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INTERNATIONAL DAY - SATURDAY APRIL 13TH - MUCH MORE TO COME...

WELCOME BACK!

To those who traveled over the long holiday to far and distant places, we hope you thoroughly enjoyed yourselves. To those who remained in the area, we hope you too were able to savor your break. As we begin the second half of a busy DAIS school year, there are a number of important events our students are eagerly anticipating, including: a Model United Nations trip to Shanghai; an ACAMIS basketball tournament (boys & girls) in Macau; and a high school musical performance in Seoul, Korea. Middle school students will soon be competing with students from three other international schools as DAIS hosts its first Knowledge Bowl Competition right here on campus (*a DAIS team placed 1st in last year's event*). And our elementary students are very busy preparing for their upcoming Community Time performance later this month. Collaboration and involvement--among faculty, staff, students and parents--are essential in making these events a reality. Our school community is truly grateful for all each of you do.

17-19 JAN	Concordia MUN Shanghai Trip
21 JAN	End of First Semester
25 JAN	Elementary Community Time -- 3:00pm
31- 2 JAN FEB	ACAMIS Basketball Tourney -- Macau



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HUAMEI ACADEMY SPEECH COMPETITION



The Huamei Academy recently held a speech competition for its students here at DAIS. Participants were asked to write and deliver a speech on values that are important to them. Twelve Huamei students participated in the competition, delivering their speeches to an audience of students, teachers and parents. “Part of Huamei’s mission is to improve our students English,” said Huamei principal Maureen McCoy. “Reading, writing, listening and speaking skills are taught and practiced in our classrooms each day. A speech competition is a wonderful opportunity for our students to demonstrate those skills in front of a large audience. Imagine writing and giving a speech in a second language. Our students gain so much confidence by participating. They all were amazing.”

The speech competition, the first organized by The Huamei Academy, will now become an annual school event. This year’s winners included Tom Xu (top left), Alicia Lan and Richard Fan (top right), and Selina Xu (below, fourth from the left).



Mission Statement

Dalian American International School provides challenging, collaborative and responsive experiences that engage learners in developing intellect, character, and health. At DAIS, every learner achieves personal excellence and contributes to the global community.