



Shanghai Exchange

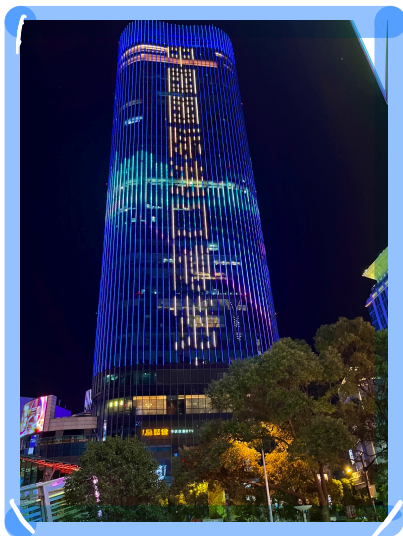


From the 2nd November to 14th November. The students of Nordseeschule conducted an exchange program with a school in Shanghai there they lived with the host families and are expected to get a deeper insight into the Chinese culture.

To start things off, we pay the school of Shanghai United International School (SUIS WY), The Nordseeschule and especially Miss Liu our most heartfelt gratitude, it is a pleasure to be invited to the international school.

As an exchange student from Germany and Hong Kong, there are still lots

to be experienced in this modern metropolis. China is a city of the future, and the lifestyle is way different than to Germany



As a quote from one of our students, he said “I have never experienced a city life like this before. Throughout the two weeks, I have experienced a different view towards China and even the world, and I believe that our whole exchange group has learnt a lot from the exchange tour too.”



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our friendship will last forever

友谊长存。



Some people gained knowledge, some gained friendship, some even gained some unexpected relationships. It is all thanks to this amazing international school. The atmosphere of this school is impressive to say the least, and it really puts the word “united” in the Shanghai United International school.

Never have I been so welcomed by people that we barely even know and never have I experienced such a hectic yet an amusing school life (mainly due to the fact that we don't have to do homework) We were even welcomed to join the extra curricular activities for the regular students here. I can say that we all experienced a great time here and had a sense of unity like never before.



Academically, the school is a bit less stressful than I expected, it's not as strict as the stereotypical information that we have got before, students can still chat in class, and contents was still understandable for us, despite that, it doesn't mean that the students are not talented, in fact it's exactly the opposite. The drama ' Hua mu lan' performed by fourth to six graders is extremely mesmerising to watch. One could never imagine that they are just school actors, and not students that has been trained formally in martial arts, the level of acting is even comparable to that you can see in a theatre.



China continues to impress us with its magnificent metropolis, the scale of the giant metro system is unimaginable in Europe, its convenience and efficiency is simply incomparable to any parts of the world. Such a complicated metro system is all for serving a population of 23 million and its society. With a society this huge, every aspect of China is different to Germany, especially for shopping and amusement.

There is no boredom in this big city as its filled with shops on every single corner, you can find everything here, from accessories shops from France or to the street food from the street stalls, there is simply lots to tell. But there is a flip side. With so many people and such an exciting city, traffic jams are present almost 24/7. Getting from place to place isn't the best experience that we have in Shanghai. But other than that it's an impressive city all along.



In conclusion, this exchange program is a once in a lifetime experience, and it's definitely a beneficial experience for the students to broaden their horizons and to remove the barriers between countries. I hope that this kind of exchange trip will be organised regularly so that more students can be benefited from it .



