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### FINE ARTS WEEK

YIA is celebrating Fine Arts Week from March 15–19. Students in art class will be participating in screen printing and tie–dyeing activities on Tuesday and Wednesday and in Gyotaku printing as an optional experience during lunch time on Thursday. We would like to invite parents to join and help their child with tie–dyeing and Gyotaku printing. If you are interested in joining any activity, please inform your children's national advisory teacher.

Music classes will be held outside next week if the weather allows. Students will be doing music activities that connect to both PE and Art classes. Choir will have a chance to perform a short "flash mob" performance during lunch time next week. There will be a "piano open mic" opportunity during lunch time on Thursday. A piano will be set up in the cafeteria, and students can take turns playing a song (one song or 4 minutes allowed per student). There will also be a piano and other instruments set up in the 3rd floor collaboration space all week for students to play.

### YIA/YHIS SECONDARY WRITING COMPETITION

We are pleased to announce that YIA is hosting the first annual secondary writing competition on Saturday, March 27 with a focus on short stories. The competition will give students an opportunity to learn how to approach writing creatively and use language as a tool to produce literary art by reflecting on the world around them. Questions can be addressed to Ms. Sophie Zhang at sophie.zhang@yia-china.com. Please refer to the details below.

Entrants:	Secondary students in Yantai	
How to register:	Complete a WeChat interest form by scanning the QR	code.
Registration fee:	YIA students is 50 RMB and non–YIA students is 100 RMB. Please scan the QR code to pay the registration fee.	



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#### UNIVERSITY VISIT FROM ABERYSTWYTH UNIV.

An admissions representative from Aberystwyth University will be visiting YIA on Monday, March 15. Aberystwyth University is located in Wales, and it has been rated Best in the UK for teaching quality as well as student experience. Interested high school students will be invited to attend the presentation during their lunch period (12:25–1:05 pm) in Room 305. Questions can be addressed to Anna Rubsam at anna.rubsam@yhischina.com.

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

April 2nd is the World Autism Awareness Day which aims to put a spotlight on the hurdles that people with autism and others living with autism face every day. This year YIA is going to partner with a local autism center to provide a volunteer opportunity for our students to raise the public awareness about children with autistic spectrum disorders. On April 2nd, children from the autism center are going to hold an art show in Yantai art gallery. There are some volunteer opportunities for our students to participate. If anyone is interested, please email Ms. Yolanda Zhang at Yolanda.zhang@yia-china.com . We would also like to invite parents to join.



World Autism Awareness Day

## **iSC TEACHER CONFERENCE & VOLUNTEER DAY**

The ISC Teacher Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, April 6, 2021. Please note that it is a noschool day as staff will be involved in professional development. We encourage students to do community service or other volunteer on that day. Our College Counselor will provide an extracurriculum activity form which give students guidance on volunteering.

### SEMESTER ONE AWARD CEREMONY

The Semester One Award Ceremony took place last Friday during assembly. The awards were presented to students who demonstrated highest level of academic work/improvement in the



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subject, leadership skills, etc. Through the Award Ceremony, we recognize students' hard-working and excellent behavior in the first semester and encourage all students at YIA to learn and lead.





#### **UPDATES ON LITERACY WEEK**

YIA Students participated in various activities to celebrate Literacy Week last week. For the Acrostic Poem Competition, Ella Wang and Judy Zhao's acrostic poems were voted the best poems by students. Eric Li, Minnie Wang and Sophia Xu's poems were voted the best ones by teachers. The poems written by Poppy Cui, Judy Zhao and Catherine Chen were also nominated by teachers. Great work! We would also like to congratulate the following students for achieving the top 3 AR points.

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: Jolin Zhang
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: David Wang
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Catherine Chen









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#### SUMMER 2021 SERVICE TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

This summer, iSC is offering 2 new service trips for high school students. These trips will help students to grow in their understanding of service, connection, and persistence.

The dates for both trips are from June 22–July 2, 2021. Students in grades 9–12 may apply.

For both trips, students will earn service hours by helping with projects such as trail clean–up, assisting with meal preparation, and painting houses. The trips will also include time spent hiking and camping in the beautiful mountains of Sichuan Province, and learning how to responsibly enjoy the wilderness.

wilderness. For more details, including cost and registration, please see the PDF at THIS link.



#### UPDATES ON CELL PHONE POLICY

According to the documents issued in January 2021 by Chinese authorities, cell phones are banned in schools as these electronic products have posed an alarming threat to the eyesight as well as psychological well-being of school students. Please read the Parent Letter we sent out on Thursday regarding our updated the cell phone policy. We would like to work with you in creating better environments for the sound and safe growth of our children.

### **DELIVERY FOOD AND PACKAGES**

Students are not allowed to bring in delivery food or packages to school. If any emergency or necessary needs, the parents should contact national teachers to pick up the packages for the students or the teachers issue an approval slip for the students to pick up the packages.



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### SCHOOL CALENDAR

- March 15–19 Fine Arts Week
- March 27 Creative Writing Contest

#### LUNCH MENU

#### **CHINESE LUNCH MENU**

Menu	Monday March 15	Tuesday March 16	Wednesday March 17	Thursday March 18	Friday March 19
Grains	Steamed Rice	Steamed Mixed White and Brown Rice	Fried Rice with Eggs	Stir-fried Noodles with Vegetables	Steamed Mixed White Rice and Millet
Protein Food	Steamed Chicken with Chili Sauce, Coke Chicken Wing	Braised Pork with Cherry Juice, Stewed Beef with Tomato	poached spicy slices of pork, Stewed spine with wax gourd	Kung Pao Chicken, Sweet and sour fish fillet	Braised Beef with Potatoes, Fried Pork with Pineapple
Vegetables	Stir-fried Shredded Potatoes, Stir-fried Broccoli with Garlic	Stir–fried Eggs with Tomatoes, Green Pepper Organic cauliflower	Fried Egg with Leek, Stir–fried Potato, Green Peppers, and Eggplant	Sauteed Mushrooms with Green vegetables, Sauteed shredded carrots with shredded chicken	Stir–fried Mushroom and Cole, Braised Eggplant
Soup	Mixed Congee	Noodle Slice Soup	Tomato and Egg Drop Soup	Spicy Soup	Seaweed and Egg Soup
Allergens	Peanut	Egg	Egg	Egg	Egg



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### KOREAN LUNCH MENU

Menu	Monday March 15	Tuesday March 16	Wednesday March 17	Thursday March 18	Friday March 19
Grains	Steamed Rice	Steamed Rice	Beef Bibimbap <i>(Optional:</i> Gochujang sauce)	Korean Street Toast	Kimchi Chicken Fried Rice Burrito
Protein Food	Quail Eggs in Sweet Sauce Crispy Boneless Chicken	Korean Curry Chicken Fried Fish Cake		Sausage in Tomato Sauce Grilled Boneless Chicken Leg	Korean Meat Dumplings
Vegetables	Spinach with Garlic Korean Beansprout with Garlic	Eggplant Zucchini	Kimchi with Onion	Spinach with Garlic, Stir–fried Mushrooms	Beansprout with Sesame, Korean stir-fried mixed vegetables
Others	Beef Kelp Soup	Bean Sprout Soup Dessert	Fish Cake Soup	Kimchi Tuna Soup	Fish Cake Soup
Allergens	Egg	Seafood, Bean products	Egg, Wheat, Seafood	Wheat, seafood	Wheat, seafood

### WESTERN LUNCH MENU

Menu	Monday March 15	Tuesday March 16	Wednesday March 17	Thursday March 18	Friday March 19
Grains	Spaghetti Bolognese			Steamed White Rice	Mexican Chicken
Protein Food	Fried Chicken Cutlet Grilled Chicken Leg with Black Pepper	Polish Fried Rice with Beef Curry Beef	N/A	Baked Fish with Herbs BBQ Boneless Chicken	Wrap Baked Pork Neck Meat
Vegetables	Black Pepper Broccoli	Baked Slices Potatoes Snow Peas with		Italian–style Mashed Potatoes and Spinach	Baked Tomato with Cheese Black Pepper



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		Butter		Broccoli
Soup/Others	Pumpkin Cream Soup	Mushroom Cream Soup	Broccoli Cream Soup	Cake
Allergens	Milk, Wheat	Milk	Milk, Seafood	Egg, Milk, Wheat



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