

Bond with SDGs

by Felicia Yen, International Education Assistant

Saving the world used to be just a slogan, or even a conspiracy of the government. It is urgent to keep working with sustainable development goals, the latest strategy to help better the world.

Through the combination of school subjects and global issues, more and more teachers are growing and learning with students. Rather than shout out loud, it is more valuable to take action and persistently work on the right thing.

Together we are stronger, and we will be better.



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My HWIS!

by Dorothea Chou, Grade 12

I used to study in a public junior high school until the end of 8th grade. I struggled with the traditional Taiwanese curriculum. I literally failed every single subject. Luckily, Hong Wen International School was established.

Here at HWIS, I realized that learning can happen without tears and suffering. I was able to balance between rigorous work and my precious free time. Teachers encouraged me to express more of my ideas and be courageous to raise questions during class. "Always be curious!" they would say. HWIS was a different world. My grades improved tremendously as a result, I flourished.

I started to have more confidence, I became more outgoing, and I discovered who I am with the support of all my friends and teachers. With this aura of confidence, I successfully conquered APs, SAT, and IELTS. Armed with these results, I gained admission into the University of Sydney, QS World ranking 38 and the University of Melbourne, QS World ranking 37!

Without HWIS, the support of my parents and friends, I am sure that I would not have reached these heights. The teachers here are gentle and patient, and best of all, they are

all very down to earth. They are willing to be students' friends and give us the best opportunity to succeed!

Everyone is delighted and proud of me. However, I am particularly proud of my school HWIS. I really appreciate what HWIS has done for me. After all, there is no Dora without HWIS.



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by Ching Lin
Academic Coordinator

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As a citizen of the world and growing up in a family that works building relationships between Taiwan, Central America and Caribbean countries I know what it's like to be in more schools than meals I eat in a day. I grew up between planes and a fatiguing number of homes. I've had the opportunity to study in all-Spanish, Bilingual, and All-American schools, and I can assuredly claim that none offer the holistic and personalized support that HWIS is offering students.

Unconditional support, in the likes of the support that a parent shows their child, is how I have grown to see the philosophy of HWIS. When new students join our family here at HWIS, they are immediately invited to hold personalized meetings with our Director, and our Student Counselor with the sole purpose of identifying and designing an academic plan that caters to the students' interests and strengths. HWIS offers and allocates a growing number of elective courses, including challenging Advanced Placement (AP) classes, to further nurture the curious minds of the students at HWIS. This effort is not short-lived, however. Students inevitably change as they grow, and so may their interests and directions in life. HWIS takes this possibility to heart and proactively adapts in the direction that our students decide to take. At HWIS, students continue to hold meetings throughout their entire academic life with us, actively discussing their progression and the evolution of their interests and plans for the future. In more than one way, not one student graduates from HWIS with the same schedule. Adding to this, students are offered a myriad of flexible club selections to further strengthen their interests both in academic and life skills

Now, as part of the administration team at HWIS, I have had the opportunity to experience and learn of what goes behind the planning and decision-making that we have for our students. During this time, I have grown to learn that, much like parents, there is little that HWIS is not willing to do in the way of offering support to foster our students' intellectual and personal development. Over and above the growing number of electives and APs that HWIS is opening to our students, new clubs including Super-Curricular activities, student-led projects, and more, HWIS continues to surprise me with the breadth of opportunities and support that are available to our students. 🌟



At HWIS, Sports is Life



Sports are a big part of students' life at HWIS. We have PE classes and sports activities almost every day for students to participate and practice their skills in various sports. We also hold quite a bit of sports related activities to strengthen the physical and mental health of our students.

We had our first Interhouse Sports Day for this semester on Feb 25th, 2022. This has been a long awaited activity since the last one we had. Due to COVID Protocol, we weren't able to go anywhere or hold any activities for a long while. Therefore, the students were all very excited. With full support of Tanzi Sports Center, the event went really well and the students indeed put a lot of effort and energy into the matches. In the morning we had badminton, table tennis, and indoor soccer matches. In the afternoon, we had volleyball and basketball tournaments. We have seen great talents and passion towards various sports from the students. Looking forward to the next one in June!

The school has started the 2-year building project for our own stadium and officially started the construction on 2/25. This building will provide more than 100 extra vehicle and scooter parking spaces, as well as an indoor multi-functional court, a stage, and more. With a total area of over 7,700 square feet, we look forward to the day of completion of the construction.



The basketball team for this year is perhaps the tallest group when it comes to height that we have ever had since it was organized. With the addition of the new G10 players, the basketball team really brought in a lot of energy and excitement to the school. They talk about basketball during the breaks, watch NBA together at lunch time, and catch every moment to go to the courts to play. We have dedicated all the PE classes for developing the varsity team and thus give the players more time to get familiar with various drills and tactics as well as more practice games. We hope they can bring some trophies for HWIS in the near future! 🏆



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by Johnson Su
Student Affairs and Events Coordinator

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