



CLTAQ News Letter TERM 3, 2015

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QCCC Brookfield QUT Chinese Language and Culture Camp

By Fei Xue

From Monday 21st to Wednesday 23rd September 2015 fifty-two students from the three Queensland Academies, Centenary Heights SHS, Centenary SHS, Macgregor SHS, St. Laurence College participated in a three day immersion camp, which was subsidised and supported by the Confucius Institute at the Queensland University of Technology (CIQ).

The program featured an intensive Chinese language and culture educational program jointly presented by lecturers from the CIQ and teachers from the Queensland Academies. The topics included: The Individual and Health, Food and Drink, Shopping, Education, Cool Mandarin and ICT, Chinese Dance, Chinese Calligraphy and Painting, Taichi & Kungfu, Modern Chinese music (singing) and movie appreciation.

This camp provided an opportunity for the students to intensively engage with Chinese language and culture, especially for the students who seek to enhance their skills and knowledge in Mandarin in order to progress faster in their study of Mandarin and Chinese culture. Please see some photos and the reflections from some students:



Overall, we found this Chinese camp a very rewarding experience. Not only did we improve our Mandarin, but we also had the opportunity to broaden our knowledge and understanding of Chinese culture.

In the mornings we had two theory lessons. In these lessons we were able to expand our Chinese vocabulary through learning words which would be helpful to us, should we ever visit China. It also provided us opportunities to revise vocabulary which we had previously learnt. Furthermore, we were able to focus more on the speaking aspect of Mandarin, which we do not cover as much in school. Throughout the day, teachers and supervisors provided us with challenges comprising levels ranging from easy to difficult, which allowed us to engage in fun teamwork activities. Through this we were also given opportunities to socialize with people from other schools and year levels. We especially enjoyed watching the movie as it allowed us to gain insight into the school life of Chinese students.



We gained further knowledge in the traditional aspect of Chinese culture through activities such as Calligraphy, Tai Chi, Chinese traditional ribbon dance, etc. For example, in the Chinese ribbon dance, there is an emphasis on the agricultural aspect of Chinese culture. The movements of the dance symbolized various actions which farmers use to sow the seeds on their farms.

In conclusion, everyone enjoyed the camp. If we were given an opportunity to come to this camp again, we would say yes in a heartbeat.

Julie, Natasha, Rochelle, Chantelle, Selina from QASMT



Macgregor Primary School LOTE Week

By Mrs. Xiaoling North

Macgregor Primary School had its annual LOTE Week in week 2 in Term 3. Please see some photos and a reflection from a student:

LOTE week was a week full of opportunities to understand Chinese culture through activities such as calligraphy, chess, ping pong and movies as well as exciting challenges like testing your skill with chopsticks or making amazing 3D origami ornaments. The Origami was challenging, yet simple with clear instructions, resulting in a magnificent piece of artwork. Calligraphy was great fun, where each elegant stroke helped to develop a simple but vivid picture. The Chinese movies enhanced students' Chinese vocabulary, whilst we all enjoyed the general content of the movie. I had so much fun I wish I could have done more activities and done it for longer.

Matthew – 6E





Please bookmark the CLTAQ website to keep yourself up to date with the latest news and events this year. Don't forget if you have not yet paid your registration for CLTAQ 2015, this can be done by cheque or online payment by contacting Yu Li Pan ypan2@eq.edu.au.

The registration fee for 2015 is still \$30.

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Great thanks to the following teachers:

Mrs. Xiaoling North from MacGregor State School

Mrs. Joanne Cheng from QAHS

Mr. Meng-Yin Leong and Mr. Matthew Overland from QASMT



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YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN/RENEW YOUR 2015 CLTAQ (Inc) MEMBERSHIP

The aims of CLTAQ are:

- To promote the teaching and study of the Chinese language in the Queensland schools and community;
- To undertake activities designed to extend the knowledge of members on all aspects of the Chinese language and teaching methodologies;
- To organise appropriate activities for students of the Chinese language;
- To edit and publish or arrange for the editing and publication of materials to assist members and students of Chinese;
- To raise funds by subscription, donations and grants from the Government and the Chinese Language Teachers' Association of Queensland (Inc) (CLTAQ).

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