

# CLTAQ Term 2 Newsletter 2014

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## CLTAQ Speech Competition

The CLTAQ in collaboration with The Confucius Institute, QUT held the Annual Speech Competition in Brisbane on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May at QUT, Kelvin Grove Campus. The event was a great success with over 200 students from 41 schools across Queensland attending this event.

Thank you to all of the teachers and students who participated to make this a successful event; special thanks also to Hui Richards for organizing this wonderful occasion. Winners of the competition are listed on the final pages of this newsletter.



## Queensland Academy for Health Sciences (QAHS) Student Selected to participate in 2014 Shanghai International Sister Cities Youth Camp Program

By Ariel Tseng, Chinese teacher at Queensland Academy for Health Sciences

Queensland and Shanghai became Sister States in 1989. This year Shanghai is celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the relationship and has invited six Year 11 students from Queensland to participate in the 2014 Shanghai International



Sister Cities Youth Camp Program between 16-29 July. One of which is our very own, Year 11 student Kemi Omomo. Kemi has studied Mandarin for one year at QAHS. In this short time she has become interested in Mandarin and Chinese culture. Kemi exemplifies the International Baccalaureate Learner Profile upheld at QA by being a caring, open-minded and risk-taking individual.

Therefore, we believe that Kemi will proudly represent Queensland in this wonderful opportunity. We wish her a safe and fantastic experience when she departs for China at the end of this term.

## Dragon Boat Festival at TSS

By Doreen Ng-Yap  
The Southport School

As part of our language and culture study in primary LOTE, we participated in the Chinese Festival, Duan Wu Jie 端午节, better known as Dragon Boat Festival in Australia on 2 June, 2014. This is one of the most significant festivals in Chinese history and recognized worldwide in rowing. We did origami, paper boat making, watched a dragon boat race and learnt the vocabulary associated with this festival and the story about Qu Yuan's death and his commemoration. Through the festival, students were made aware of Chinese culture and beliefs. Students also savoured the delicious zongzi 粽子, rice dumplings. This day was thoroughly enjoyed by all and enriched students learning and appreciation of this important Chinese festival.



## Making Chinese Opera Mask

By Josephine Chu of St Aidan's Anglican Girls School

A great activity to finish up the term/semester is to make a Chinese Opera Mask. Here is a brief lesson on some of the famous stories that are performed through Chinese Opera and how color schemes are represented. Students can be then given the opportunity to Google search their favorite mask and design their own. This is good for future role plays and classroom activities.



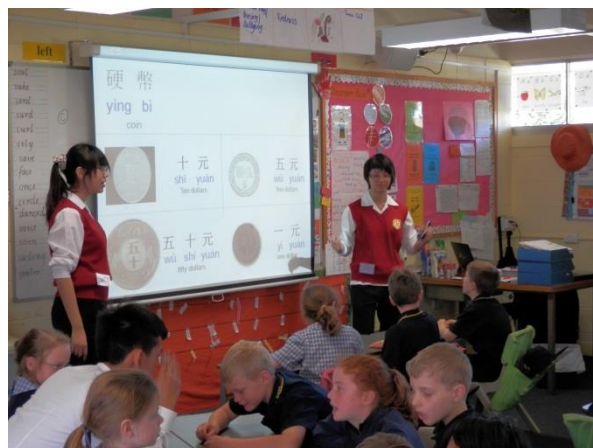
## Sister School at Middle Ridge State School

By Dan Wu, Chinese Teacher

During the last three years, my school (Middle Ridge State School in Toowoomba) has organised groups of students from Taiwan Kaohsiung Girls' Senior High School to visit us. They conducted language and culture activities with all my Chinese learning students and brought great joy to them. They now feel their Chinese learning has a real purpose.

With the help of their visit as well as their very helpful teacher Sylvia Li, our school had signed up a sister-school agreement with Lingjhou Elementary School, (a cluster primary school of Kaohsiung Girls' High) last year when my principal and I visited Taiwan. This year both students from Kaohsiung Girls' High and Lingjhou Elementary School will visit my school during 14 – 22 August, 2014.

Principal Ms 黃秀霞 (Huang Shiou-Shia ) from Kaohsiung Girls' High will also come this year. She would love to meet up with teachers teaching Chinese-Taiwanese, especially those who are past students or associated with Taiwan Kaohsiung Girls' Senior High School. Please let me know if you are one or know someone who is.





# Chinese Cultural Activity Day at Brisbane School of Distance Education

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of June, BSDE Chinese teachers organised a Chinese Cultural Activity Day for students in Year 6 to Year 9. Students who reside in Brisbane and on the Gold Coast were invited to participate.

It was a wonderful opportunity for both the teachers and students to meet face to face. The students participated in various activities, including:

- *Self-introduction in Chinese*
- *Learning about Chinese food*
- *Techniques on using chopsticks*
- *Making Chinese bookmarks*
- *Playing with Chinese yo-yos and doing bamboo dancing*
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Everyone enjoyed trying some Chinese snacks and tea for morning tea. We all agreed that the delicious Chinese lunch was the highlight of the day! We are very pleased to receive a lot of positive feedback from our students.



Feedback from the participating students included:

*“Chinese Cultural Day is very good. My sister and my little sister both loved it. Thank you.”*

*“I enjoyed the bamboo dance activity. It was fun!”*

*“Chinese Cultural Day is excellent and the Chinese lunch was very good.”*

The students and their parents all agreed that it would be worthwhile to hold the Cultural Activity Day again sometime in the future.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and students for making the effort to come to the cultural day at BSDE. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you again very soon. A special Xie Xie (“thank you” in Chinese) must also go to all Chinese teachers who organised this very successful and meaningful event for Chinese students.

Evelyn Chen  
Teacher of Chinese  
Brisbane School of Distance Education

## Winners of the CLTAQ Speech Competition 2014

First Name	Last Name	School	Year Level	Section	Prize	Category
Laura	Key	Torquay State School	5	D	1st	Second Language Speaker
Genenieve Rose	Tavoularis	Clayfield College	6	D	2nd	Second Language Speaker
Ben	Quick	The Lakes College	6	D	3rd	Second Language Speaker
Georgia	Dobsa	Heights College	5	D	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Lily	Brennan	The Lakes College	5	D	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Ethan	Shay	The Lakes College	5	D	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Roberta	George	Calamvale Community College	6	D	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Eleanor	Broadhurst	Clayfield College	6	D	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Ethan	McDougall	Mango Hill State School	6	D	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Omid	Hoseini	MacGregor Primary School	6	H	1st	Background Speaker
Helen	Wang	Robertson State School	5	H	2nd	Background Speaker
Ashley	Wong	Robertson State School	6	H	3rd	Background Speaker
Jessica	Barnes	The Lakes College	5	H	Merit	Background Speaker
Shahroze	Ali	Indooroopilly State High School	8	C	1st	Second Language Speaker
Renata Frances	Hasell	Clayfield College	8	C	2nd	Second Language Speaker
Alijah	McDougall	Brisbane School of Distance Education	7	C	3rd	Second Language Speaker
Rayan	Bakker	Ooononba State School	7	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Harrison	Hooper	The Hall State School	7	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Corina	Mitin	Clayfield College	7	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Benjamin	Tubb	Torquay State School	7	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Maximilian	Castley-Wright	St. Andrew's Catholic College, Redlynch Valley	8	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Lexie	Elvin	Indooroopilly State High School	8	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Sabrea	Fites	Somerville House	8	C	Merit	Second Language

						Speaker
Drew	Shay	The Lakes College	8	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Fahim	Sultanbawa	Indooroopilly State High School	8	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Xiao Chen	Sun	MacGregor Primary School	7	G	1st	Background Speaker
Chris	Yao	Livingstone Christian College	8	G	2nd	Background Speaker
E-Yong	Lee	Robertson State School	7	G	3rd	Background Speaker
Eileen	Ho	MacGregor Primary School	7	G	Merit	Background Speaker
Denya	Hopkins	Urangan State High School	9	C	1st	Second Language Speaker
Jasmin	Lee	Queensland Academy for Health Sciences	10	B	2nd	Second Language Speaker
Akane	Irie	Kedron State High School	10	B	3rd	Second Language Speaker
Bethany	Conroy	St Benedict's College	9	B	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Harrison	Cusack	Marist College, Ashgrove	9	B	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Izzy	Lovisi	Indooroopilly State High School	9	B	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Tiffany	Hammas	Varsity College	10	B	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Eunju	Kim	Cairns State High School	10	B	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Taylor	Mackie	Urangan State High School	10	C	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Marielle	Mori	Trinity Bay State High School	10	B	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Francois	Pigerre	Indooroopilly State High School	10	B	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Amy	Zhou	Queensland Academy for Health Sciences	10	F	1st	Background Speaker
Rebecca	Jiang	Queensland Academy for Health Sciences	10	F	2nd	Background Speaker
Yu-Chun	Lai	Queensland Academies, Science, Mathematics and Technology	10	F	3rd	Background Speaker
Agnes	Lee	Indooroopilly State High School	10	F	Merit	Background Speaker
Jessica	Ren	Queensland Academies, Science, Mathematics and Technology	10	F	Merit	Background Speaker
Shahmir	Ali	Indooroopilly State High School	11	A	1st	Second Language Speaker
Rebecca	Porter	Indooroopilly State High School	12	A	2nd	Second Language Speaker

Anna	Michael	Indooroopilly State High School	11	A	3rd	Second Language Speaker
Christina	Donald	Brisbane School of Distance Education	11	A	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Martin	Krutak	Indooroopilly State High School	11	A	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Ashzweeta Kaur	Saindhu	Varsity College	11	A	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Joseph	Cho	Kedron State High School	12	A	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Taylor	Joppich	William Ross State High School	12	A	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Jeenie	Kim	Queensland Academy for Health Sciences	12	A	Merit	Second Language Speaker
Jackson	Huang	Queensland Academies, Science, Mathematics and Technology	12	E	1st	Background Speaker
Emily	Sun	Queensland Academies, Science, Mathematics and Technology	11	E	2nd	Background Speaker
Jessie	Tong	Queensland Academies, Science, Mathematics and Technology	11	E	3rd	Background Speaker
Alina	Zhao	Somerville House	12	G	Merit	Background Speaker

