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Sino-Canada High

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From the Principals' Pen



New to SCHS? Have fun but remember your future is influenced by how well you do in school

1. Work hard. Make classes better by getting involved. Contribute!.

2. Play hard. Get involved in clubs and activities. They build character.

3. Get plenty of rest. A rested mind is more productive.

4. Have respect for authority. Parents and teachers want to help you to become

THE BEST YOU CAN BE!



Sino-Canada is a school where you can learn the best of both western and eastern cultures. Western culture encourages you to discover and take the initiative to ask questions

and to learn. You are urged to think creatively about questions, to not copy others, and to find the best answer. When you are in class, do not be afraid to debate and show your ideas. Traditional Chinese learning focusses on self-discipline. By mastering both western and eastern approaches to education, you will have a strong base for success.

New Student Leadership



BACK ROW:
Regina W., Cathy L., Lydia W., Ava J.
FRONT ROW
Karen C. (president)
Missing:
George L.

Established in 2002, Sino-Canada High School student council is an official organization that runs the school student business. It consists of a president, three vice-presidents, the Youth League Committee and eight different departments (association, learning, volunteer, activity, disciplinary inspection, secretary, sanitation inspection, and sports). Each of the departments is lead by a "minister". The total number of members in student council is predominantly dependent on the recruitment scheme every year. In part, the student council serves as a communication

bridge between teachers and students. Students are free to give their opinions or suggestions for further school improvement by communicating with members of the student council.

The student council has successfully held various activities in the past years such as the Christmas Party, Singing Contest, Sports Meeting, Art Festival (Gourmet Festival, the Ikebana Contest), and the Haiti Earthquake Fund. For this year, regular activities will be organized by the responsible department. They also are starting to consider the possibility of

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Kids in the Hall

If you are going to dress up for Hallowe'en, what do you want to be?



Kevin Z.

"I would want to dress like a pumpkin"



Sandy H.

"A ghost!"



Vita H.

"A ghost - a Japanese ghost"



Jackson W.

"I want to be a lady-killer!"

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In the Spotlight



Paul is a new student to SCHS in Grade 10 this year. He has a great passion for sailing.

Why did you become interested in sailing?

Because it's fun and interesting.

How long have you been sailing?

Since 2006.

What did you learn from it?

I got stronger and I learned how to face difficulty.

How did you keep the balance between study and your interests?

I do things I like when I am free from learning.

How do you solve the problems that you meet?

I try different methods to achieve my goals.

Have you ever thought of giving it up?

No.

What job would you like to do in the future?

An engineer.

What else are you interested in?

Playing bass and guitar.

Around Campus



Relaxing with some games in the gym



Bustin' a few new moves



Watch the birdie!



Enjoying the moment in Chinese classes

Canadian Corner



Thanksgiving Day

Thanksgiving day is a day for giving thanks for all the blessings of the year. Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving with a family gathering. There is usually a big meal at which they eat turkey and pumpkin pie. In Canada, it is celebrated on the second Monday of October.

Thanksgiving Idioms:

Turkey: a foolish person
That man is a turkey.

Pumpkin: a term of endearment
Hi, Pumpkin. How was your day?



Hallowe'en is coming!

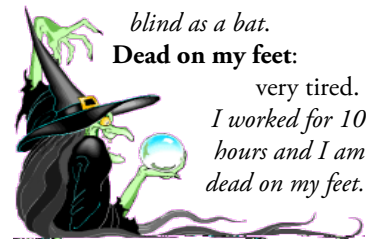
Halloween is celebrated on October 31. All Hallows' Eve, or Witches' Night, started in Ireland. It is now celebrated in the United States, and Canada, too. It's celebrated in many ways such as trick-or-treating, and dress-up parties. Every year our school holds a Halloween party.

Hallowe'en Idioms

Blind as a bat: having poor vision.
I can't see the whiteboard. I am as blind as a bat.

Dead on my feet:

very tired.
I worked for 10 hours and I am dead on my feet.



Staff Stuff at Sino-Canada High School



Meet Wang Haoyin. He comes from Huaiyin. It is a very beautiful place. Zhou Enlai comes from there too.

Wang Haoyin is a very good history teacher. He loves history very much. If he has free time, he always reads many books about history. He likes playing table-tennis too. He also holds a club to teach students how to play table-tennis.

His favorite saying is "Mirrors reflect our dress; our friends reflect our character; history reflects our society."

He enjoys working with the other teachers and students here.



This is Mr. Millar. He is the head teacher of the ESL department at SCHS. He is a very kind and humorous teacher. He likes to play tricks on us in class. Many students like him because of that.

His favorite sport is hockey. The game is a much loved pastime in Canada. Many students at SCHS like to play it also.

Mr. Millar does not like cell phones. We find that hard to understand because we can't live without our cell phones.

This is Mr. Millar's first year at SCHS and in China. We hope he enjoys his time here as much as we enjoy having him here.



Mr. Ng is the Science10 and biology teacher in the BC program. He is one of the most popular teachers this term. His way of teaching is modeling how questions are done and expanding upon that understanding by exploring what and why the answer is achieved in such a way.

Mr. Ng graduated from UBC. Badminton and computers are his favorite things. He also can play the piano very well. What a surprise!

If you are his student, you will like this handsome teacher.



Mr. Zhou is our school librarian. He is just like a grandfather to us. He is very kind and friendly. He always sits in the library and helps the people who need help. Most of the students like him very much.

As a witness to Sino-Canada High School growing, he is very proud and pleased.

Books are his favorite things. He hopes our students will like reading and protect our books. Let's all work at becoming a good readers in two languages.

Club Scene: Yearbook



Ms. Davis teaches Yearbook as a class. She also runs the Yearbook Club. Each year her students make one of the best yearbooks for the students at SCHS.

Q1: Why did you want to set up this club?

First of all, nobody does it. Secondly, I used to work as an editor and a writer.

Q2: Is this club popular in the students?

I think so because many students like to take photos and write articles.

Q3: How many students are there in your club?

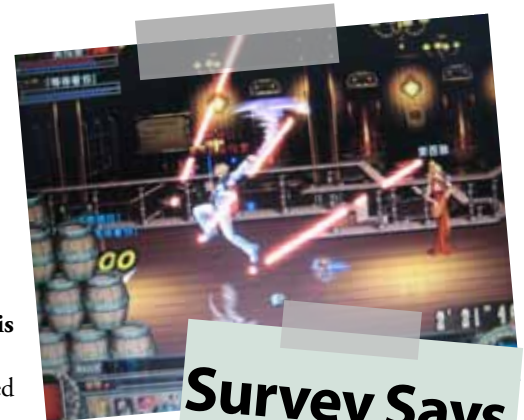
There are about thirty students.

Q4: How often do you have a meeting?

We have a meeting at 4:30 p.m. every Monday in the room 401. But sometimes we need to go outside to take photos.

Q5: What activities do you have?

We usually take photos and do some writing.



Survey Says

Students of SCHS were surveyed to get their opinions to the following question:

"What is your favorite video game?"

"Plants vs Zombies"	60%
"The Killers of the Three Kingdoms"	20%
"Dungeon & Fighter"	15%
"Counter-Strike"	5%

Fun Studying in Nelson



Exchange students from LV Rogers School in Nelson, BC.

Eva Song (Song Pei Ji) is an exchange student from Sino-Canada High School. She is attending LV Rogers Secondary School for one term. The reason why she wanted to be an exchange student is because she wanted to practice her English.

Eva Song lives in Nelson, B.C. for this term. Nelson is not a big city. It's in the mountains and near a big lake called Kootenay Lake. The view is good, and it is clean.

Eva says that the Canadian high school is not very different from Sino-Canada High School. The classes that she takes are the same as in SCHS. The teachers also are similar to the teachers in SCHS. They are very nice. The big difference is that most of the students are Canadian and only a few are Asian.

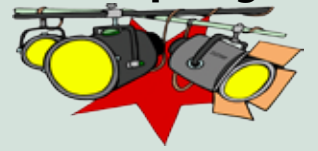
Eva lives in a home stay while she attends school in Canada. The family is really nice. She likes them very much because they are very friendly.

Her advice to the students who also want to be exchange students is just be yourself! Do not feel a lot of pressure and always be confident! ●



Eva at her home-stay in Nelson, BC.

In the Spotlight



Serena is a very busy student. In her spare time she models. This year, she won her first modeling competition.

How did you become interested in modelling?

I met my modelling teacher by accident.

How long have you been modelling?

For over half a year.

What did you learn from it?

My temperament became better, and I also became more confident.

How did you keep the balance between study and your interests?

I took part in many modern fancyworks and competitions in my free time.

How do you solve the problems that you meet?

I ask teachers for help and make progress.

Have you ever thought of giving it up?

No, I enjoy it and gained many experiences.

What job would you like to do in the future?

I want to have a chance to appear in public media.

What else are you interested in?

Dancing, singing, design, and management.

Kids in the Hall

If you are going to dress up for Hallowe'en, what do you want to be?



Avril L.

"I think a witch."



Roger C.

"Pluto!"



Mary T.

"I prefer dressing up as a coquette."

Students Visit Canada



New Leadership *continued*
asking overseas graduates to advise students on course selection and study plans for each year, for the purpose of helping new students with their studies at SCHS. “If it is possible, we may ask graduated students to come back and tell students about their study habits and life overseas,” said vice-president Cathy L. ●

Left: While in Canada, students had a chance to try ice skating. For many it was their first time on skates.

Below: Picking berries at at U-Pick was a new experience. The picking wasn't so much fun but the eating was delicious!



On August 8, 32 students from SCHS flew to Canada to start a North American visit. They spent the first two weeks in Toronto where they took part in English studies at the University of Toronto. While there they got the opportunity to see the places where they will possibly spend their college or university time.

Not all their time was spent studying. There were visits to Niagara Falls, Toronto Central Island, and the CN Tower and outings to pick berries or go skating, to name a few.

For the last week of the trip, students had a chance to go to Vancouver and Whistler in Canada or San Francisco and Los Angeles in the US. For the students who went to USA, they enjoyed the shopping time. For the students who stayed in Canada, they liked the beaches, and BBQ.

The students thought Canada was just like a huge park with beautiful scenery. They liked Vancouver better than Toronto and they didn't like the Chinese food there.

Would they go back again next summer? Yes, for sure! ●

Club Scene: Wujiang Orphanage

Q1: Why did you want to set up this club?

Oh! Sorry! I didn't set up this club. The club was set up in 2006. But I came this school in 2009.

Q2: Is this club popular in the students?

I think so because there are many members, especially girls. Maybe girls are kinder than boys. They love babies.

Q3: How many students are there in your club?

There are about 50 students.

Q4: How often do you have a meeting?

We usually have the meeting every week in the Art room or the room 605.

Q5: What activities do you have?

We often go to the orphanage to visit the babies and children. We bring them some shoes, sweets, clothes and some diapers.



Numbers

On-line gaming is a fact of life now. One of the most popular games is World of Warcraft (WOW).

Total number of WOW gamers world-wide
1150 million

Average number of gamers per day
56 million

Percent of gamers that are students
66%

Average monthly cost per person
\$15

WOW's market share
62%

In the Spotlight



Six is well-known around SCHS for his singing. . He often sings at school events.

Why do you like to sing?

Just for fun and to relax.

How long have you been singing?

For more than half a year.

What did you learn from it?

Never give up.

How did you keep the balance between study and your interests?

By being focuses on learning and practicing singing in my free time.

How do you solve the problems that you meet?

I a Try to do things as well as I can, almost no problem..

Have you ever thought of giving it up?

No..

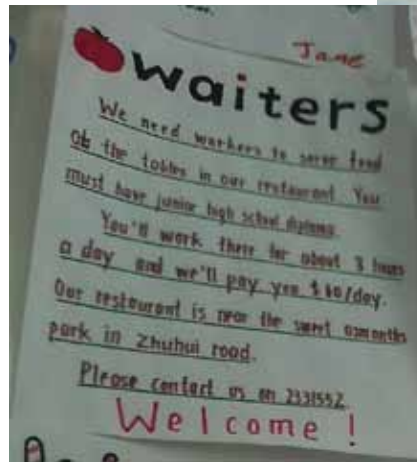
What job would you like to do in the future?

Businessman or teacher.

What else are you interested in?

I'm also interested in video games.

Student Gallery



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