

6 August 2008 – TAINAN, TAIWAN – ON WEDNESDAY, DAY three of the Taiwan International Youth Leadership Camp's stay, the students started off with another teaching experience with the same kindergarten class from Tuesday. Children's songs were taught to the classes in English, including popular tunes such as "*Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes*" and "*Row, Row, Row Your Boat*." All the students also participated in a game of London Bridges, encouraging interaction between the students and the children.



The high school students pose on the playground with the children before leaving.



The children line up to learn English songs from the high school students



After a long morning with the kids, the high school students split up into groups to eat lunch with the Kuang Hua girls in their classrooms.

Shortly after lunch the kids met up in the cafeteria for some free time where they interacted with each other and local students.

Franklin, Robert, Athena, and Jessica enjoy lunch together with the Kuang Hua girls.



Timothy and Franklin playing the Egyptian War card game.



Clarissa watches a playful match of arm wrestling between Irene and Ivy

Following up the previous pottery class from the day before, the students expanded upon their previous skill, adding 3-d figures on the clay tiles in addition to carving out the clay. "I was able to truly express myself in this art form," commented a student, proudly holding her creation.



The pottery teacher skillfully demonstrates the art of styling clay.

The students also began their first session of *Qigong* practice, learning the art of using the fan in a traditional form of martial arts. Different skills were introduced, such as opening and closing the fan, embracing the fan, as well as many calculated body movements. Although many students were unfamiliar with this kind of practice, the instructor was able to skillfully teach the members the proper form. "The movements are fun, but tiring, especially all that walking yesterday," observed Alex Shu, 16, after two hours of an exhausting practice.



Andrew Sung, 17, Daniel Wang, 17, and Amy Muramoto, 14, "poking the fan"



Students diligently practicing a form of the *Qigong* martial arts



On Thursday the students visited a large statue of the Sea Goddess *Ma Zu*, legendary protector of Taiwan. Shortly afterwards, they went to visit the AnPing fort, an antiquated Dutch mansion that served as a fortress during the invasion of the enemy.



Students trekking the steps of the Anping fortress (L), Students posing after a tour of the historical site (R)

The nearby Anping tree house provided yet another unique experience to share. Realistic wax figures gave the students a sense of the clothing and culture of the time period.



The group after a tiring exploration of the Anping tree house.



Students pose near the gate leading to the Eternal Golden Fortress, a historical and traditional attraction



The students pose with the principal of a local elementary school



Dan Wang, 17, poses with the principal of the school



Students at the school demonstrating a time-honored lion dance.



Jessica Chen, 16, and Dan Wang, 17, try their hands at the lion dance.



### Interview with Gina Holly

Q: What do you think about the camp so far?  
A: I've been tired 24/7. I liked hanging out with the kids, the ceramic stuff, and that's it.

Q: What did you enjoy most about teaching the kindergarten kids?  
A: Screaming with them.

Q: How do you feel about the girl's dormitory?  
A: I like it when the fan hits me and I don't like the toilets but that's just how it is here so I can't really complain.



### Interview with Steve Yang

Q: What were you looking forward to during this leadership camp?  
A: Well, at first I thought we were gonna live in a hotel, but "somebody" lied to me.

Q: What are you hoping to learn?  
A: I hope to learn a lot of great Chinese words and visit the city and I learned about discipline which is really good.

Q: What did you think of Qigong practice?  
A: I thought it was fun but it was rippin' hard and I got really tired.



### Interview with Amy Muramoto

Q: Are you having fun at the camp?  
A: Yeah.

Q: What did you think of our excursion to Anping?  
A: There were a lot of good things to see.

Q: What did you enjoy more: pottery or cloth dying?  
A: Cloth dying because it looked pretty.