

# YANGON ACADEMY

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## Sports Day

Yangon Academy's annual Sports Day, held at Yangon United Sports Complex, on Feb. 16th was a resounding success! Wolfpacks competed against each other throughout a rotation of 10 different sports activities. The Siberian wolfpack won the competition for Elementary and Middle School and Arctic won the competition for High School. A big thank you to Coach Barani and Coach Sai for planning this!



## Professional Development Day

Teachers and staff of Yangon Academy met on Feb. 9th to participate in professional development workshops and activities. Workshops included using technological tools in the classroom, literacy strategies throughout all grade levels, project based learning and cross-curricular planning.



## Celebration Assembly

MISAC Sports season 2 ended with a celebration of our student athletes and mathletes on Thursday, Feb. 8. The 45 minute end of day assembly involved all of secondary, who cheered and celebrated our U14 Volleyball and U19 Football teams. Awards were also given to Yangon Academy's student Mathletes, who earned cash prizes and certificates of recognition for a math competition hosted by our Mathletes club.



## Array Music Contest



Array Global, one of Yangon Academy's accreditation agencies, recently held a music contest. Yangon Academy's very own siblings Kim Onyu and Kim Sion won second and third place, respectively.

## Scrimmage with Thalun at Yangon Academy

Yangon Academy hosted a friendly U19 Boys Basketball scrimmage versus Thalun on Tuesday, Feb. 13th. This was a great way to foster new friendships and sportsmanship amongst our athletes in a low-stakes environment.



## Model United Nations (MUN) Conference

Yangon Academy's Model United Nations (MUN) Club participated in the annual MUN conference held at Yangon International School on Friday, Feb. 23rd - Sunday, Feb. 25th. MUN's mission is to advance understanding of the UN and contemporary global issues through quality educational programs that emphasize collaboration and cooperative conflict resolution and prepare participants for active global citizenship. Congratulations Yishika Gupta for winning an honorable mention for your performance! Also, a big thank you to club advisor Zara Schoeman for your tireless hours and dedication to our students and to Kaung Htet Lynn for leading the group as the student MUN president.

## Art Club Competition

Yangon Academy's Art club is hosted an art competition for secondary ending Feb. 29th. Winners of the competition will be decided by online votes and the top three will earn cash prizes.

## Elementary School Field Trips:

Students from KG to Grade 5 enjoyed 2 fun filled days outside the classroom. The purpose of the field trips was to provide every student with an authentic, hands-on learning experience outside of the traditional classroom. They enjoyed learning about the different ethnic groups at the National Races Village and could ask questions to the different representatives from the ethnic groups. They also visited the National Museum and Natural History Museum at the Yangon Zoo.



## MISAC Sports



MISAC season 3 sports has officially begun with Yangon Academy's U14 boys football team already playing four games against MISY on Feb. 19, Kings Yangon on Feb. 20, Network on Feb. 22 and BSY on Feb. 26. Our U14 Wolves are still looking for their first win but they remain in good spirits and continue to train hard.

On Feb. 22nd, Yangon Academy's U19 Basketball teams played their first game vs. Kings Yangon at home on Thursday, Feb. 22 where the boys won 25-24 and the girls lost 25 - 26. It was a lively game with a great spectator turnout.

Thank you to all who come out to support our student athletes. A big shout out to coach Rupert DeSmidt, Coach Brett Poncia, and Coach Mike Gordon for the hours they've put into training our athletes.



