Greetings parents, guardians, caregivers and students,

There is no doubting that MIEC has had another busy term to start 2018. During this term MIEC students had the opportunity to complete our wonderful learn to swim program. The program provided our students with an invaluable opportunity to learn about water safety and prepare for the full range of Australian summer water activities.

MIEC students also had the opportunity to experience the fantastic Harmony Day celebrations at Beverly Hills IEC where they celebrated the cultural diversity of Sydney and Australia more widely. Furthermore we can’t forget MIEC’s excursion to the Art Gallery of NSW and the Sydney Biennale on Cockatoo Island. These extraordinary cultural experiences are truly adored by both staff and students. Finally, our level two and three students also had the pleasure of visiting Featherdale Wildlife Park where they got up close and personal with kangaroos, wombats and snakes.

Unfortunately the end of term signifies the time we say goodbye to our graduating students. It is with both pride and sadness that we say goodbye to 32 of our students this term. All have studied hard and are now ready to enter mainstream high school. The staff of MIEC would like to wish them all the best in their new schools and we look forward to having them visit us and tell us about their success.

To all our students and their families, we wish you a safe and joyous holiday.

Don’t forget, school recommences Tuesday 1 May, 2018.

Warm regards,
Paul Fitzgerald
FAREWELL AND CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LEAVING STUDENTS!

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**PLEASE NOTE:**

Excursions are for young people aged 12 to 24 years.

**TO BOOK:**

- 3:00 - 4:30 pm
  - Free (limited spaces)
  - Movie day

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| School Holiday Program

**APRIL 2018**

**MARRICKVILLE YOUTH RESOURCE CENTRE**
CONVENIENT LOCATIONS
Tutoring is located at Marrickville IEC

PROFESSIONAL TUTORS
All tutors are certified and trained DE teachers with years of teaching experience.

MARRICKVILLE INTENSIVE ENGLISH CENTRE
TUITION CENTRE
Preparing our students for the future

INDIVIDUAL SMALL GROUP PROGRAMS
PREPARATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL
Dear MIEC family,
These students are our MIEC Student Representative Council (SRC) members for Term 1, 2018. The SRC works together to make MIEC a welcoming and inclusive community for all students, parents and teachers.

Name: Jason Yan  
Country: China  
Hobbies: Basketball  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Be happy!

Name: Jimmy Huang  
Country: China  
Hobbies: Reading books  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Study hard

Name: Denzel Lu  
Country: China  
Hobbies: Listen to music  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Make many good friends and keep happy

Name: Vy Huynh  
Country: Vietnam  
Hobbies: Reading, sleeping, listening to music  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Take it easy

Name: Mohammed Tekin  
Country: Turkey  
Hobbies: Playing badminton, following technology  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Relate, more practice. Difficulties are signs of victory. Don’t give up!
Name: Aisha Moiz  
Country: India  
Hobbies: Basketball, doing art and writing  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? I would tell them always speak in English always and if you are bored, they can go to library and read.

Name: Yu Chen  
Country: China  
Hobbies: Playing football  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Learn and learn.

Name: Jasleeyn Xu  
Country: China  
Hobbies: Listening to music  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Maybe practice English, speaking is very important.

Name: Louise Cui  
Country: China  
Hobbies: Play music, photography, reading, drawing, travelling  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Try to speak English more, and stay active.

Name: Abdullah Tekin  
Country: Turkey  
Hobbies: Sport, study, learn  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Study and don’t be scared.

Name: Vu Thanh Binh  
Country: Vietnam  
Hobbies: Sports, games, learning  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Keep going forward!

Name: Sand Nguyen  
Country: Vietnam  
Hobbies: Soccer  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Don’t worry just think everything is normal.

Name: Charles White  
Country: Venezuela  
Hobbies: Playing video games  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? I tell them that they will learn English very easy.

Name: Justin Sripitak  
Country: Thailand  
Hobbies: Play games  
What advice will you give to new students at MIEC? Be good.
Swim School

MIEC students participated in the School Swim Scheme at Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre. Many students were nervous at the beginning of the lessons, but they swallowed their fear and enthusiastically participated in all the activities and games. By the end of their lessons, students were doing things they have never done before; some swimming 25 metres, some swimming backstroke and others diving.
2A Jumanji Excursion

To Events Cinema
Jumanji 2
Written by Abdullah Tekin and Johnny Liang, 2A

Jumanji 2 is directed by Jake Kasdan. Jumanji 2 is a comedy and action movie. The movies is about four high school kids discovering an old video game console and drawn into the games jungle setting and literally becoming the adult avatars they chose.

The main characters of Jumanji are Bethany, Anthony, Martha and Spencer. Its setting is in America, then in the jungle. It is in 2017. A boy found the Jumanji board game and the boy brings it to his friends. His friend said that the game is silly and he played another game. At midnight a sound came from the Jumanji box. Brummm-tum-tum. Then the boy wakes up and he looks at the box then he found a computer game of Jumanji. He opened it and he arrives into the game.

After twenty years some high school students get detention. The teacher says ‘you have to clean this room.’ They find the Jumanji game then they start playing the game. Each of them chose a player. They all taken into the game. They only have three lives in the game. Spencer is a fair boy. Anthony is a bully boy and he is very strong. Bethany is a girl who love mobile phones and Martha is a girl, she looks like Spencer, a fair girl. A man who has the green diamond which is magic and the man can control the animals. They have to put the diamond into the tiger’s eyes. They found other player and the man who control the animals try to kill them and get the diamond back.

We think this movie is pretty good and very funny. It tells us sometimes we must face the trouble and fix it with your friends. We should trust friends. It also teaches us external appearance can delude the people. We rate this movie 4.5 out of 5 because it has interesting plot and good coda. It’s also good for teenagers.
Harmony Day
Excursion on Tuesday  
Written by Eileen Hong, 3B

On Tuesday, we went to Beverly Hills Intensive English Centre for 40 years birthday party. It was a special experience at the IEC. That day had lots of different Intensive English Centre or high school students from the other places.

Our Marrickville Intensive English Centre just two classes went there to celebrate the special day. When we got there, I saw a lot of students wearing different uniforms. The teacher told us we have a ‘passport’ to finish our task. There are some special tasks in different classrooms at this school. When we finish it we can go to the library to check or maybe we can won the prize. I took the passport and play some games with Selina. We meet a lot of interesting classmates and have a delicious hot dog. I remember there was a game really funny. When the teacher gave you a number, you remember it and focus on your opponent the same as your number. When the teacher put a ball on the middle line and then say a number of the group. Then two groups of the same number’s people go to pick up the ball. But they can’t pick the ball that be touch the other’s body. It was different but funny.

In a word, I hope I can attend the excursion next time. That’s really cool and interesting.
Level 3 Science Excursion

On Wednesday, Level 3 went to Sydney Observatory. When we arrived at Circular Quay, teachers gave us a thirty minutes rest to eat some food. We took many photos during that time.

Then we went to the Sydney Observatory. We waited for the guides for a short time and went into the Observatory. First, we looked at the 3D model of our solar system and the planets in the solar system by using an iPad and a box. Also, we have watched the presentation about the space. After that, we went to see the real model of the solar system made from metal. We went back to see the simulation sky in a special room. It had a special top like an umbrella. We saw the night sky at different night. The planets we can see by our eyes and the constellations. Everyone was surprised about the night sky and the stars. We tried to find our own constellation. Finally, we watched the national flag on a bridge using a telescope. We played on the grass for a short time, we ran, sang and laughed.

Because of the bad weather, we felt a little bored during that day, but the way to the observatory and the way back is the most interesting part.
To Sydney Observatory
The Journey to Sydney Observatory
Written By Felicity, 2A

Yesterday we went to Circular Quay to see a big telescope. When we went to the museum, we saw a lot of interesting things. For example, first we walk in the tent and saw it was very excited. The teacher tells us many things about solar system. The teacher said to us ‘in the night at eight o’clock, we will see three stars very close from the south’. Also the teacher said people always imagine the stars and what it looks like. Another thing the teacher said is that it is very beautiful, the stars are shining in the sky.

After we finish, we sit in the tent and looked at the solar system. The teacher took us to upstairs to use the telescope to see the sun. When the teacher told us to use the telescope to see the sun, I only can saw is red, big circle. When the teacher told everyone to see, some of them just saw a big red circle and some of them see something different. When we finish, the teacher told us to get a box that have pictures on the front, back, right and left side. Also the teacher gave us an iPad to help us see many different kinds of planets in the solar system. The teacher took us outside and do activities, we learn many things in the solar system. It told us how many distance is between the planets in the solar system and it will learn many things I don’t know in the distance.

When we finished looking at the museum, the teacher lead us to recess a few minutes, I took a lot of beautiful pictures and take photos of the blue skies and clean white clouds. When the recess was finished, I look up at the trees and I saw a beautiful and cute bird on the tree. I really like this bird so I took a photo of it.

The journey of Circular Quay was very fun and interesting and we learned many things. It was a good excursion.
On Tuesday, MIEC teachers took the level 3 students on an excursion to Art Gallery of New South Wales to see the Art Express.

We had a fun day walking around the gallery looking at famous artworks by artists around the world. We went downstairs to look at artworks from Asia, Europe and Australia. It was very interesting.

Finally we went to see Art Express. It is artworks from high school students. Their artwork are amazing.

We had lunch at the park across the gallery. We talked, laughed, ate and listened to music.

We enjoyed the excursion and had a wonderful day.

Written by Level 3 students
This term all new students were welcomed to MIEC with a delicious Yum Cha lunch at the local Chinese restaurant. Students got to eat various Chinese food, mingle with other new students and enjoy a relaxing lunch with their new friends.
Should we recycle?
Thanh-2C H SIE

Nowadays, our beautiful environment is being polluted badly by many causes. Land and water pollution is the most serious problems in the world today. These problems can be solved in many ways, but in my opinion, recycling is the most effective way. There are many reasons why all of us recycle.

The first reason is recycling is a great way to reduce land and water pollution. Our beautiful land is being filled with rubbish and we call it landfill, which is very bad for the environment. If we recycle, less rubbish will be produced, re recyclable rubbish can be used to make new things, that means landfills will be reduced. Recycling also reduces rubbish in waterways. Today, many companies do not treat the rubbish carefully and they just dump the rubbish into lakes, rivers and even oceans. Rubbish will pollute the water and many aquatic animals will be dead. Our water sources will be polluted, people will get diseases because of drinking unclean water. If we recycle, aquatic animals and people will have a better life because the waterways will be cleaner and our drinking water will be safer. And instead of littering on the streets, people can throw good rubbish in recycling bins and it will be recycled. It makes the streets look cleaner and more attractive to tourists.

Another reason why we should recycle is that recycling reduces cost of energy and it uses less electricity. You should know that the process of making things from normal materials uses more electricity than making things from recyclable rubbish. And some machines use petrol to run, such as trucks that take rubbish to landfills. So if we recycle, we can save lots of energy. Our environment will be cleaner because the power stations will have to produce less electricity. Products will also cost less because the good rubbish is much cheaper than new materials.

A further reason is recycling saves many resources. Trees, sand, oil and other resources are being used to make products. It is very bad for the environment. Trees make the air cleaner, If we don’t have trees, the air will be polluted. Sand and oil will run out if we continue using them to make products. Instead of that, we can use recyclable rubbish to make new things, they will have the same quality as the products which are made using the old ways. Fewer trees will be cut down, less and oil will be taken away, our environment will cleaner and beautiful. For example, if we use sand to make new glass bottles or jars, there will be less sand on our beaches, but if we use recyclable glass, we will not have to take sand from beaches, so we can save the environment.

Recycling also creates more jobs. Instead of just filling the land with rubbish, people can go around collecting good rubbish, controlling recycling machines to earn money. It will also help improve the economy of the country.

We can form a group of people and go collect good rubbish on the streets, so that we can make a better community spirit and we can also learn how to work in a team.
WE SHOULD HAVE CLEAN AIR
Written by Helen Zhen

I strongly believe that we should stop air pollution and have clean air. Polluted air harms our health, harms the environment, and it inhabit our lifestyle.

Firstly, we should have clean air, because polluted air harms our health, especially children's. Air pollution is a major factor in the deaths of 600,000 children annually! Children's lungs would grow much slower breathing polluted air, although according to the UN children's agency, almost one in seven children suffer due to highly air pollution! That's hard to hear! Adults are suffering as well, more than 90 percent of human are breathing polluted air. It can cause respiratory diseases such as bronchitis, it will damage our immune system and increase the potential of getting heart problems, and the worst could be lung cancer. We need clean air to keep people healthy! It's really really important!

Not only human are suffering, so is the environment. The most serious and "popular" air pollution problem could be too much carbon dioxide, because it causes global warming. At the same time, soil erosion and water pollution caused by air pollution are also very serious. The pollutants in the air makes acid rain and other harmful substances, which can damage the land and water seriously. Animals lost their homes, plants are dying. if this situation won't stop, we could be the next. As the matter of fact, people are already struggling in this situation. You don't want to see people lose their job, live on the street and starve, right?

Last but not least, air pollution can inhabit our lifestyle in so many ways. For instance, schools are closed because the government needs to keep children indoor to avoid them breathing in more polluted air; jobs that couldn't last because the land is damaged by air pollution, such as farming; traffic problems increasing because of the smog caused by polluted air had reduced the visibility; no one wants to go out to exercise. This needs to be stopped!

Health problems, environment issues, affected lifestyle, the world is changing in a bad way. Al these things are trying to ring a bell, to tell us, we should have clean air and we need to do something to get it!
We should live in Australia
Written By Melody Ouyang,,3C

I strongly advise everyone to live in Australia where is an ancient and interesting land. It has great and diverse climate and interesting variety of flora and fauna. It’s such a wonderful country that everyone should live in there. Here is some detailed information.

First, Australia is very old but interesting. The origins of Australia can be explained by continental drift. Over 200 million years ago, Australia once was a part of a super-continent which is called Gondwana. About 40 million years later, Australia separated from other lands and drifted along to be a single land. Particularly, Australia is the single country in this single island. This old land gave birth to lots of interesting culture. For example, the aboriginal created didgeridoo which is a simple wooden tube blown with the lips like a trumpet. The aboriginal music still be sung today. It’s a pity if you refuse to experience their amazing history.

Australia also has different various flora and fauna. In fact, 80 percent of Australia plant species are endemic. Besides, the animals like kangaroo, koala and Tasmania tiger can’t be found in other country naturally. Since the land drifted a long time ago, there are a lot of rain forest which should not be in Australia now in Queensland. Somebody may consider other country are more beautiful than Australia, but Australia must be the one of a kind. Would you like to be the one of a kind?

Moreover, Australia has variety of climate and each one is great. You can experience almost all climate in Australia. For insane, if you like driving in the dessert or riding camels, west Australia can satisfy you. If you enjoy sunbathe and swimming in the beach, welcome to Queensland. The Golden Coast is one of the most famous beach in the world. In addition, if you are delighted to play with snow and build a snowman, you could go to Victoria to have fun in a grey and white world. We are all love nature very much, so why not live in Australia?

In conclusion, Australia is full of historical culture and wonderful environment including life and weather. Would you make you feel sad to miss abundant unique perfect country? Let’s live in Australia.
Happy Holiday!

MIEC wishes you a

Term 2 starts on Tuesday 1st May 2018

Have a safe and happy holiday!