



Xi'an Hi-Tech International School

The International Department

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Principal's Newsletter

Week 26

Dear Parents

Thank you for your patience as my family and I have jetted back and forth to New Zealand. It means a lot to my parents. Dad is spending some quality time with his grandchildren at the moment. Charlotte and the children will be back next weekend.

Next week I will be in Korea to serve on a school visiting team for the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. It has been an honor to be asked to serve on such a team. XHIS is working on its own school accreditation journey, and being part of a team that will visit another school is incredibly beneficial to our school as it will serve to strengthen the programme we have.

MYP Workshop: Revised Time

The workshop for MYP parents and students will now be held on, Wednesday 21st April. We will start at 8:45 and work through until 3:30. As stated last week, parents are invited to come. Please find the agenda below.

8:45 – Introduction to the day

9:00 – Burning issues, questions –“Parking lot” activity

9:15 –What is Assessment? What does assessment look like in the classroom? What should we expect from teachers?

- What is modified criteria?
- How do we use task Specific Indicators?
- Assessment cover sheet

10:00 –Assessment activity –writing an assessment task

10:30 –Snack

10:50 –Carry out assessment task

- Peer assessment
- Self assessment

12:20 –Lunch

1:20 – Planning, Action, Assessment

- What is the unit planner, and does this affect us as students?
- Areas of interaction – What are they?
- What is an MYP report, and how do we understand it?
- Ms Sudborough – Advisory programme

Assemblies

April 9	MYP/DP Humanities with Miss Sudborough
Apr. 16	Year 5
May 7	Year 6/7

Upcoming events

April 20	International Day
April 26 - May 4	School closed –May holidays
May 22	Spring Festival

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Dolce Bistro

Dolce Bistro will be installing their equipment in the school's lunch room on the 2nd floor next week. Lunch service will begin on Wednesday, April 21st. I will be sending out more information about this to you all tomorrow.

International Day: Tuesday, April 20th

Thank you to those parents who have already responded to last week's notice about our "Food From Around the World" Potluck lunch. If you have not already sent in a sheet, please complete the form below and return it to Jessica by Monday, April 12th. If you would prefer not to supply food for that day, or you would like your child to order a lunch as usual, please indicate this in the "comments" portion of the form below and return it to Jessica by Monday as well. We are trying to establish what foods we will be sharing on that day and get a general idea of quantities. Thanks for your support.

Food from Around the World: 12:35 – 1:30

"Potluck" (shared) lunch

Each family is asked to bring in a plate of food which is popular in their home country. If each family brings in a plate of food, there will be plenty to eat and share for all. Food will be laid out in a buffet format in the primary lunch room.

Please indicate below the food that your family will prepare and share.

Family	Food
	<p>Please include a brief description.</p> <p><i>The Intl. Day committee will use this to make a label for the food to place on the buffet table.</i></p>
	<p>Comments:</p>

Please return this form to Jessica by Monday, April 12th. It will help us in our planning to know which foods will be shared and give an indication of quantities.

Yours Sincerely

Alasdair Maclean
Principal

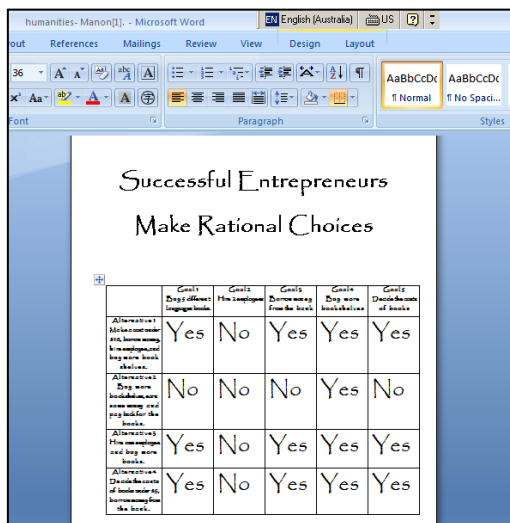
Causes and Effects

Year 8 and 9 students will be presenting issues related to the topic of the causes and effects of war. We have been applying these concepts to a number of conflicts including, but not limited to, the study of World War I and II.



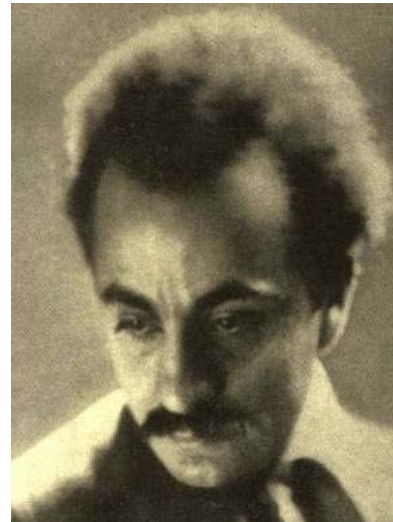
Successful Entrepreneurs

Year 10 and 11 students are developing a detailed business plan for hypothetical ventures each is developing which are intended to satisfy a need of their communities. During assembly, selected students will be presenting portions of their plans and explaining the significance of each product to the student body.



Humanities

Assembly Friday



Khalil Gibran. Artist, painter, writer.

Theory of Knowledge

During Friday's assembly, Diploma Programme students will be sharing about their discoveries about Truth and Faith. These are two of a number of philosophical topics which they are exploring in depth as they develop their final TOK thesis and research.



The Buddha



Dr. M.L.King Jr.



Gandhi

**Studying the human
condition with discipline.**



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XHIS International Department Lunch Orders			
Date 2010/4/12--2010/4/16			
Total RMB _____			
Student Name _____		Price	NO.
Monday (Local food)	Chinese bread with meat	4	
	Fried noodle (Vegetarian)	5	
Tuesday (Dolce)	Pork cutlet	15	
	Wild mushroom rice (Vegetarian)	18	
Wednesday (Village café)	Spaghetti	15	
	Quesadilla (Vegetarian)	20	
Thursday (Bacchus)	Vegetarian Pizza	15	
	Fried chicken wings with vegetable and rice	24	
Friday (Subway)	Roasted Chicken (with salad)	15	
	Roasted Chicken(no salad)	15	
	Vegetarian Subway	12	

Snack April 12 - April 16

Student: _____ Yes() No(x)

	Apr .12		Apr .13		Apr .14		Apr .15		Apr .16	
Morning	Yogurt		Bread		Yogurt		Banana		Cooked rice	
Afternoon	pear		Juice		Small tomato		Juice		Yogurt	