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INTERNATIONAL DAY IS COMING...

The Fifth Annual DAIS International Day will be held on campus Saturday, April 25th, 1-4:30 pm. Great food, musical performances, and booths representing some 25 different nations will be on display. Make time for a wonderful celebration of international learning and fun!

ROBOTICS COMPETES IN SHANGHAI

Our middle school Robotics team recently competed with thirty other teams at the Shanghai American School in Pudong. It was the third year our team has competed in the largest tournament to date. We're proud of our nine-member team (Owen Xu, Jeff Sui, Joseph Amemiya, Jazper Lu, Max Hong, Jacob Weiner, Laura Igelbuscher, Elin Hilling, Caroline Loening) for all of their efforts and learning. Thank you to teachers Pat Herding and Sonsie Ang for their leadership!

APR 15 Early Release - Professional Development

APR 16-19 ACAMIS Soccer Tourney in Beijing

APR 22 Earth Day at DAIS



DAIS FACULTY RECOGNITION

Dr. Michael Baldwin, a DAIS science teacher, was recently selected as one of 50 finalists worldwide for the prestigious \$1 million Global Teacher Prize. With 5,000 nominations from 127 countries, nominees are judged on classroom inspiration, contributions to the community, and their encouragement of others to pursue teaching. His students have organized beach clean-ups, recycling projects and Earth Day celebrations. They have also presented their water conservation and environmental stewardship efforts to other schools in China. “There are so many great students, teachers and staff at this school,” says Baldwin. “Teaching is really a community effort where everyone can contribute.” Before coming to DAIS, Dr. Baldwin had lived and taught in the US, Uruguay, and Libya.



HUAMEI ARTISTS



RODICA BURGHELEA'S CLASS



HUAMEI ACADEMY





MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR -- Terry Wolfson

As we enter the month of April, I am struck by how quickly the year has flown and how incredibly packed the calendar is through the last day of school on Friday, June 12. I want to inform you of two important upcoming events that you will want to be sure to place on your calendar.

DAIS is honored to have been selected by the U.S. State Department Office of Overseas Schools to host an experienced and reputable university admissions official, Vern Granger, as part of the Overseas School Project on Friday evening, April 24, from 5:30-7:00 PM in the Campus Village Lobby. In partnership with the College Board, the Project is designed to enhance guidance for parents and students in the planning process for admissions to US colleges and universities and to provide valuable information on financial aid. Parents of DAIS and Huamei Academy students Grades 8-11 are invited to attend this informative session. Please contact the Secondary School Office by April 20 if you plan to attend.

One of the aspects I appreciate most about living abroad is the opportunity to meet and make connections with people from all over the world hailing from countries that I once only dreamed about exploring. You won't want to miss DAIS International Day where we celebrate the richness of our school community's cultural diversity at the popular annual event that will be held on Saturday, April 25. Explore over 25 booths representing as many countries that represent the native lands of our students, their families and our teachers.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES 2015 (Partial)

Boston College
 Brown University
 Reed College
 Purdue University
 Northern Arizona University
 University of Warwick
 UC Berkeley
 University of Miami

Rhode Island School of Design
 Duke University
 Boise State University
 Miami University
 California College of the Arts
 Boston University
 College of William and Mary
 Pennsylvania State University

Sophia University
 Syracuse University
 Rutgers University
 The University of Akron
 University of Washington
 University of Connecticut
 University of California, Berkeley

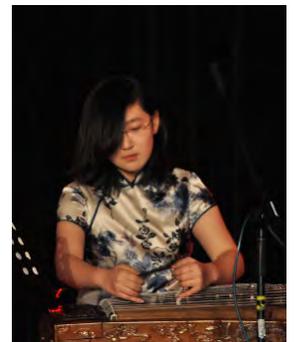
ADMISSIONS CORNER

We welcome prospective families and students to visit our school throughout the year. Come and see what makes DAIS the first choice international school experience for ex-pat families in the Dalian/DDA area.

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TALENT SHOW 2015



SCIENCE FAIR 2015



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.