## Blessed Imelda's School News



#### Trying Hard for Our Goal

We came from class Jing in Blessed Imelda's School. There are forty-one students in our class. Though we haven't known each other for a long time, we soon became acquainted with others because we all have the same goal: being admitted to a national university. Although this goal is very challenging and some people think it impossible, we will still do our best to make it. If we want to be admitted to a prestigious school, we must study very hard, and obtain the three required licenses, including Level C technician for computer software application, Level B technician for computer software application, and Level C technician for accounting. In this way, we may have greater opportunity to achieve our goal.

Studying hard is easier said than done for students; however it is very important to us. Many students thought as long as they study hard enough, they would get high scores. However, it is not quite true. In addition to gaining knowledge, every student also has to cultivate the ability of critical thinking. In fact, most of the intelligent students are capable of thinking independently. Therefore, we are supposed to acquire such an ability, hoping that it will make it easier for us to achieve our goal in the near future.



#### Glorious Defeat

This year is really different because it's our school's 100th birthday! That's why it makes this year even more special to all of us! First came then Creative Dance Contest. Every class displayed creativity, energy and cooperation through its unique performance. In preparation for the contest, the leader of our class, Chang, Shu-Han, played a crucial role. She not only



taught everyone how to do the dance moves, but also inspired the whole class to be united. On September 30th, 2016, the contest took place! That morning, everyone was so excited discussing what outfits we were going to put on. After brainstorming, we decided to dress up like the classic role,

Harley Quinn, in the Suicide Squad movie. When everyone got ready, our show was coming! Due to the fact that we were the first class to perform, honestly we felt all extremely nervous. We were worried whether we didn't

put our best food forward in the competition. When our show started, we noticed everyone's eyes staring at us and enjoyed watching our dance. In the end, it turned out that we didn't get any place or an award, but it didn't matter that much. Despite being a bit frustrated, we had no regret since we had practiced so hard and done our best. Besides, we



realized that "Unity is strength." I think we all should give ourselves full marks for our performance in this contest because We All Deserved It!!!

## **English Learning**

There's no doubt that English is an essential tool for communication. At BIS, the students are required to build up good English abilities. Thus, the school authorities schedule various activities to help us learn this language well. For instance, all the students are assigned to study English magazines every month. Learning from Studio classroom is helpful, for it contains a large number of social events and international News. On Wednesdays, there is a broadcast on the content of the magazine. In addition, a weekly listening test is held every Thursday morning. To prepare for it, we need to study the content every day, which enables us to get improved gradually. Besides, many English-related contests, such as English Speech and Writing Competition, Comics Contest, and Singing Contest, take place regularly.

As the students in English program, we are lucky enough to develop our abilities through a variety of courses. In these courses, we have to study English novels, practice English speeches, horn English reading skills. In one special class, we even need to do a project on Dadaocheng. This indeed lets us put what we learn into practice. Our teachers also recommend us watch foreign TV series or watch foreign channels, like Discovery, or CNN. A website VoiceTube is another excellent learning tool, where there are lots of videos of practical usages



of English. Still another, TED is a great platform as well. We can watch people deliver inspirational speeches and gain considerable knowledge from them.

It is believed that we will show extraordinary abilities after studying at BIS for three years.

### **BIS 100**

This year is special because BIS is going to be 100 years old! We are extremely busy due to a lot of activities and competitions. First, we were arranged in lines and rows to form the image of number 100 in celebration for its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Later, many souvenirs came out, such as BIS girl line



stickers, T-shirts, nano blocks of BIS building, poetry notebooks. But among all the celebrations, the Creative Dance contest was worth mentioning the most. It is in fact a tradition in our school. Different from previous years, there were no set rules and we could decide our own music and choreography.

Since this summer vacation, we had already started to discuss what we would perform in the contest. After brainstorming, we planned to show youth, energy and the atmosphere of joy. Every class was devoted to this, and our class was no exception. We practiced hard whenever most of the class members were available. On the day right before the contest, we even went to Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall after school to have final rehearsals.

On the morning of September 30th, we were anxious and couldn't concentrate in class at all. We all hoped to give a perfect performance. As time ticked away, everyone was getting more and more nervous. When it was about time, we helped one another to decorate our uniform and put on make-up. Fortunately, our show went smoothly despite some mistakes. What's better, we got the Third place! All the efforts we made were worth it. And thanks to this activity, all girls in Class Mei became united and cooperative. I believe this is definitely one of the unforgettable memories we will share in the future.

# TZE POST

Reporter: Grace Chan Renee Hsu Tracy Wang



Publisher: S2 Tze

"S2 TZE is lively and lovely! S2 TZE comes in first!" The loud cheering sound echoes in the main auditorium. The BIS Creative Dance Competition is on! Creative Dance Competition is a significant competition in the beginning of this semester for all second-year students. We chose to remix cartoon songs and a Taiwanese song as our background music.

On 30th September, the real challenge was on.

When we were watching other teams perform and waiting for our turn, all of us felt extremely

nervous. After a while, it's show time! Everyone was cheering each other on so that we had more confidence in ourselves. We perfectly pulled it off and our teacher said it was our best performance ever. In the end of Creative Dance Competition, we won second place!!!And our teacher Genie also won a prize for her efforts, too. This really proves our efforts were not in vain, and the prize we won marks a perfect start of our second year.



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### Tracy's Mailbox



#### Dear Tracy,

My school life is quite normal and is filled with assignments and class competitions. Recently, I'm upset with the results of some contests we took part in. Our class has won two awards in two major contests—second runner-up in Gospel Singing and first runner-up in Creative Dance Show. It's very sad we have not yet come in first place in any contest. What should we do to win the highest honor in the coming competition? Upset in BIS

#### To Upset is BIS

As we all know that what matters in competition is to work as a team with a strong will to win. Winning awards is beneficial to class moral; it's crucial to its members. As for your question, I think what you should do is to devote yourself to winning. Find every possible way to motivate yourself and invite your classmates to do the same. Winning is not easy and, it takes courage. If the competition result bothers you, you should step out and lead your class onto the path of glorious victory. Go! Go!



### Halloween Spirit

In the West, Halloween is a great festival once a year, but over the years it has gained popularity in Asian countries. Our teacher Genie took advantage of this opportunity to hold a brief event to learn more about the history, origin, and culture of Halloween. Genie wore a black dress with a short cloak and a witch hat decorated with pumpkins. First, she arranged a short clip, which introduces Halloween. It evolved from the ancient Celtic holiday of Samhain. It's a day that marks the end of the harvest season; however, modern Halloween has become more about costumes and candies. People celebrates Halloween with various activities. including trick-or-treat, costume parties, carving pumpkins and so on. After the short video clip, we all recited a lovely poem about Halloween together, and Genie gave each of us a piece of candy. Although no students wore Halloween custumes, we believed that this was a great experience in our high school life.

# **JE POST**

It's time to protect our earth NOW!

#### **Global Warming**

Human beings should take the responsibility for the consequences of global warming.

Our earth is getting hotter and hotter, and if it isn't improved, the earth's temperature will rise to the highest in the end of this century. Humans keep depending on fossil fuel to provide required energy, the greenhouse gas it exhausted strengthens greenhouse effect to cause global warming.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE MAINLY DISASTERS CAUSED BY GLOBAL WARMING:

#### SEA-LEVEL RISE

Don't think that sea-level rise is insignificant to us. Taiwan is a sea island. If sealevel rises 60 meters, sea water will cover one fourth of Taiwan. Before 21 century is over, sea-level will rise at least 1 meter. For our posterity, we should prevent and improve it.

#### GLACIAL MELTING

Sea-level rise is caused by glacial melting. It is worthy to mention that ice layer on ocean like Arctic sea ice is melting. Its melting won't cause directly to sea-level rise.

Instead, it lets sea-level drop. It is because the salinity of ocean is higher than ice layer's.

#### EXTREME WEATHER

Extreme weather including the weather that is abnormal, serious, non-seasonal or exceed historic average value. It means that global warming not just let temperature rise but also drop. This year, there was super cold current in Taiwan. However, winter would be late in the future and would be extremely cold as well.

#### FOOD CRISIS

There are many reasons creating food crisis, such as poverty, natural disasters, conflicts, global food prices, diseases, complex emergencies. Climate change also influences the harvest.

#### SPECIES EXTINCTION

Species extinctions in the past are caused by the change of natural environment.

Nevertheless, nowadays due to climate changes, pollutions and jackleg exploits for economy, these fasten species extinction. In other words, humans should take the responsibility for it.

### Reduce your carbon footprint

It is not difficult to save the planet as long as you make a change.

"Only if we understand, will we care. Only if we care, will we help. Only if we help shall all be saved."—Jane Goodall

To echo what Jane Goodall said, as a student of BIS, what can we do in our daily life to save our earth?

The future is grasped by our hands, so we have to do something helpful for the Earth. First of all, a lunch without meat is provided for all students and teachers once a week.

Secondly, students make it a rule to turn off the lights during lunch time.

Last but not least, the thing that we feel really proud of our school is recycling. We classify bottles, paper, hard and soft plastic, and aluminum can twice a day. By doing so, used objects can be reuse to make other products.

As a result, there won't be anything wasted and less things will be burned. In this case, less carbon dioxide and toxic gases will be released into the air.



This is our lunch.

The place we recycle.



These are what we do daily at school. Being a good citizen of the globe, we keep the below-mentioned steps as a habit and will never get tired of it.

Here are some other tips that you can do from now on :

- Stop standby power waste.
- Set "sleep mode" when you turn on the air conditioner.
- 3. Walk stairs instead of taking elevator.
- 4. Reuse shopping bags or plastic bags.
- 5. Eat what's in season or local.
- 6. Make a good job of recycling.

Changing diet also can reduce carbon footprint, according to the research, if everyone stop eating beef, even just reduce half of amount of beef from diet, it can avoid most pollution and carbon dioxide emissions.



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#### INTRODUCE OUR CLASS

When you come up to six floor, you will hear lousy sounds without a doubt, that's our class -Cheng. Although class Cheng is a noisy class, but we have all kinds of multi-talented classmates. Some of us are good at illustration full of creativity, and some have interest in playing music. Regardless of classical music or pop music, we all have people talented in this area. Still others have their talent in physical sports. What's more, some even like to write novels, because of this, we have well to shown all diverse contests, for example, we have good behavior in long jump rope hopping race, classroom derection, Calistenics contesy, humn of a well talented class, there must be a teacher full of leadership, that is our teacher whom is deeply respected and qualified. She has a good reputation in this school, since teaching in this school for thirty six years, because the kindness and admirable just lie a mother, so we usually call her "mommy". She did not only taught us society but also taught us a lot of condition of the truth. We also learned a lot of virtue from her. She instills us the importance of honestly and to build up our own discipline, moreover when we face frustrations or be widered she always gives us s positive attitude towards life and a optimistic emotion to overcome those. Everybody likes her a lot. We really appreciate her investion.





#### **DURING CLASS DANCE**

Up to second grade summer vacation we have during class dance. This year's competition is different from usual. Owing to 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, so we didn't have to be same as the school arrangement. Thus every class have limitless innovative ideas, and all kinds of characteristics. We have some classmates who are good a dancing, they taught us how to dance and we were all put into many application practicing dancing, moreover, went to Taipei International Flora Exposition after school to practice our dance. As the resuit of constantly practicing. Just as expected: Heaven helpsthose who helps themselves. Sduring the competition, although everyone were all keyed-up, no one makes mistake, furtheremore we all danced regular, our slogan yelled in a loud voice. When everybody heard we are winning, we cherring, hug each other, and feel joyful. Everyone took pride in our class. Pur class were more centripetal force. Everyone because this competition and be more care about our class activity.



#### TBL

In first grade we had a special class. A special guest come from Jordan , taught us science, she spoke a lot of science proper nouns in English. Although some nouns we didn't understand, fortuantly we had a translater, he helped us a lot in class. She taught us such as litmus paper and ph value, espectially she use IRS to taught us science. Although this teacher is a little bit solemn, after class she was very kind to took picture with us. Though this special, hard to come by experience. Expect to enhance our international viewpoint also make us have deep understanding about different culture.

