



A Note From the Head Principal

Dear Parents and Students,

Another exciting month has started with many upcoming fun activities at MIS family.

Last week, our Secondary students and teachers enjoyed their "Week Without Walls" trips - four in Myanmar and two international. They all had a fantastic time and everything went very smoothly.



Last Wednesday, we had a WASC meeting with a group of parents and we shared the vision and mission of the school. We also talked about re-starting a parent-teacher association (PTA). Thank you very much for joining us and giving your input. This week, we celebrate Chinese New Year and keep working toward our International Day programme, which promises to be an unforgettable experience.

Do not hesitate to contact me if needed, or just come by my office to say, "hello." And, as always, here at MIS, **We Are Student Centered.**

HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR!

Kind Regards,

Anna Prieto

Upcoming events:

February 12	Union Day (no school)
February 15	U-19 Boys & Girls Basketball vs. Yangon Academy (Fusun 3:30pm) U-15 Boys Football vs. Yangon Academy (MIS 3:15pm)
February 16	U-19 Girls Basketball vs. ISM (Fusan Gym 3:30pm)
February 17	U-19 Boys Basketball vs. ISM (Fusan Gym 3:30pm)
February 18	U-15 Boys Football vs. ILBC (MIS 3:30pm)
February 19	U-9 Football vs. Network (MIS) -Year 3,4
February 20	MIS International Day
February 29	Year 11-13 Final exams
-March 11	Quarter 3 tests (March 7-11)

JOURNEY INTO THE UNSEEN WORLD

- by Ms. Ana Pabelina, MS Science

Where did the Year 7 go? They're on a journey, into the unseen world!! It is not a Disneyland tour nor a visit to a zoo or botanical garden, but it was a great experience seeing very tiny, colorful, some black and white, and few shimmering organisms which are invisible to the naked eyes!

Focusing the organisms through microscope under LOW POWER OBJECTIVE (LPO) AND HIGH POWER OBJECTIVE (HPO) was ghastly yet amazing experience.



Students understood the importance of microbes around us.

Actually, not all microbes can cause danger to our health. Some good bacteria contributes

to the agricultural, medical, pharmaceutical industry, biotechnology and even from foods and drinks we have every day such as vinegar, yoghurt, cheese, milk and others.



One of the activities in Science of Year 7 students was culturing the bacteria in an agar plate. They were asked to swab samples from telephone handles, doorknobs, toilet bowls, toilet's doorknobs, mop used by the cleaner, tables, chairs, floors, etc... They used streaking method in "planting" the microbes, and after 3 days, they had it fixed in a slide and used GRAM'S stain to see the microbes vividly.

Playing like little "Microbiologists" is fun. But, let's remember that these tiny microbes which are colorful

and have interesting shapes and sizes can cause trouble. Fever, infections, diarrhea, and food poisoning are only few things they can be done by these "invisible enemies" to us. Let's gear-up ourselves with knowledge and precautionary measures not to be invaded by them.

Throwing rubbish properly, avoiding uncovered foods and washing our hands every time we handle dirty objects are just basic yet effective ways to avoid microbes.

Make it a habit to wash your hands properly always. Microbes live where we live. They are neither friends nor enemies. But remember, health is wealth.



A Day At The Zoo - With 1C

Finally, it's January 14th. Everyone is so excited. We're going to the Zoo!

We were all set to go with our caps/hats, sun glasses, water bottles and backpacks full of snacks and lunch boxes. As we boarded the school bus and settled, the kids started to sing songs and had some snacks. We got down at the zoo entrance gate with water bottles leaving the backpacks in the bus.



- by Ms. Jyoti, 1C HR teacher

We had the map of the zoo and the first species of animal to encounter was the monkeys. Kids were amused by the way they fed their young ones. Next was the hippopotamus, followed by crocs, elephants, deers and giraffes. This was quite a walk and left the little ones tired and thirsty. We decided to take an ice-cream break. Tr. Lay Lay arranged for the battery operated buggy for the remaining tour of the zoo. We all hopped in and completed the rest of the tour by getting down at several stations to see the snakes, elephants and fish aquarium.

We talked about the differences and similarities among different animals. Now it was time to go to our next stop. We bid adieu to the zoo, got on the school bus and headed for Kandawgyi Park where we had our lunch and went on slides. After enjoying the slides and swings of all shapes and sizes, it was time to go back. It was a long, tiring but exciting day for us.

The MIS Griffin Boys basketball team started their season off with a victory over MISY! The Griffins used a half-court trap defense to put pressure on MISY, and played a fast-paced offense that was very exciting to watch. The final score was 36 to 28, with Simon putting in a man-of-the-match performance. It looks like the boys will have one of the best basketball teams MIS has ever seen. Go Griffins!

Basketball

Important reminders:

- Please check (and like) the link to the official MIS Facebook page where you will find the links to individual WWW trips groups. This page is designed to keep you informed of the school life events as they happen.
- Please keep you e-mail address and phone numbers up to date and inform the office in case of any changes. This is important as we are working toward closer communication between the school, students and the parents.