

A Day in the Life: Junior High School at HWIS



By Gina Huang, Grade 9

Starting the day bright and early at 7:30 AM, the halls of HWIS come alive with the chatter of students eager to reunite with their friends. For me, greeting friends and sharing hugs and laughter is a daily ritual before diving into classes.

My favorite classes are speaking and psychology. These classes stand out not only for their engaging content but also for the innovative teaching methods employed by dedicated teachers. In speaking class, weekly speeches boost confidence and fluency, while psychology lessons incorporate interactive games that blend learning with fun.

Ten-minute breaks between classes offer precious moments to unwind and connect with friends, while lunchtime is a highlight, offering a chance to refuel and catch up at the bustling student store. Despite her aversion to PE, the day concludes with a mandatory session, a reminder of the importance of staying active.

Reflecting on my junior high school journey, I cherish the memories made and the bonds formed within the walls of HWIS. Despite the ups and downs, I find myself eager to relive the adventure again and again. 🌟



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HWIS MUN Club Shines at PASMUN 2024 Conference

By Iris Yeh, Grade 10

Over the weekend, HWIS MUN club members traveled to Hsinchu to attend PASMUN 2024, a Model United Nations (MUN) conference hosted by Pacific American School. Despite it being the very first conference for most of our members, they managed to step up to the podium, overcome their fears, deliver constructive speeches, and ask meaningful questions.

Personally, it was an immense honor to serve as the deputy chair of the Economic and Social Council at PASMUN 2024. At the outset, nerves ran high as I grappled to find my footing, but as the conference progressed, I found myself growing more confident in my role. Reflecting on the experience, I realized the invaluable lessons learned throughout the conference.

The part of the trip after the conference was inspiring as well. I am usually an introverted person. But uncharacteristically, I managed to engage in intriguing conversations, as well as relaxing ones, which indeed made me feel more complete. It was nice to meet new people and catch up with old friends. After all, MUN is not just about academic debates; it's about bridging connections between people.

I want to express my gratitude to everyone who made this conference possible, especially my head chair and co-chair, Nicole and Johnson, who worked alongside me, assisting in times of need. Special thanks to Nicole, who kept me company before, during, and after the debates. Lastly, thank you PASMUN 2024 for providing me with such a wonderful experience. It truly was my favorite weekend of the year. The memories from past MUN conferences were gratifying, and now it's time to create new ones! 🌟

Student Officers



Classroom without walls



By Dustin James Hung Cruz, Grade 9

On March 6th and 7th, students from HWIS embarked on an exhilarating journey filled with adventure and exploration. The two-day field trip promised a wealth of enriching experiences for all participants.

The first leg of the trip brought the students to the Blue Magpie Resort, where they immersed themselves in camping activities amidst the serene outdoors. The thrill of tree climbing added an extra dose of excitement as students conquered heights and embraced the natural beauty surrounding them.

Continuing their adventure the next day, students visited Hsinchu Park Zoo, where they marveled at a diverse array of wildlife species up close. From majestic black bears to playful monkeys, the zoo provided a captivating glimpse into the wonders of the animal kingdom, sparking curiosity and fascination among the students.

The excursion culminated with a visit to Hsinchu Big City, a bustling mall brimming with vibrant energy. Here, students indulged in shopping, dining, and entertainment, forging lasting memories with friends both old and new.



Overall, the HWIS field trip was a resounding success, offering students opportunities for learning and unforgettable experiences. As they returned home, they carried with them a treasure trove of newfound memories and adventures to cherish for years to come. ☺



My College Journey



By Miriam Chang, Grade 12

August crept up on me quickly after my summer flew by. This was it. It was time for me to begin my college applications. I had written down all my ideas for my statement over the past four years, but as I sat in front of the computer, I didn't like any of them.



Drafting and editing the statement was a tedious, nuanced process. Each phrase, metaphor, and comparison was vital to expressing who I am, reduced to 650 words. While working on the statement, I also had to create my CV, answer college questions, and keep up my grades. It was hard to keep everything in shipshape. The journey was long. I started the year nervous and excited to see where I would be for the next four years, but as time passed, I soon forgot about the decisions. Once each decision letter came back, I was met with surprise, disappointment, and relief, but once the journey was finally over, I realized I had new worries about college, social life, academics, etc. Therefore, the journey never really ends. But, it depends on what I make of it.

To all the upcoming high schoolers who will apply to colleges, you will be okay. The process may be overwhelming, stressful, and never-ending, but all the hours and tears you may have put into applying to college will pay off. I learned that dreams may not come true, but rejection can be redirection, instead of a dead-end. ☺

