

CELEBRATING THE DIVERSITY OF CULTURES AND NATIONALITIES

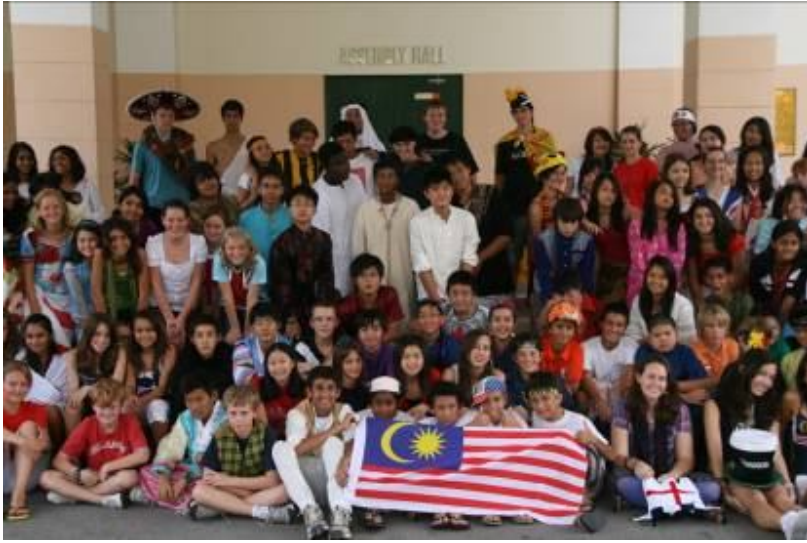
Equine Park, Selangor, Malaysia: 18 February 2010 ... Since its founding in 1946, the Alice Smith School has grown into a diverse and dynamic community with more than 1400 students from over 45 different nationalities. Although the education provided is firmly rooted in the British tradition in preparing students for an international future, the school does provide a uniquely stimulating international environment for the school.

To celebrate the diversity of the community, the Secondary Campus at Equine Park recently held an International Week, an annual event at the school. Students came to school dressed in a wide variety of national costumes, from Scottish kilts and Malaysian national dress to Japanese kimonos and Korean Han Bok. Some came dressed in their national colours and the school was a veritable rainbow of 'green and gold', 'red, white and blue' and other hues.

During the International Week, the School had Europe, Asia, Africa and World Day. Music was being played from the different cultures and at lunch time there were performances by students from each culture respectively. An International Food Fair was also held, with a buffet of tasty morsels from all over the world enjoyed by many. Students and staff shared an enormous selection of delicious food including lamingtons and Anzac biscuits, flapjacks and Cornish pasties, hummus and baklava, curry puffs and satay, sushi and noodles. Many of the students had prepared the items that they brought themselves and were proud to share them with their friends.

In continuing with International Week and to commemorate the Chinese New Year celebrations, students from both the Primary and Secondary Campus celebrated in style. Students were seen dressed in colourful silk costumes. Students in the Primary Campus also had the opportunity to learn more about the Chinese culture and participated in a range of exciting activities to celebrate this festival. Without a doubt, the main highlight at both the Primary and Secondary Campus was the lion dance performance.

"The Alice Smith School is known to be a multi-cultural school where students from both campuses develop a profound understanding of different cultures and customs, gain essential international experience and enhance their global awareness" adds Mrs Valerie Thomas-Peter, Director of School.



Students in a variety of national costumes



Trying out the spread of delicious food



Dressed in colourful Chinese costumes



*Showing off their Chinese dragon
& lantern designs*