



## A Note From the Head Principal

Dear Parents and Students,

It's been another great week here at MIS.

This week, we have had a wonderful addition to our staff. Ms. Leigh Key, from Australia, is taking over as our IGCSE Social Studies teacher. She is a highly qualified teacher with international experience. We are thrilled to have her as a member of the MIS family.



Over the weekend, our students will be competing in the U16 SEAIS Football tournament in Bangkok. We wish them lots of luck!

The following week, will be Week Without Walls. We have 6 trips this year and are very happy about the educational opportunities this will provide for our students.

As we move forward this term, I would like to remind all our students about our school uniform policy. Please wear your correct uniform to school to avoid being sent home.

Never hesitate to contact me if needed, or just come by my office to say "hello." And, as always, here at MIS, **W**e **A**re **S**tudent **C**entered.

Sincerely,

Anna Prieto

### Upcoming events:

January 22	WASC work day for teachers. Half day for students
January 23	U16 SEAIS Football Tournament, Bangkok, Thailand
January 26	U19 Girls Basketball at ISM
February 1-5	Secondary Week Without Walls trips
February 8	Chinese New Year (no school)
February 12	Union Day (no school)
February 20	MIS International Day
February 29	Year 11-13 Final exams
-March 11	Quarter 3 tests (March 7-11)



# Gingerbread Men Make Maths Relevant and Edible!

-by Jennifer Dobson,  
Year 3B homeroom teacher

To incorporate practical learning into our mathematical learning topic of different forms of measurement we (3B) made gingerbread men.

We gathered the necessary ingredients and measured out 350g of plain flour, 1 tsp bicarbonate of soda, 2 tsp ground ginger, 1 tsp ground cinnamon, 125g butter, 175g soft brown sugar and 4 tsp golden syrup.

We also needed one egg that required no weighing or measuring, we read out and followed the instructions until we had in our grasp the gingerbread dough we so badly desired.

Then we rolled it out and using an assortment of cutters cut out our chosen shape and placed it in the oven to bake for 12-15 minutes.

When we returned we took them back to the classroom to decorate before devouring. Measuring is most fun when it leads to something edible!



# MIS STUDENTS SHINE IN CANADIAN OPEN MATHS CHALLENGE

- by Ms. Hale Hamuroglu, Secondary Mathematics Coordinator



The Canadian Open Mathematics Challenge – celebrating 20 years – is Canada's premier national mathematics competition, open to any student with an interest in and grasp of high school math. The competition provided a unique enrichment opportunity for students to challenge themselves and to demonstrate academic achievement that is recognized by universities across Canada.



MIS maths department announced this competition in the first semester and 10 of our students participated in the contest on November 6, 2015. This week we received the results!

We are happy to announce that all participants performed well in the competition. Two of the participants deserve a special mention. Jin Wenwen - Caroline from Year 11.1 was awarded a certificate of Performance with Distinction and Hein Thant Sin - Ivan from Year 11.2 was awarded a certificate of Performance with Honours. The other participants, regardless of their results, have earned an official Performance Certificate.



We hope our students found the 2015 COMC challenging and rewarding and will participate in the coming Math Contests and show their mathematical skills in the international mathematics contests again.



## READY FOR CHALLENGE ? THERE ARE MORE INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS CONTESTS TO COME!

There will be Pascal Contest, Cayley Contest and Fermat Contest for Secondary 2 students in February and Gauss Contest for Secondary 1 students in May. The students will need to complete the registration form and pay the nominal registration fee. We are looking forward to seeing more students in the coming contests and to celebrate their successes in mathematics.

### Important reminders:

- Year 6 and Year 9 students, please complete and return the CIE Checkpoint registration forms to you homeroom teachers by Wednesday, January 27th.
- 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.

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