Until school resumes late July we hope that the July school break allows you to have quality time with your child and that they can re-charge their batteries for the school year ahead. We look forward to the new school year and thank you for your continued support of AIC.*

*Kind regards*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carolyn Solomon". The script is cursive and fluid.

Carolyn Solomon  
Principal



## Year 11 and 12 Prize-giving

For those of you able to attend, you are warmly invited to AIC Prize-Giving at 10am on the last day of term, Friday 26 June, at the Blockhouse Bay Primary School Performing Arts Centre where we will celebrate the successes of our Year 11 and 12 students. Lessons finish at 1pm and school buses will leave AIC at 1:30pm on that day.

## Staff Leaving

Our best wishes to Mr Hook, HOD Chemistry, for his move to a teaching position overseas. We thank him for his contribution to the College and especially to the science department where his versatility have been evident in his teaching all three sciences and more recently as HOD Chemistry.

## July Break Events

- Congratulations and best wishes to the 12 AIC finalists in the Australia - NZ Brain Bee Challenge starting 8:30am Thursday 2 July at the University of Auckland. Thank you to Ms Foley for her encouragement.
- Congratulations and best wishes also to the four AIC finalists competing in the National Linguistics Olympiad. Thank you to Mr Jack for his support.
- Scott Zhang, AIC graduate, will give a presentation at AIC Monday 20 July 2-3pm. about his US university experience. Scott received a scholarship to study at Columbia University and is currently completing his PHD in Mathematics at Stanford University. AIC students, parents and friends are welcome to attend.

## New College Year

Returning students' lessons resume as follows:

- Year 13 Thursday 23 July
- Year 12 Friday 24 July

New students' orientation programmes as follows:

- Year 11 Thursday 23, Friday 24 and Monday 27 July
- Year 12 Wednesday 22 July 12-2:45pm and Thursday 23 July

## Digital Technology

During the first term students will be given access to AIC wifi. Some subjects will want to use this facility during classes. Therefore students will be encouraged to bring a laptop for such lessons.

## Graduation ceremony 2015

Congratulations to the following prizewinners, seen below, receiving their prestigious awards from Dr Hodge at AIC Graduation ceremony.



**Dux 2015 Sining Chen**



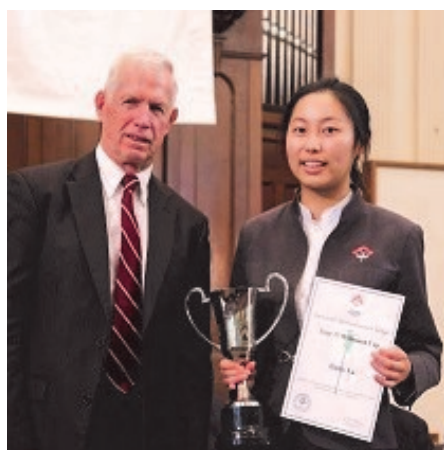
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**Sustained Effort**, awarded for an excellent level of effort over the duration of the IB Programme, **Nguyen Phan Hong Ngoc**



**Deans Award 2015**, awarded to the best all round student in the Year group, **Kim Min Ji**



**Willmann Cup for Excellence in CAS**,  
**Hailie Xie**



**The Vivian Guan Cup for Service by an Individual**, **Ziyu Edwin Yang**





Parents, students and staff after AIC Graduation ceremony

### Have You Changed Your Home Address? Email Address? Phone Number?

Please inform Li Chen, Admissions Administrator, when there is any change in home or email address or contact phone numbers. International students must also let Li know if there is any change to their visa type or immigration status.

Li can be contacted on 09 921 4518 or [lchen@aic.ac.nz](mailto:lchen@aic.ac.nz)

### Term Dates 2015—2016

Term 1	Thursday 23 July 2015	Friday 25 September 2015
Term 2	Monday 12 October 2015	Friday 18 December 2015
Term 3	Thursday 28 January 2016	Friday 8 April 2016
Term 4	Tuesday 26 April 2016	Tuesday 28 June 2016