Greetings parents, guardians, caregivers and students,

It’s been another frantic term at MIEC. We saw our numbers swell from 34 in week 1 to 92 by then end of week 10. We are only exiting 11 students this term and expect to receive another 30 international students which should see our unit reach the 100 student mark. I wish all those exiting students the best of luck at their new high school.

This term saw our MIEC students participate in a number of exciting activities. Firstly, they undertook the AFL multicultural program. This program culminated in our students representing MIEC at an AFL Gala Day competition against 7 other IECs. I’m excited to report that our girls’ team made it to the final of the competition only to be narrowly beaten by Holroyd IEC. The second sporting program in which our students participated was the NRL Harmony in League program. Under this program our students received training in the skills of NRL from some of Australia’s greatest footballers. The program celebrates cultural diversity through sport.

On the academic front our level two and level three students participated in the NSW Science Festival held at the Australian Museum, Sydney. Students got to enjoy the hands-on activities involving chemistry, physics and biology. Students got the opportunity to test their knowledge and skills against some of the finest scientists in Australia.

Other activities undertaken by MIEC students this term included the International Student Welcome Lunch held at Gonis Schnitzelria in Marrickville. The welcome lunch provides an opportunity for our international students to orientate themselves to their new environment whilst relaxing with new friends.

Next term should be another exciting term at MIEC. Our students will go to Cronulla Beach to be trained in the NSW Surf Lifesaving program where they learn all the water safety skills required to safely use Sydney’s beautiful beaches. Also, next term sees the folks from the Sydney Theatre Company come and teach our students English through the medium of drama. This is a very popular program with our students as it allows for freedom of expression and a break from more mainstream methods of teaching.

We will see you next term, until then, keep safe and best wishes.

Happy holidays,

Regards

Paul Fitzgerald
Wishing all our leaving students a very safe holiday as well as a happy and very successful High School experience next term and beyond!
WELCOME New Students
A very warm welcome to the new MIEC students and their families!

Mission Statement

We strive to teach, to learn and to seek the knowledge, to promote tolerance, the settlement of our students, their acquisition of the English language and the development of their learning skills. Our students and their families are at the centre of everything we do. We dedicate ourselves to furthering our rich tradition of program innovation, leadership and to the highest standard of EAL/D (English as an Additional Language or Dialect) Education to our community.

Other families needing IEC schooling

If you are aware of any families in our area that have just settled in the area and their children need intensive English before they go to High School, please refer them to us. We would like to ensure that newly arrived students will receive intensive English skills to be successful at their High School. For any enquiries about your children, please do not hesitate to ring our office.

Useful links for Parents and Guardians

School’s profiles
www.decinternational.nsw.edu.au/search/schools/profiles

NSW Board of Studies
Syllabuses, exam papers and resources for the HSC www.studentsonline.bos.nsw.edu.au/
BOS Students Online www.hsc.csu.edu.au/

NSW HSC Online
HSC Test Yourself Online www4.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/ School to work Student Pathway survey

My Future Australia’s career information and exploration service
myfuture is Australia’s free online career information service that assists career planning, career pathways and work transitions. Students need to use their ID and password to access the survey so that it is saved to their folder http://myfuture.edu.au/

Centrelink Links
Useful links for a range of government services http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/dhs/centrelink

Student Leadership and SRC

Student Health

Programs and Services

Disability, learning and support
Level two and level three students experienced an exciting day at the Sydney Science Festival held at the Australian Museum, Sydney. Students participated in workshops such as the hands-on chemistry and biology lessons as well as the physics for fun program. MIEC students learnt science through practical participation. Students reported that it was a fun way to learn about Science.
Congratulations to the girls in our MIEC AFL team. They finished as runners-up in the AFL Gala Day competition. Our girls played against students from several other IECs. Unfortunately they lost in the final but were gallant in defeat. What a great effort, well done girls. Our boys also played well and were only beaten by the eventual winners form Bankstown Senior College.
This term our student participated in the new NRL Harmony through diversity program. The program is a celebration of cultural diversity. Our students not only learnt the skills required to play NRL but undertook activities celebrating individuality and diversity.
All of MIEC participated in the NRL Gala Day at Lidcombe Oval on Thursday 3rd September 2015. They completed against teams from all over NSW. We proudly report that two of our girls, namely Irene and Katarina were named NRL Ambassadors. As a result the two girls will have the opportunity to participate in the NRL Cultural Diversity Program run at the headquarters of NRL located at the Sydney Football Stadium. Great effort girls!
Dear MIEC family,
These students are out MIEC Student Representative Council (SRC) members for Term 3. The SRC works together to make MIEC a welcoming and inclusive community for all students, parents and teachers. Please read the profiles below and get to know your SRC.

Name: Margaret Kamara  
Class: 1S  
Where are you from? Sierra Leone  
What are your special interests? Going to school and cooking  
How can you contribute to MIEC? I like to help the students and the teachers

Name: Ashish Bikram Thapa  
Class: 3  
Where are you from? Nepal  
What are your special interests? Soccer and computer games  
How can you contribute to MIEC? Helping in fundraising, speaking at assemblies and speaking to students about charities.

Name: Elizabeth Kamara  
Class: 2A  
Where are you from? Sierra Leone  
What are your special interests? I want to become a nurse and I like playing basketball.  
How can you contribute to MIEC? I can help other students and teachers.
Name: Coco Zhao  
Class: 2B  
Where are you from? China  
What are your special interests? Playing computer games and reading novels.  
How can you contribute to MIEC? I can give MIEC some good ideas.

Name: Cindy Zheng  
Class: 2C  
Where are you from? China  
What are your special interests? Guitar, ukulele, reading and movies.  
How can you contribute to MIEC? Get good grades, do charity work and be a good leader.

Name: Charlie Zhang  
Class: 2B  
Where are you from? China  
What are your special interests? Basketball  
How can you contribute to MIEC? To be a good student.

Name: Katarina Patinioti  
Class: 3  
Where are you from? Greece  
What are your special interests? Volleyball, soccer, helping animals and to become a doctor.  
How can you contribute to MIEC? Helping in assembly and make new friends.

Name: Zhesu Ye  
Class: 2C  
Where are you from? China  
What are your special interests? Playing basketball and games  
How can you contribute to MIEC? Helping some students study English.

Name: Eason He  
Class: 1S  
Where are you from? China  
What are your special interests? I like to run.  
How can you contribute to MIEC? I joined the SRC to help run the activities in school.

Name: Lance Chen  
Class: 2B  
Where are you from? China  
What are your special interests? I like to watch movies.  
How can you contribute to MIEC? I joined the SRC to help the students and help run activities in school.

Name: Charlie Succar  
Class: 2A  
Where are you from? Lebanon  
What are your special interests? Video games  
How can you contribute to MIEC? I like to help in assembly.
MaLiang and the Magic Paint Brush

Long long ago, there were a poor family who had a child called MaLiang. He didn’t have parents. He lived alone.

One day, he passed by a school and saw the teacher was teaching drawing. He also wanted to learn and he asked the teacher “I want to learn drawing. Can you give me a pen?” The teacher saw he was a poor child and said “no, you don’t have money to buy it! The poor child can’t learn drawing!” Then the teacher threw him out of the door. MaLiang thought “why can’t poor children learn drawing? I will learn drawing by myself.”

After that, he learnt drawing by himself without a pen. He used the branch and drew every day and he drew everything that he could see. In the evening, he was very tired and slept. He had a dream. In the dream an older man came and said “This is a paint brush. You can use it best.” Then the elder man gave MaLiang a pen. Maliang was very happy and said “Thank you! But the old man disappeared.

He woke up and a pen was in his hand.

He used the pen and drew a bird, the bird flew; he drew a fish, the fish was swimming in water.

Finally, he used the pen to help more and more poor families.

Zhao Zhibo (Coco)

Mend The Fold After The Sheep Have Been Stolen

Long, long ago, there was a farmer who kept ten sheep. During the day, the farmer took a flock of sheep to graze on the mountain. In the evening, the farmer would take the sheep into the sheepfold.

One day in the morning, it was rainy day. The rain washed out of the sheepfold. There was a hole that the sheep could escape from. The farmer discovered it but he didn’t immediately repair the sheepfold. He thought he could fix it another day.

The next day, the farmer took the sheep as usual. But when he went to the sheepfold, he found that the hole of the sheepfold became bigger and a sheep was lost. He suddenly realized that maybe a wolf came in and took away the sheep. The farmer was very sad because of losing a sheep. He took a long time to find this sheep but he didn’t find it. After seeing the blood on the ground he realized that the sheep was eaten by the wolf.

When the kindly neighbour knew this thing, he advised the farmer to repair the sheepfold otherwise more sheep would be eater by the wolf.

The farmer accepted the neighbour’s advice; he immediately found some wood and repaired the hole. Finally, the sheep were never lost again.

This story tells us a truth; we sometimes make mistakes in our life or study, we should try to remedy then and not make the same mistakes again. Change the mistake then, the same or similar mistakes will not be repeated.

Shen Yi (Crystal)
MY LAST DAY IN CHINA

It was June 24th, 2015. It was my last day in my home country. I was still studying hard in my school. Now you must think I am a mad girl. But you’re wrong. The happiest thing for me is to enjoy the time playing with my best friends and classmates. So I made a decision that I had to go to school even on the last day.

In the morning, on the way to school, I felt very happy but a bit upset. I would leave them soon. What a pity! After a while, when I got to school and went into our classroom, I found that there were a lot of lollies and chocolates which were my favourite flavours on my desk! And a pleasing sentence was written on the blackboard, ”Thank you for leading us so well, monitor!” At that moment, I was so surprised. I hadn’t yet told my classmates, except some of my best friends, that I was going to study abroad. How could they know? Then a classmate came and told me that the head teacher had already told them that I would go to Australia to continue my study. It was unbelievable, and I was so thankful to all of these lovely little ladies and gentlemen!

At about 12p.m, we finished school and my friends invited me to eat lunch with them. We went to Pizza Hut and ate much delicious food. Their aim was to get me to feel more comfortable about eating foreign food as soon as possible. I ate an Americano pizza, Lisa ate an original cheese pizza, and Connie ate fried chips and chicken wings, which were her favourite. Luckily, the cost was not expensive and the food was delicious enough. We agreed that we would come to eat again when I returned to China.

How fast time flies! My last day in China seemed to be passing more quickly than before. A few hours later, we finally finished school at half past five. I thought all of us would go back home and have a nice weekend as usual. It was time to say goodbye to everyone. Suddenly, a boy with a birthday cake in his hands came in the classroom and said loudly, “hang on, monitor. We have a surprise-party for you to celebrate!” I felt so shocked and soon burst into tears. I haven’t known anything about the party or that everyone would miss me that much! It was so moving. Then they gave me lots of gifts one by one, such as a clock, a doll, a glasses case, a photo taken by us and so on. That night was the happiest night. We drank juice and ate cakes together. But best of all, we were friendly together.

I will never forget my last day in China!

Sisi Chen
2C

Spider in My Room

There’s a spider in my room,
I want to kill it with a broom.
Why should I kill the spider?
Because it bit me last winter.
But where can I find the broom?
Maybe it is not in my room.

I go to the kitchen,
And find the broom behind the bin.
Wow! I know where it is,
I will kill the spider with this.

Will I kill? Yes, I will,
I take the broom and start to kill.
I kill that poor spider,
The spider dies on the drawer.
Then I feel so happy,
Because I had killed who bit me.

Eugene YU
(2A)
Students will be travelling to Cronulla Beach to learn various survival skills from the staff of Surf Life Saving NSW. Students will learn various skills such as recognising dangerous water conditions, survival and swimming skills when caught in rips, recognising dangerous marine creatures and sun safety.
MARRICKVILLE INTENSIVE ENGLISH CENTRE

TUITION CENTRE

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Tutoring is located at Marrickville IEC

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PREPERATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL

INDIVIDUAL SMALL GROUP PROGRAMS

PREPERATION FOR WORK PLACEMENT
HOMEWORK CLUB!

Why pay for homework help, when students can come and join in for free?

Marrickville IEC has a free Homework Centre which is run by Ms Litsa Nossar from the Marrickville Metro Migrant Resource Centre and students from numerous universities assist students with homework. It operates EVERY Tuesday from 2.30pm-4.30pm after school in Room 105.

Marrickville High School Library also offers free help for all students with their homework every Thursday from 3:15 – 4:30pm.

Have a safe holiday and see you on Tuesday 6th October 2015.

DATES TO REMEMBER
For Term 4!

WEEK 2
Sydney Swifts Netball Program Commencement
Wednesday 14thOctober 2015 – Wednesday 2nd December 2015

WEEK 3
Sydney Theatre Company Program Commencement

WEEK 4
Sculpture by the Sea Excursion
Thursday 29thOctober 2015

WEEK 6
NSW 20/20 Cricket Program

WEEK 10
NSW Surf Lifesaving Program
Tuesday 8th December 2015

WEEK 11
IEC Picnic Day
Tuesday 15th December 2015

MARRICKVILLE YOUTH RESOURCE CENTRE

Sep/Oct 2015 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
‘Celebrating Mental Health Month’

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