COMING OF AGE 2016

Special Moments Issue 2

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After three days, the students are beginning to show leadership qualities. (2 June 2016)

(Right) Sean, being the new studentin-charge, is leading the morning exercise. (2 June 2016)

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"I particularly agree most on the lesson where we were taught that character comes before academics. This isn't the first time I've heard this though, my mom has been reminding me about this everyday, and I fully agree on it. I believe that we should prioritise our character before anything else because without a good character, you won't ever succeed in life, you won't get anywhere. Character is what paves the road to your future. Though success in academics helps, a good character and heart give a larger boost to a brighter future. And this is why I strongly believe and agree on this particular value/lesson." (1 June)

Olivia Alessandra Gee S2P NH

(Top and Left) Ryan and Shanney leading the morning Tai Chi lesson.(2 June 2016)

"I agree with all of the values because they are all good values. They all make sense. It also makes sure to prioritize building one's character before studying academics. This is good because in the modern time, academic studies are put first, not allowing people to properly build up their character. This results in things such as siblings fighting, being disrespectful towards parents, people saying many lies, people hating each other, lack of self-discipline, and even murders." (1

Jason Hardjadinata S21 NH





Students' personal understanding of Confucius values (1 - 3 Jun):

己所不欲,勿施于人。

"Do not ask others to do what you would not do." (Joycelyn Bahari S2P NH)

己所欲,施于人。

"To share with others. Things that we like, we might want to share with others who also like that thing." (Raymond Eagan Notokusumo Y8.02 SNA)

己所欲,勿施于人。

"You have to respect others because everyone have different cultures. You have to embrace and respect differences." (Shannon Devina Tandjung Y8.01 SNA)

己所不欲,施于人。

"What you don't like, others may like. Cooperating with others." (Shannon Devina Tandjung Y8.01 SNA)

子曰:"君子和而不同,小人同而不和。"

"Gentleman works together even with different opinions; selfish people does not speak up when they disagree." (Andhika Tirtawisata S21 NH)

"Say your opinion and respect others' decision. " (Jason Hardjadinata S21 NH)

子曰:"君子周而不比,小人比而不周。"

"Gentlemen will work in a team and will not compete against one another to win. Selfish people would not work as a team, not consider all the benefits." (Matthew Ryan Asali S2P NH)

"This statement is saying that a good person will always consider without comparing or judging." (William Djaja Tjoek S2I)



弟子规总叙 (Di Zi Gui Summary)

弟子规, 圣人训. (Dizi Gui, quotes from Confucius, the sage of sages, are instructions for children throughout the ages) 首孝弟,次谨信. (First, be dutiful to parents and fraternal to siblings, then be strict with yourself and honest towards others)

泛爱众,而亲仁. (Befriend everyone around you but stay close to those of virtues) 有余力,则学文. (If you've done these and have time to spare, search for knowledge)

Students' personal anecdotes of Di Zi Gui values (1-3 Jun):

孝 (filial to parents or grand parents)

"I respect my parents by listening to them so that they don't get too stress and I want to help them on anything." (Wesley Laurence S2P NH)

"Every time that my family finishes a meal together, whether lunch or dinner, we drink Yakult and I am always the one to get the Yakult pack from the refrigerator and distribute it to my parents and brothers." (Clairine Wantah S2P NH)

"Once, I cooked for my parents because they were at their anniversary, and then I treated them the whole day." (Raymond Eagan Notokusumo Y8.02 SNA)

<u>悌(caring towards siblings)</u>

"I don't have siblings. But I do help teach my younger neighbor when she doesn't understand her homework materials." (Olivia Alessandra Gee S2P NH)

"I share good things that I get with my sister" (Jason Hardjadinata S21 NH)

"Like I always let my brother and sister go first then me. And I try to get along with them because we always fight." (Samantha Olivia Grace Y8.01 SNA)











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Winning or losing is not as important as having fun. (2 June 2016)

"I hope to learn to become a more responsible person and to be more considerate person. I also hope to be more punctual and also to respect and appreciate my parents more and become a better son." (31 May)

Benedict Justin Sutedja S2P NH



Students' personal anecdotes of Di Zi Gui values (1-3 Jun):

谨 (strict with oneself)

"I try to break my bad habits. especially procrastination." (Shanney Suhendra S2P NH)

"We should have self-control. control our healthy diet and control our timings. we should be able to be strict to ourselves. we must know our limits, know when to study and when to play and when to rest." (Victoria Budiono S2I NH)

"Sitting up straight and restraining ourselves from eating snacks to stay healthy." (Aileen Liman Y8.02 SNA)





Students' personal understanding of Confucius values (1 - 3 Jun):

子曰:"益者三友: 友直, 友谅, 有多闻. 损者三友: 友便辟, 友善柔, 友便佞."

"Surround yourself with people who are kind, well informed and trustworthy people. try not to be friends with people who are flattery, backstabbers as well as people who talks and does not take action." (George Soekawan S2P NH)

"子曰:"三人行,必有我师焉。"

"Three people walk, one of them must be capable of becoming my teacher. (I can learn something from every one of the three people.)" (Jason Hardjadinata S2I NH)









Everyone strategising very hard to win the game. (3 Jun 2016)





"Teamwork, I agree with this value because as we do more activities throughout the trip I realise that teamwork is needed in all of these activities." (1 June)

George Soekawan S2P NH





Every night we have our debrief where we consolidate the day's learning and give a chance for sharing among students and teachers. Tonight, one of our topics is being homesick. Both Ms Ong and Mr Simon share about their homesick experience which make it safe for students who are feeling homesick to share their experiences too. Other students also suggest ways to nurse the experience of homesickness. After Ms Ong shared her experience, Joycelyn gave Ms Ong a hug. (3 June 2016)

"I agree with filial piety, to take care of your parents. This is because we need to love our parents and take care of them when we are older as they are our family and took care of us since we were young. We should also be a good example to our children in the future as they would learn from our actions too." (1 June)

Alicia Andy S2I NH



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"I agree with all the values that I've learnt starting with having a good relationship to your family. Your family are the ones who would help you anytime. the other values are that you have to have manners, be sincere to others and treat them how you want to be treated. The most important value that I've learnt is that you should not ask someone to do the things you won't want to do yourself because if you are put in their shoes, you won't like it as well." (1 June)

Phoebe Romangsuriat S2P NH















