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REACH OUT FOR THE STARS

Lights out for the Lyrid Meteor Shower

by Fadlin Aimuni Binting
22 April

LIS students grabbed the opportunity to observe the natural phenomenon meteor shower on 22 April 2017. 27 students, including 5 students from SK Sg Lada witnessed those magical moments in the sky.

As LIS is one of the strategic areas in Labuan to observe or gaze at stars and the space, the school is proud of its inaugural usage of our very own telescope on that spectacular night.

Out of the classroom, students, with their teachers' guidance, benefitted from the exposure and learnt about the universe.

The star gazing workshop started at 8pm. Students were taught on how to calculate the meteor shower and the usage of telescope by Ustaz Awgku Bolkizan and Ustaz Ridzuan, trainers from Falaq Unit, Labuan Mufti Department.

The students were privileged to use the telescope to gaze at the moon and Jupiter at around 10 pm while waiting for the meteor shower.

Meteor shower lyrid was only visible at around 1 am to 3 pm in the morning (around 1 to 7 meteors were being observed since the sky was covered by clouds).

Our students developed a better understanding of the constellation, meteor, the moon and the sun that has direct influence on human life.



According to the astrologist, the next meteor outburst will be in 2040 or 2041. Students gained more knowledge through the discovery of our sky.

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Kids Discovery Camp

by Marlini Ahmad

22-23 April

64 lower primary students from Labuan gathered at LIS Kids Fun Discovery Camp on 22 and 23 April.

With the objectives of instilling lifelong values of teamwork and individual responsibility to children and to support their personal growth in a conducive learning environment, LIS teachers committee has offered a unique kids fun discovery camp in which the importance of knowledge and sports is emphasised.

Since the camp kick-started in 2014, LIS has been receiving more request for participation from other schools in Labuan.

With full commitment from the teachers, staff, students and parents during the Kids Fun Discovery Camp, this programme was successfully held. Participants enjoyed all the activities and they are looking forward to next year's camp.



Children cheered at the field.

KIDS PROGRAMMES

DAY 1

Memory Chain & My Mask
Obstacle Run
Puzzles Solving
Creative Designer
Cultural Night
Fear Factor

DAY 2

Jungle Trekking
Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony

LIS Inter-school Debate Competition

by Peter Teo

22 April

Labuan International School successfully held its fifth Inter-School Debate Competition on 22 April with the tagline "Our Voices Resonate, The Minds and Hearts Passionate" at LIS Auditorium and Art Gallery.

With 10 schools from Labuan, Sabah and Kuala Lumpur participating in this competition, Sabah Tshung Tsin School once again bagged the Champion Trophy home, followed by SMK Limbanak, Penampang and SM Sains Labuan.

Benjamin Michael Teo from (Sabah Tshung Tsin) won the best debater.

LIS Debate Teams made to Semi-Final which significantly proved the students better progress in the art of debating. In conclusion, it was a very valuable experience for both LIS students and teachers to witness the good quality of debating skills from all participating schools.

We hope that our debaters will do better to achieve victory in the debate competition next year.



Students gained a lot of experience from this debate competition.

SIDENEWS



Prefects Camp

by Hendry Anak Kui Siong

24-26 February

45 students and 21 teachers participated in the Prefects Camp in LIS compound, with tagline "in service of fairness and justice", which both characteristics were instilled in all participants through the variety of fun and exciting activities.

Kem Solat Bestari

by Ustaz Erzadiansyah

3-5 March

40 students learnt more about Solat in depth with ease and fun.

FAST FACTS

80%

Parents agreed that LIS students are getting quality education. – LIS General Survey, March 2017.

90%

Parents agreed that LIS school activities are good for their children's development.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Obtain LIS General Survey March 2017 from Marketing And Promotion Unit.
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LIS Choir in action.

LIS Celebrates Linguistics in Diversity

by KL Choy

9 May

The objective of Literary Day is to acknowledge literacy and its use of multiple languages within the community of Labuan International School (LIS).

We in LIS, take full advantage of this diversity, showcasing them through the presentation of various genres and languages.

The event also featured contemporary and traditional dance performances.



Storytelling



Choral speaking



Traditional Chinese Fan Dance

There were about 15 performances that consisted of singing performances, tongue twister, storytelling, choral speaking, musical drama, *pantun*, *deklamasi sajak*, *bicara berirama* and *bercerita*.

Mind Olympiad

by Stephania Tay

5 May

Labuan International School had a successful annual Mind Olympiad on the 5th of May 2017.

The competition received participation from 8 Kindergartens around Labuan namely Tadika Riang Ria (LIS), Tadika Chung Hwa, Tadika Chi Hwa, Smart Reader Kids, Tadika St. Anne, Tadika Fantasia Ceria, Tadika Perpaduan Flat JKR and Tadika Minda with a total of 10 teams participating in the event.

The competition ranged from English and Bahasa Melayu spelling contest to mathematical quizzes. The winners were decided from highest accumulated points through a qualification round and moving on to semi-final and final round.

The champion emerged from the host-school representative that consisted of



Maia Louise Suzara, Flora Aureli Azalia & Caryn Eleanor Tan.

The 1st runner-up was also LIS team represented by Ayden Zachary Reegan, Theenash Chandra Kumar & Adam Fahmi Bin Hasdey.

The 2nd runner ups were Tan Pek Hong, Cleavant Chong Jiunn Ann & Radwinner Lincoln from Smart Reader Kids.

Among the honoured guests who attended the event included Mdm. Mimi D. Selvakumar the director of Department of National Unity & Integration (Labuan).



MSSWPL Track and Field Competition

By Genemar Harun

28 March – 1 April
Majlis Sukan Sekolah-Sekolah Wilayah Persekutuan Labuan (MSSWPL, Labuan Schools Sports Council) is an annual event where all the Secondary and Primary Schools in Labuan compete in the sports competition.

It serves as a platform for talented students in sports and candidates will be chosen among winners from MSSWPL to represent Labuan at the national level competition, Majlis Sukan Sekolah-Sekolah Malaysia (MSSM).

Esther Gan in Category Girls under 18 won Gold Medal in Discus Throw. Mirza Sabrina bt Mohd Rizlan in the same category won Silver Medal in High Jump.

Amenda Yong (Girl U18) also won a Bronze Medal in the Long Jump event. In Girls Under 12 Category, Umairah Bt Adif won a Bronze medal in the 400 Meter event.

The school congratulated the achievements of LIS students in Track & Field competition.



Mind, Body and Soul - developing a balanced individual in school

by Pn Zainab Batin, Principal

Imagine a world that is so peaceful. In that world we have all the members contributing to its sustainable development which allows knowledge, skills, attitudes and values necessary to shape a sustainable future. It is an obligation of all education in the 21st Century to be geared upon achieving relevant skills and values which shape a person into becoming a balanced and responsible Global Citizen.

Becoming a Global Citizen

LIS believes in a balanced education. We strongly agree that there is no other way to ensure balance in a child but to offer a balanced approach between academic rigour, playing sports and participating in soul-nurturing programmes. The minute a child joins LIS, that is the time when all educators in Labuan International School will focus on the child and eager to see his growth and development in all aspects that we truly believe in LIS.

Mind, Body and Soul

Challenging the Mind, Strengthening the Body and Nurturing the Soul has been the steadfast guiding focus of education in Labuan International School towards realising our objective. Nothing Is Impossible and all is within reach if we continue to Strive for Excellence. That has been and will always be the mantra of the educators in LIS and we continue to drum it into the ears of our students and parents.

A Balanced Individual

In LIS we believe in giving all opportunities to the children whether in sports, performing arts and others that are out of the classroom mind activities which boost/enhance the child's development into a responsible and balanced human being. This balanced approach carries through into everything that we do. It's not just about academics and it's not just about football, swimming, dancing, singing and playing instruments. It is about having these things complementing each other. We strongly feel about

raising the wholesomeness of a person and we are all about the child's wellbeing in LIS.

Academically, we want our students to strive and be open to different academic subjects and styles of learning. Our faculties are constantly checking and enhancing the curriculum, all with an eye on providing students with opportunities to achieve success.

Sports/Games and Swimming, we encourage them to try their hand at multiple skills early on until they find those that they truly enjoy.

Artistically, we offer numerous opportunities for LIS students to explore the arts, whether on the stage dancing, singing or playing music instrument but also with art at an easel.

When it comes to developing *leadership skills*, there are numerous extra-curricular opportunities at LIS and students are encouraged to participate and play a role in fine tuning everything from the activities offered which direct them seriously in building good character in everything they do.

Teaching our students good attitude and values and to care about their environment is the utmost importance. This creates a big impact to a child's learning experience and glued all the bigger components in LIS Education. It formed a well-balanced education which supports and enhances students' potential in becoming excellent individuals, balanced and responsible Global Citizens.



SIDE NEWS



Blood Donation Campaign

66 pints of blood has been collected successfully in this year's campaign with the theme "The Gift of Blood is the Gift of Life" at Financial Park on 29 April.



Annual Swimming Gala

LIS Sport House Wyvern emerged as the champion in this year's swimming gala, followed by Pegasus, Phoenix and Griffin.



MSSWPL Aquatic 2017

A total of 30 LIS students participated in MSSWPL Swimming Competition and bagged 26 Gold medals, 19 Silver medals and 15 Bronze medals home. LIS emerged as the overall champion in the Secondary School category. LIS also won the overall third place with 4 Gold medals, 10 Silver medals and 8 Bronze medals in Primary School category. 16 Records were broken by LIS students!

Alumni of the Month **Victor Kong**

What is your occupation now?

I am a Composer for Film, TV and Video Games.

Which activities were you involved in whilst studying at LIS?

A lot.

Which subjects did you enjoy the most? Why?

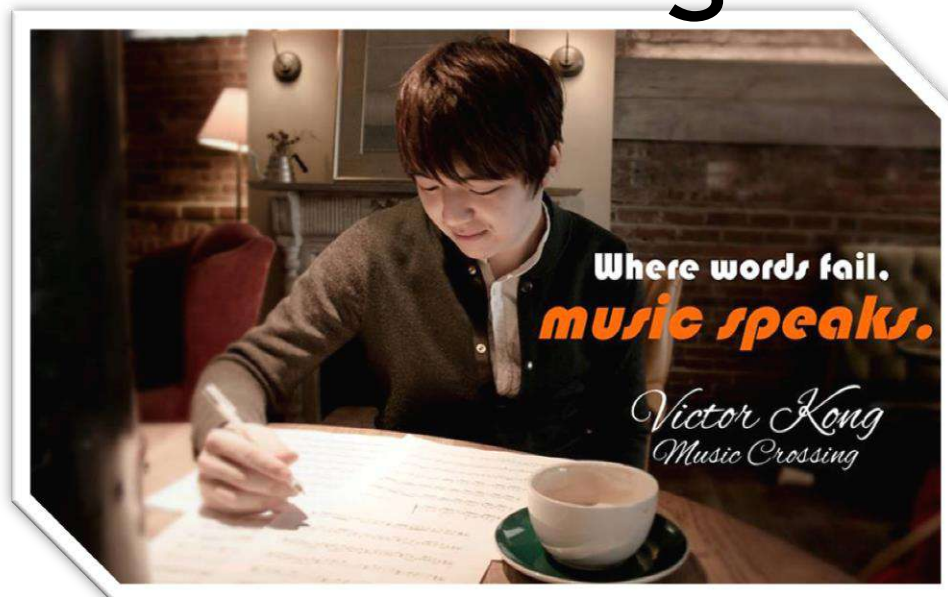
Music/Art. I knew I was going to pursue a creative career.

What did you like about LIS?

The small community where everyone knows everyone.

How has LIS influenced you in terms of what you are doing and where you are today?

LIS has definitely made me a better leader today. As a school prefect and house captain, I was constantly



challenged to reach out and not to avoid situations when I felt vulnerable.

Why did you choose the path you are currently following?

Since my childhood, I have been attracted to the beauty of Art. All kinds of Art. It is much more than a passion for me. It is a natural need to imagine, create. I especially like the film music as I can design music rhythmically and texturally to fit the story.

For juniors who will be graduating and looking for further education pathways, what is your advice?

School is the time to explore and discover your passion. It's never too late to learn about yourself. I believe that finding your passion on your own is

one of the most rewarding things in life. It will be your source of motivation in life.

What is your dream?

My dream is to eventually go back to Malaysia and bring my skill as a film composer and contribute to the film industry in Malaysia, which I believe is growing.

About Victor Kong

Years in LIS: 2007-2010

Studied Film Scoring/Composition at Berkley College of Music

Lives in: Boston, Massachusetts



BE AN INSPIRATION TO OTHERS!

Are you an alumna with a tale to tell or advice to give? Write in to admin@lis.edu.my with your full name, batch of study and cohort, and send us your stories with some pictures. We'd love to hear all about your experience and share it with others!

Look out for more info on our **Labuan International School Official** Facebook for upcoming activities.

Have something to share? Write your stories with some good photos to the newsletter committee at admin@lis.edu.my!