

ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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From the Principal



Dear valued members of our school community

Happy holidays time to recharge

Congratulations to everyone for your fine work this term. Hope you make time over the next two weeks to recharge, tackle new experiences, read interesting books and immerse yourself in nature.

Best wishes to our graduating students from the English for Academic Purposes SACE Connect class. We wish you well as you commence Term 4 study at your destination school. Thank you for your solid contribution to our school community. Congratulations and good luck to:

LE GIA MY NGUYEN (MY)
KA CHUN SIU (CATON)
TSZ CHING HU (RITA)

Term 3 can be a challenging term – lots of hard coursework, pressing assessment deadlines and everyone is ready for some warmer weather. I'd like to take this opportunity to send positive thoughts to our SACE

Stage 2 (Year 12) students. Our Year 12s have just completed their full year trial examinations. They have been busy finishing their 30% external assessments. The thought of upcoming SACE final examinations just 5 weeks away can be daunting to many. I urge students to remain positive – there is so much to look forward to. I urge all our Year 12 students to look for the positives in what lies ahead – certainly some exciting life changing decisions coming up. So much more can be achieved in these next 5 weeks with careful planning and true dedication. My advice to our 12s is “Remain Positive - Push through; Tweak your mindset; Take yourself out of your comfort zone.” Be you. Be the best you. Everyone else not in Year 12 – consider this advice too. Don’t dwell on what you didn’t achieve. Focus on what strategy you plan to put in place to achieve your future goals. “Remain Positive - Push through; Tweak your mindset; Take yourself out of your comfort zone.” Be you. Be the best you.

Good luck to everyone. Happy, safe holidays. See you refreshed on Monday 17 October 2022. Email me if you need my assistance at: gina.kadis@ais.edu.au

Gina Kadis
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Teaching and Learning News

Year 12 Student Representation

In Year 12 we have been learning about representation. It is important to get the ideas of the students into the school. We have been talking about uniform, healthy food and how representation works. We want to hear from our students about our current dress code now that more students are onsite, their thoughts about homework club, their ideas about independent study and the type of food they’d enjoy eating on campus. We feel representation is a good way for students to develop agency and confidence will grow as a result.

In Year 12 our representatives are:





Jason Yu

My name is Jason and come from China. I am a Year 12 student from AIS. In the past, I have participated in many competitions and been the chairman of the simulation CPPCC. In addition, I took part in China thinks big which is held by Harvard University.

The SRC representative that have been chosen are Jason and Gisella. The reason why I choose Jason and Gisella to become a representative for students in our school is that they have a good attitude toward ideas. Also they show discipline in their assignments and they are diligent.

Our class representatives are Jason and Gisella. Jason is always humble and he is also such a diligent student.

Jason and Gisella will represent our class in the school. Jason are representing us because he is very efficient. Every time, he can finish the task ahead of time.

Jason and Gisella will represent our class in the school. We chose them because they have many advantages that are more suitable for this job than others. Jason will think deeply when encountering problems again and judge the matter from many aspects. After he has made up his mind to do something, he has always been persistent in completing it.

I have known Jason for several years, and I think he has a sense of responsibility. He is strict with himself, and the homework assigned by the teacher will be taken seriously and completed efficiently.

Kindest,

Ms Zara Phillips, Director of Teaching and Learning



Gisella

Hi Everyone, My name is Chalista Hanni Gisella and you can call me Gisella. Now, I was in year 12 and I am 17 years old from Adelaide International School. My home country is Indonesia, and I am an international student. I was very pleased and grateful to be a part of SRC in representing my school. It was the best opportunity for me to improve my speaking skills, confidence, and contribute to the school and even the community. Thank you for choosing me as SRC. I will try my best to do my new job as SRC for my school.

Thank you....

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Gisella is always calm and she is such a smart student, she also always diligent and her performance is always perfectly perfect.

Jason and Gisella will represent our class in the school. Gisella is representing us because her ideas are more comprehensive.

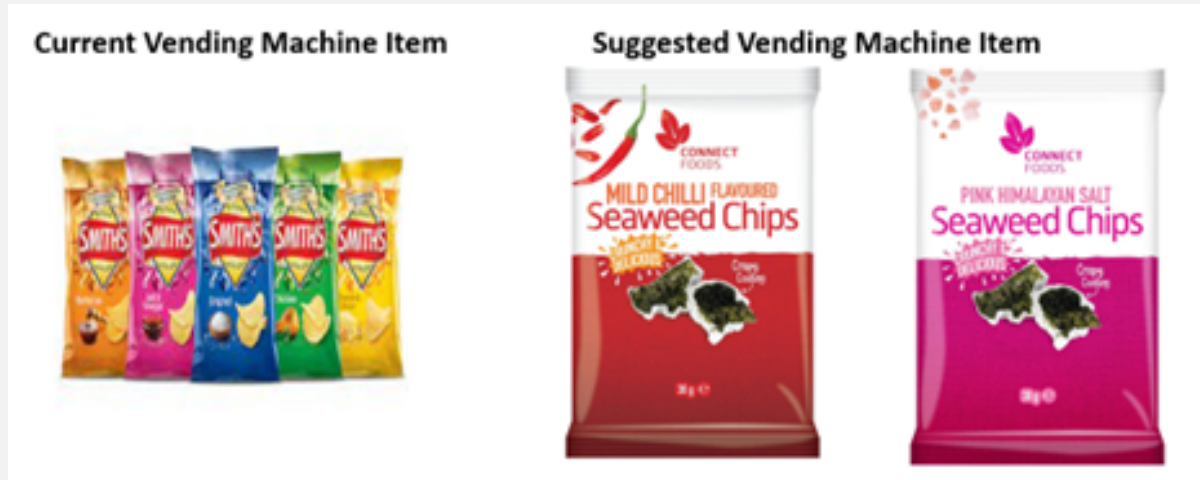
Jason and Gisella will represent our class in the school. We chose them because they have many advantages that are more suitable for this job than others. Gisella is quiet in the class but she is very efficient in finishing her work. So, we choose them to represent our class.

I haven't known Gisella for a long time but I think she is a quiet and steady girl. She also has her own attitude.

From our Wellbeing Facilitator

A key strategic wellbeing goal is to continue strengthening and valuing the student voice in the school. This will further empower our students in negotiation and decision making skill development, enriching the lives of all students at our school. Research has shown that by promoting student voice, students feel a greater sense of belonging and have more confidence in their own abilities.

On 20 and 21 September, all students had an excursion to the local supermarket to explore a range of healthy food and drink choices. The aim of the excursion was to build and support student agency and voice at AIS. Students needed to summarize their findings from the excursion and make suggestions to the current vending machine company, to change the current vending machine snacks and drinks to healthier options. Overall, the excursions went smoothly, and we received some great vending machine food and drink suggestions. Here are some examples of the advice that we received from the students:



In Week 10 on Thursday, we will have our first SRC meeting post-covid now we have more students onsite, to discuss the school uniform matter. All students at AIS have had a chance to share their opinions about school uniforms with their SRC representatives. Moreover, all students have completed the ballot papers to vote for their uniform preferences. The school will use the outcome of the vote and the feedback from the students to make a fair decision about school uniforms in the future.

Kind regards
Ms Sally Xu

Year 12 Graduation News

YEAR 12 GRADUATION DINNER

Invitation Letters have now been distributed, in addition to this newsletter. Please email Kitty Shao on: kitty.shao@aeg.edu.au if you have not received this Invitation Letter.

We are delighted to announce that we have secured the talented educator Dr Lynda MacLeod, School of Education, University of Adelaide as our Keynote Speaker.

On the same day as the graduation ceremony, the Graduation Dinner will be held at Adelaide Pavilion (on the corner of King William Street and South Terrace) from 6.00 pm to 8:30pm (Adelaide time), organized by Ms Sally Xu. All Year 12 students, family members, homestay guardians, members of the Board and staff are welcome to attend the event. If you wish to attend, the total cost for each attendee is \$100 including a 3 course meal (selected by our student leaders) and non-alcoholic drinks package. Please contact Ms Sally Xu at sally.xu@ais.edu.au for more information.

YEAR 12 GRADUATION CEREMONY

On 3 November 2022, the graduation ceremony will be held at MIDDAY (Adelaide time), organized by Ms Zara Phillips. Details of the graduation ceremony will be sent to the families in the next few weeks by Ms Phillips. If you have any questions about the graduation ceremony, please contact Ms Zara Phillips at zara.phillips@ais.edu.au



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