



赞比亚中文国际学校

Chinese International School in Zambia

Learn to Love, Love to Learn

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From Mrs. Jackie Pan, Principal of CIS

In this newsletter, I would like to thank all the hardworking children, devoted staff, and supportive parents, with which we had a wonderful and fantastic Term 1 of 2014. In retrospect, we had so many lovely events : Chinese New Year celebration, Temple Fair, Science Fair, Field trip to KK International Airport, Field trip to ZNBC, Fun Sports Day,

Warm welcome to our new students and teachers, thank you for joining our CIS community. I am sure CIS would become more beautiful and friendly with you!

Thanks to the Cinderella Production, we have more facilities, like monkey bars, a big swing, climbing poles, twin bars on the playground. Our students are proud to have them, and enjoying them very much.



Another thing to be mentioned is that CIS started to have a weekly assembly routine every Thursday from this Term. In each assembly, one class can do a presentation to the whole school. Parents are welcome to come and cheer for our kids.

Have a happy, nice holiday! Please keep our children happy, safe and busy at home!

The school reopens on the 12th of May, looking forward to seeing you then!

Jackie Pan (Mrs.)

Principal of CIS

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What's happening next term

May 12 th	School reopens
May 30 th	International Children's Day
June 2 nd	Chinese Dragon Festival
July 7 th - 9 th	Mini mid-term break
July 18 th	Primary Sports Day
August 8 th	Last day of school, Term Party
August 11 th	Open day

HOUSE POINTS CORNER

	THE GREAT WALL	THE YANGTZE RIVER
TERM 1	938	981



CHINESE NEW YEAR 2014



On the 25th JANUARY 2014, The Chinese community in Zambia came together to hold a Temple Fair to celebrate the Chinese festival at Levy mall junction which according to their calendar this is the time to celebrate Chinese New Year. It is a tradition that Chinese people follow their calendar to celebrate such events in style every year. Zambian people had also an opportunity to see and learn more about Chinese culture at Levy mall junction and a lot of people were attracted by the colorful performance from both Chinese and Zambians, Chinese games for kids, Chinese business exhibition, Chinese dragon and lion dance, Chinese drum dance, etc.

The celebration which took place at about 10 hours was graced by the first lady Dr Christine Kaseba Sata together with our first republican president Dr Kenneth Kaunda as the guests of honor. Chinese Ambassador Mr. Zhou together with Counselor Wu was also present. The celebration was characterized with various activities among were fashion show from both Chinese and Zambian ladies in nice attires, Chinese instrument show, Chinese magic, Chinese calligraphy and painting, Chinese songs and dance, etc. Drama group known as Kamakajan were in place and did a very spectacular dancing and singing. Kung fu was also performed by both Chinese and Zambians who have learnt different tactics from Chinese people. Our Children from Chinese School also performed Kung Fu with a lot of cheer from the audience. They also sang two songs called "Beijing Opera" and "Gongxigongxi", meaning Happy New Year. The audience was very much impressed by our pupils' Chinese language. In addition to this, a French girl who was learning Chinese from CIS Language Department also sang a Chinese popular song.

Many CIS Parents and children visited the Temple Fair. It was so nice to see our CIS pupils mingling with the Chinese community in the temple fair, many parents together with their families , visited CIS exhibition stand, watched and cheered the our primary performance and sample Chinese cuisines, and played games in the Game Zone. May I thank the Chinese community for picking our school as one of the participants and well done to the primary section who did a fantastic job!

By **TEACHER HELLEN**

SCIENCE FAIR



On the 7th of March, the Chinese International School Primary held their science fair exhibition. Each class had a number of experiments to showcase.

Before the pupils could start to demonstrate their experiments, the principal welcomed the parents and explained to them the importance of science in this generation and in this world.

The Grade 1A and 1B had 6 experiments which were Air supports burning, why an egg floats in salty water, floating oil, overcrowding in plants, making mould (fungus), etc.

The Grade 2 had a total of 3 experiments which were Air pressure, how to make balloons stick on the wall and water pressure.

The Grade3 also had demonstrated or showcased 3 experiments: air pressure in liquids, floating and sinking, sand soil contains water.

The Grade 4 had volcano, transparent egg, reaction of salt in different materials, air supporting burning (using balloon), and light travelling in a straight line.

The Grade 6 had bones and calcium, magnetism, solar system, the respiratory system, surgery.

The Pupils demonstrated their experiments with a lot of knowledge which tells that they knew exactly what they were doing. Their experiments are too many to mention.

The parents came in numbers to support their children and the number was so overwhelming. The parents were impressed by the children's performance, creativity, team work, independence and public speaking. We all had an informative and nice science lesson given by our students.

At the end of the fair, the Principal thanked the parents for their attendance and the teachers for their efforts as tutors.

TEACHER P. KAPAKU



CHINESE SPRING FESTIVAL



New Year celebrations mark the beginning of a new start in every aspect of life. As such it brings with it spontaneous joy and expectations. It is important to note that according to the Chinese calendar, this is a year of the Horse.

Chinese International School joined the Chinese communities all over the world and celebrated the New Year on 31st January, 2014. The celebrations were marked by various performances and activities.

All the children and staff were wearing red top, as red is the Chinese traditional color for the spring festival. And our shelter where the celebration took place was decorated to embrace the new year of horse.

The children staged out some Chinese songs, such as Gongxigongxi song (that means happiness), Happy New Year , Counting Ducks, Making Friends, Lantern And Mice, Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, Two Tigers, etc.

Principal Jackie spiced up the occasion by narrating the legendary story of the Spring Festival and the RED COLOUR. Red colour is important in the Chinese culture as it signifies happiness and good luck, etc.

To enhance the happiness, and improve pupil's Chinese listening skills and the Chinese linguistic competencies, a house point quiz was organized. Here questions based on the Chinese language, Chinese culture and Chinese Spring Festival were asked, an oral assessment was conducted to show how much linguistic skill children have acquired so far in Chinese, and how much they have known about China. It was fun, educative and quite entertaining to see our children's achievements.

Children were eager and proud to earn points for their own house. The points scored were: Great Wall 13 and Yangtze River 14. So Yangtze River vividly beat Great Wall on New Year's Day.

We look forward to having more New Year celebrations.

By Mrs. Khumalo

EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO KENNETH KAUNDA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT



On the 27th March, 2014, pupils from Reception and Grade 1B went on the tour to the K.K International Airport.

They were accompanied by the school's principal Mrs Jackie Pan, three teachers, Tr Zhang, Tr Gertrude and Tr Diana not forgetting our two helpers Agatha and Anne. The purpose for this trip was to educate the children on Air transport.

We started our journey around 09: 27 hours on a bus. On the way to the KK airport, our children were so excited that they chanted both Chinese and English songs. Upon arriving at the airport, pupils received a warm welcome by one of the staff members, the guide Uncle Kennedy, at the airport. He showed the pupils different and educative pictures such as wildlife, traditional and cultural ceremonies and rivers found in Zambia. Children were thrilled to see these pictures.

The Guide took us to the check point where we had our belongings checked. He took us to the hangar. As we were waiting for the bus to come, children had a chance to give a warm welcome to the people getting off a Kenyan airplane by saying together : welcome to Zambia, hope you enjoy your stay in Zambia, and later saying Goodbye to the people getting on the plane: nice and safe trip, Goodbye! Obviously, our children enjoyed being reception girls and boys.

The bus finally arrived to take us around the hangar. Pupils were marveled to see the aero planes land and take off; they also had a chance to see different types of planes such as private planes, delivery planes and public air planes. Children had a chance to see a fire station where they saw fire engines and ambulance and learned that in case of fire, emergency fire engines can be used.

The trip ended at 12:00 hours and finally headed back to school.

Teacher Diana



FUN WITH ART

Art comes in different forms; it could be an expression of one's feelings, thoughts, experiences or even ideas. It is done at different levels with practice one can draw anything they choose to draw.

On February 3rd, 2014, three Chinese art teachers visited CIS and demonstrated in the shelter to our primary students how to make Chinese characters and beautiful drawings using a brush. Students and teachers were amazed to see the artists magically produced the drawing of different things in nature, like peony (the Chinese national flower), playful birds in the vine, and galloping horse. And we learned a Chinese character 福, which meant happiness and luck. We were told this character was very popular in China, and it was posted on every household door, in the hope that happiness and luck can visit the family. Think it's easy? No sir, it takes lots and lots of practice and patience to do it perfectly. Even though the Chinese artists made it look so simple, they had years and years of practice to perfect their skills. A lesson was given to our pupils in the classroom by the Chinese artists on Chinese calligraphy and painting. Even though the children had to be helped to finish their drawings, they had so much fun in experiencing the Chinese arts. One would think you just need paint, a piece of paper and a brush to paint a bird for example, but the reality is that you need skills because even just holding of the brush has to be done in a certain way to achieve good results.

So set your Imagination free the world is full of beauty enough to inspire you. Start practicing art today. **Have Fun!!!!**

BY TEACHER LUBINDA



FUN SPORTS DAY



Chinese International School takes keen interest in sports. It's for this reason that the early years held an exciting inter – house fun sports competition on 28th March, 2014.

The two houses, Great Wall and Yangtze River competed in various sporting activities such as removing the tennis ball on the cone spoon, the tennis ball-spoon balancing , water bottle races, hola hoop race, bean bag race, sack race and relay, .

It was exciting to see how some little ones opted not to follow given instructions but do things their own way and complete the race in first positions.

We had a good turnout of parents which we appreciate dearly. They were asked to support their children's houses. They too were not left out; they competed in relay and water bottle races.

Great Wall emerged as winners with 210 points while Long River had 175 points

Wow! What a day it was!

By Teacher Gertrude



FIELD TRIP TO ZNBC STUDIOS



In March, 2014, the Grade 1A, 2, 3, 4, and 6 pupils from Chinese International School visited / toured ZNBC. Mr. Timothy Mwale, the sound technician for ZNBC TV was in hand to welcome us.

He first took us to ZNBC TV 1 studio where he explained what type of programs is done in the studio. The pupils took turns taking photos on the News desk, wish the video cameras where on!

He later took us to TV2 studio where more explanations on different equipment were made. It was interesting to learn how different machines work together to bring us our favorite TV shows in our living rooms. For example, did you know unlike humans, machines like the cold? They work better for longer.

We were there at the right time because we even witnessed the beautiful Patricia Elis Pumulo read the 10:00 hrs news on TV2. We saw how the technicians manipulated different machines to bring in sound, adverts and clips of different stories. Some of the children even wished they too could work for ZNBC.

After the news, Mr. Mwale took us outside to see the huge satellite dishes that transmit waves to and from the whole world.

When we went inside, it was time to see what happens in Radio studios. Coincidentally, another Mr. Mwale took over from Mr. Timothy Mwale and took us round the radio stations. Did you know there are 24 radio stations at ZNBC? Of course with the main common being Radio 1, 2 and 4. Mr. Mwale explained how the Radio equipment is used. After touring the Radio stations, we went to the main sound control room where all sounds are checked and controlled for us to receive the best quality sound on our Radios.

It was inspiring to meet TV personalities like Mary Magambo, Brian Mwale and the big boss Mr. Kenneth Maduma, to mention a few. After that it was time for us to go back to school only to come back in the near future as Journalists or Technicians. Thanks,
ZNBC.

BY TEACHER RACHEAL.

YOUTH CHINESE TEST (YCT)



In this newsletter, I would like to send my warmest congratulations to the YCT writers! Well done to my genius! In November 2013, 12 primary pupils wrote YCT (Level 1) test at our school, and 8 of them passed. Luzando, an 11year girl who is in G5, got full marks! Congratulations again!

YCT is an international standardized Chinese language test which aims at examining non-Chinese primary and secondary students' ability to use Chinese language in their studies and daily lives.

YCT consists of two independent parts: written test and oral test. The written test is made up of four levels from Level 1 to Level 4. The oral test includes YCT-Speaking (Basic) and YCT – Speaking (intermediate)

In this year, we are going to organize G2 to write Level 1, G3.4 to write level 2, and G6 level 3. The test takers who pass level 3 can use Chinese language to do simple and direct conversation about familiar daily topic, and achieve excellent level in the primary Chinese.

We are expecting a more fruitful year in 2014!

Teacher Zhang



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