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Year 10 Newsletter - 13 November 2015

Project Week, Guizhou 2015

What an amazing week we had in Guizhou. Having now been back a week, it allows one to reflect on what a profound and meaningful experience this week is for all our students. There were some fun moments, moving moments and challenging moments; all of which goes into making Project Week the most enjoyable week of the year. I would like to personally thank all the teachers and Insight staff for their hard work. The team's tireless effort really made the week a great success for our students.
Our students were amazing all week. On the service project, which was the focal point of our week, our kids shone. Their superb attitude and warm nature really made a difference at Na Wo school in Guiyang. The smiles on the local students faces was a sight to behold. We managed to paint a playground wall and decorate with beautiful murals, build a hand wash basin, render two large walls, clear two large areas of rubble, trees and dirt for a flower bed; and still found time to teach a morning of English lessons. Quite an amazing effort in a day and a half.

On the activities many students also showed great determination in the biking and hiking, some never having biked these significant distances before. The students were rewarded for their hard work with a relaxing hot springs morning at the end of a tiring week.
Overall it was a really enjoyable and successful week. I think many of the students learned new lessons and all have had meaningful experiences to cherish.
Many thanks to all parents also, for your kind support and in helping make the week a success.
Mr. J Dawson—Year Leader

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Student reflections on Project Week :

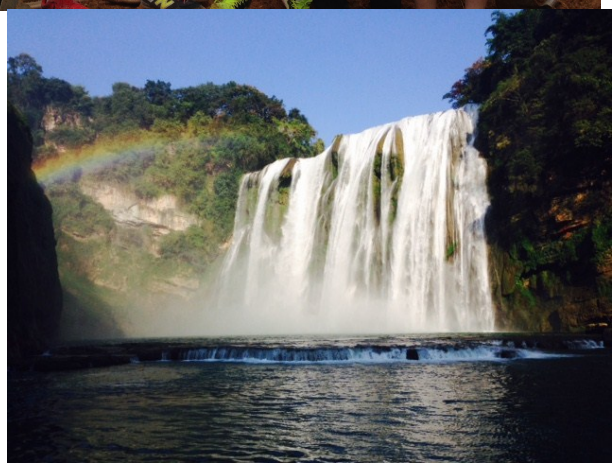
Hagar: This week has been the best week of the year. Starting from getting smiles from the young kids, helping them, playing with them and laughing with them. I also got to have a good experience of the Chinese food. Something that I usually wouldn't do. I learnt that I love it and enjoyed having different food than usual. There are so many more wonderful moments that I will never forget.
Lawrence: My most memorable memory was when a small school child handed me an origami heart. This was really touching as the children weren't very wealthy however were not afraid to share. From this we can all learn to be grateful and not selfish.
Luca: I've really enjoyed this Project week because I think that I've learned our lives in Shanghai aren't the same as most of the people here in this city. When I was helping the kids at the school I noticed that they were very happy because they saw us working hard so they could have what we have in their school. This has by far been my favorite Project week in the 6 years I've been here.

Chiara: Project weeks are always unforgettable but this one is even more special. Seeing the smiles of the kids made happy just by us really touched me. Now that the service is done I just wish I could go back to the school and help out even more. The kids have shown me that helping requires a lot of effort but when you see the results you'll think it was all worth it.

Upcoming Dates & Events

School closed to students (staff training day): Friday 13 November

Sunday 29 November – Christmas Bazaar

Friday 4 December – CCAs finish for Term 1

Friday 11 December – Term 1 ends