

We should not teach children the sciences
but give them a taste for them.. - *Jean Jacques Rousseau*

- the 89th issue -
www.isa.edu.ph

The Monthly Newsletter of ISA
菲律賓怡朗新華學院通訊月刊



A daily snug scene @ lunchtime. Grades 1 and 2 children take their lunch between 10:55 and 11:35 at the canteen. The ever-watchful parents and guardians seem absent in the photos. Not quite. They are all standing in alert behind the cordon, ready to breach the line at a slightest hint. Since the opening in June, all elementary learners take their lunch by themselves, and all did well in front of the disbelieving eyes (yes, at the first few days) of their parents.

SUMMER RECITAL

Summer vacation gives a lot of opportunities for kids to try new skills and discover new talents. Every year, ISA offers summer workshops in keyboard, guitar and drums, aside from the academic courses. The workshop started on 11 April and had its culminating activity in the morning of 25 May at the ISA gym. A selection of well loved piano pieces, Filipino folk songs and contemporary songs entertained the audience as 22 recitalists showcased their skills in playing piano, guitar, and drums. There were also performances from selected ISAers who are taking up violin lessons at the St. Matthew's Tutorial Hub. Some learners were invited to render song numbers like Francis Noel Chua who led the invocation; Ma. Allyssa Bea Duya and Jacob Lorenz Yu who awed the audience with their song numbers.

As an act of gratitude to their parents, the recitalists offered red roses to their parents while Aaron Babayen serenades them with the song "Just the way you are". The show concluded with the giving of certificates to the recitalists by Mr. Peter Chan, ISA executive director and a finale song by the recitalists entitled "We are the world".

Indeed, it was a fun way to spend summer vacation. D.C.



ISAers Shine @ PRISAAP Congress

ISA was as one of the schools which has the most number of participants in the Regional Youth Congress of the Private Secondary School Administrators Association of the Philippines held last July 21-23 at the University of San Agustin.

Listed below are the events that ISAers were able to win during the 3-day gathering:

Kevinn Friedrich Chan was elected PIO (Panay) of PRISAAP Council for SY 2012-13.

Nicole Lao was 2nd runner-up in the Filipino Declamation, and Unna Fernandez won 1st runner-up in Live to Dance.

The Search for Mr. and Ms. PRISAAP 2011 was indisputably the highlight of the whole event. After a series of contests in different categories, Emma Rose Guanco and Hans Christian Romulo Chavez both won Second Runner Up. Emma was also adjudged best in school uniform; and Hans won in three individual categories, best in production number, best in school uniform, and best in formal attire.



Sino Language Seminar Held at ISA 65 Chi-Fil School Mentors Attended

A team composed of 3 college professors headed by Mr. Wu Lei, an official from the Jiangsu Province Overseas Chinese Office, arrived in Iloilo City on 9 August to conduct a 2-day seminar covering subjects such as child psychology, Chinese language classroom instruction, and handicraft.

The seminar was held at the ISA gym on 10-11 August. Sixty-five teachers from ISA, ICCHS, and SYSHS attended. A brief opening ceremony preceded the seminar.

The assistant dean of Nanjing Normal University College of Education, Dr. Fu Hong, talked about the "Development of Child's Psychology and Education". He presented the theoretical bases of case studies, which helped shed lights on the questions that arise out of the varied behavior of children of different ages.

The team left for Cebu City on 12 August to hold similar talks.



Grand Rally held a day prior to the election of Learners Council. Candidates presented the party platform before the Grade 4 to 4th Year learners. An open forum and cultural numbers prepared by the candidates followed thereafter.

ISA-Learners Council Election Held Dennis Ventilacion Voted President

For the past years, the student leader organization, ISA Student Council, had initiated talent spurs, run for a cause programs, donate-a-book missions, waste management schemes, gift-giving projects, and many more. The name ISA Student Council is now officially changed into ISA Learners Council as announced by the Executive Director, Mr. Peter Chan, during the opening of the school year.

In spite of carrying a new banner with a new name, the Learners Council has never lost its advocacy of making the voices of the ISA learners be heard. With its new President, Dennis Ventilacion, the council is geared up to take new heights.

Here is the result of the Learners Council Election last 15 July: President – Dennis Ventilacion; Vice President – Kevinn Friedrich Chan; Secretary - Hans Christian Romulo Chavez; Asst. Secretary – Michelle Louise Anne Naces; Treasurer – Karl Denzel Lao; Asst. Treasurer – Jessica Valderrama; Auditor – Mary Christine Valderrama; Asst. Auditor – Unna Isabelle Fernandez; P.I.O. – Erina Mae Fahy; Sports Coordinator – Jherod Tilos; Class Representatives: Norvan Jalipa (1st Year); Alyssa Faith Rivero (2nd Year); Bianca Jade Lacson (3rd Year) and Janezza Javier (4th Year).

UP DPSM Held Forum at ISA Gym

The 3rd and 4th year ISAers attended a forum conducted by a team of faculty members from the Division of Physical Sciences and Math, College of Arts and Sciences, U.P. in the Visayas on 16 June. They were composed of four members headed by Prof. Vicente Balinas. The talk focused on the three programs of the Division: BS Applied Mathematics, BS Science, and BS Statistics. After the power point presentation of the different degree programs, some learners asked questions regarding the career they suit to take in college. It was the best venue for the learners to be informed of the system of the premier university in the country.



Ms. He Ying and Mr. Sun Huageng from Jiangsu, China dealt with the classroom teaching methodology and Chinese arts and handicraft, respectively, at the seminar.