



# ***MS Clubs and Activities***

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Block 2  
2024-2025

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Commit	
Gr.7 MUN Travel Team - by application only	Mon and Wed
Gr. 8 MUN Travel Team - by application only	Mon and Wed
Speech and Debate - by application only	Mon and Wed
Competitive Bots (Gr. 7/8) - (carry over Block 1)	Mon and/or Wed
Dance Lab (carry over from Block 1)	Wednesday
Mudworks Ceramics	Wednesday
Orphanage Club <i>Bi-weekly</i>	Wednesday
MATHCOUNTS	Thursday
Make-it Club	Thursday

<b><i>Drop in</i></b>	
Bulletin Board Beautification Club	Monday
Fantasy Basketball	Monday
Service Club	Wednesday
Taiwan Culture Club	Wednesday
Knots of Love Club	Wednesday
Chinese Calligraphy Club	Wednesday
Friday Game Club	Friday

# Commit

# MUN Grade 7 Travel Team: MY-MUNOFS

## What is MY-MUNOFS?

This is a beginner-level Model United Nations conference hosted by Overseas Family School in **Singapore from February 22-23, 2025**. It is an opportunity to do research on current events, develop solutions to global problems, and debate your ideas with other middle school students from around the world!

## Apply if...

- ✓ You are a Grade 7 student
- ✓ You enjoy learning about current events and global politics
- ✓ You want to make new friends and influence people
- ✓ You like traveling and want to go to Singapore!

## To join MY-MUNOFS, you must complete and submit an application.

- Applications available from Ms. Kuisle (3B09) starting on Monday, October 7
- Applications due by 3:45 PM on Monday, October 21
- The team will be announced on Friday, October 25

## Time commitment:

- This is a Block 2 Commit Club that runs halfway into Block 3 as well
- We meet on Mondays during Block 2 from 3:45 – 5:15 PM in Ms. Kuisle's room (3B09)
- We meet on Mondays and Wednesdays during Block 3 (until the conference)

**Coaches: Ms. Kuisle & Ms. Jao**

# MUN Grade 8 Travel Team: GECMUN

## What is GECMUN?

The GECMUN Conference is an Upper School conference hosted in **Jeju Island, South Korea**. It is a competitive conference with scorekeeping and awards. You will participate in a high-level conference with many creative and fun crisis/historical committees. We will be staying at the resort where the conference is held and will be able to enjoy their many restaurants and theme park (if we have time!)

## Apply if...

- ✓ You are a Grade 8 student
- ✓ You enjoy learning about current events and global politics
- ✓ You want to make new friends and influence people
- ✓ You like traveling and want to go to South Korea!

## To join GECMUN, you must complete and submit an application.

- Applications available from Mr. Cooper (3B06) starting on Monday, October 7
- Applications due by 3:45 PM on Monday, October 21
- The team will be announced on Friday, October 25

## Time commitment:

- This is a Block 2 Commit Club that runs into Block 3 as well
- We meet on Mondays during Block 2 from 3:45 – 5:15 PM in Mr. Cooper's room
- We meet on Mondays and Wednesdays the two weeks before the conference.

**Coaches: Mr. Cooper & Ms. Strellis**





# Taipei American School Speech & Debate

**Practices Monday & Wednesday room 3B02 Grades 7 & 8**



# Join TAS Speech & Debate!

- Local & International Tournaments!
  - Block 2/3– Preparation for international tournament – UC Berkeley
  - Block 4 – TAS scrimmage!
- Have fun debating your friends!
- Work with Upper School students!
- Learn important skills that will help you in class & beyond!



# TAS Speech & Debate happens all four Blocks!

- Commit: Mondays and Wednesdays (& Thursdays during block 3)
  - Specific skills & topic research
  - Additional assistance from Upper School debaters
  - Application for Blocks 2-3 (See Announcements or Dr. Helgeson and Mr. Hopkins)
  - All practices **3:45 - 5:15** in room **3B02**





# What we do!

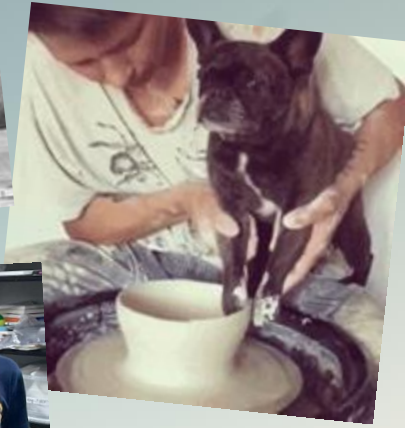
- February Topic Areas:
- Resolved: The United States should accede to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.
- Resolved: International financial institutions should cancel all outstanding public debt from fossil fuel projects in-low and middle-income countries (LIMC).

**First Block 2 Practice Nov. 4**



# Mudworks

with Mr. King



- Come get muddy and create in 4C15A during ALL BLOCKS this year!
- We will have studio time on Wednesdays during all blocks from 3:45-5:15.
- Sign up now! Only 22 spots available per Block.
- Come dressed to make a mess (Or art!) with clay!



# The Orphanage Club

Sponsors: Mr. Arnold and Ms. Wong



# What do we do?

- **Hang out!**
  - Teach Visually impaired students English (FIVE), PSB Christmas Party, outings at orphanages
- **Sales!**
  - Book sale, flea market, school fairs
- **Workdays!**
  - Gift wrapping for PSB, packing boxes for Pack and Mail, sorting books for Book Sale





- **What is OC?**
- Longest-lasting TAS club (52 yrs!)
  - Organizes the largest variety of events
- **What is our goal?**
  - Help the underprivileged and help make a positive impact on the world!
  - Interact with people we help!



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# Meetings every other Wednesday





## Room 2B17 (all blocks!)

- Contact Information:
  - **OC Email:** [tas.orphanageclub@gmail.com](mailto:tas.orphanageclub@gmail.com)
  - **Website:** <https://www.tasorphanageclub.org/>
  - **IG:** @tasorphanageclub
  - **FB:** TAS Orphanage Club





**Everyone is welcome to join! :)**

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“What is mathematics? It is only a systematic effort of solving puzzles posed by nature.”



—Shakuntala Devi  
Indian Writer and Mental  
Calculator

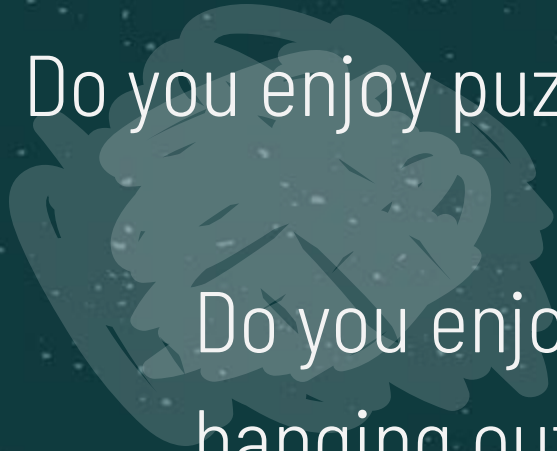
Do you enjoy puzzles and games?

Do you enjoy learning new things while hanging out with your friends?

Do you embrace math challenges and want to build your problem solving skills?

**JOIN MATHCOUNTS.**

Due to popularity, membership is limited, so register early!



# MATHCOUNTS



THURSDAYS with  
Ms. Huang &  
Mr. Poland

Limit to the first 40 students.





# Make It!

Hosted by: Mrs. Maguire and  
Mr. Dethy



- **Drop in** once to see if you like it
- **Commit** for the duration of your project

# Make It! Club is a place where you can:

- Learn how to use woodworking tools
- Design and build your own project





- Block 2: Thursday in the Tech Cube
- Limited Enrollment  
(Those who sign up first will have priority.)





Drop in

# Bulletin Board Beautification Club

Get creative all year long in room 3B62 located inside the library.

Join the Bulletin Board Beautification Club to unleash your inner artist and bring your creative vision to life!

No experience necessary. ALL ARE WELCOME HERE.

Every Monday from 3:45PM – 5:15pm with Ms. Hayes



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A close-up, low-angle shot of a brown leather basketball with black lines, resting on a polished wooden basketball court floor. The ball is positioned on the left side of the frame, casting a soft shadow. A black line from a court boundary runs across the foreground. The background is dark and out of focus.

# **NBA Fantasy Basketball League**

fanTAStic Ballers





## Join the Competition

<https://fadeawayworld.net/nba/magic-johnsons-career-record-vs-nba-legends-only-michael-jordan-and-scottie-pippen-won-their-head-to-head-matchups-against-magic>

# NBA Fantasy Basketball League

Mock Drafts

Strategy Sessions

Drafting Players

Trading Players

Analyzing Stats

Head-to-Head  
Competition

Prizes

And much, much  
more





<https://www.arabnews.com/node/1880331/sport>

**Mondays**  
**3:55-5:15pm**  
**3B17**

**Mr. E. Johnsen**  
**Mr. P. Johnsen**



<https://www.si.com/nba/2022/06/06/nba-finals-stephen-curry-warriors-celtics-game-2>



# MS Service Club

Supported by Mr. Thornberg & Ms. Dethy

Join us to make a difference by taking actions to serve our community and those who are in need.



Beach Cleanup 淨灘  
Life in Taiwan  
www.youcan.info

# ***MS Service Club*** is all about togetherness and betterment of our community!



We will join force



We highlight individual skills



Together, we will make a difference



Thursdays @ 2B22

3:55-5:15

Block 1&2

JOIN OUR  
C♥MMUNITY

**Join us!**





## TAIWAN CULTURE CLUB

**During club time, we will have lots of fun activities including making yummy Taiwanese food, craft, games & movies. We also celebrate local holidays.**

**This is a drop-in club. Please come join us and we look forward to seeing you soon. Thank you!**

















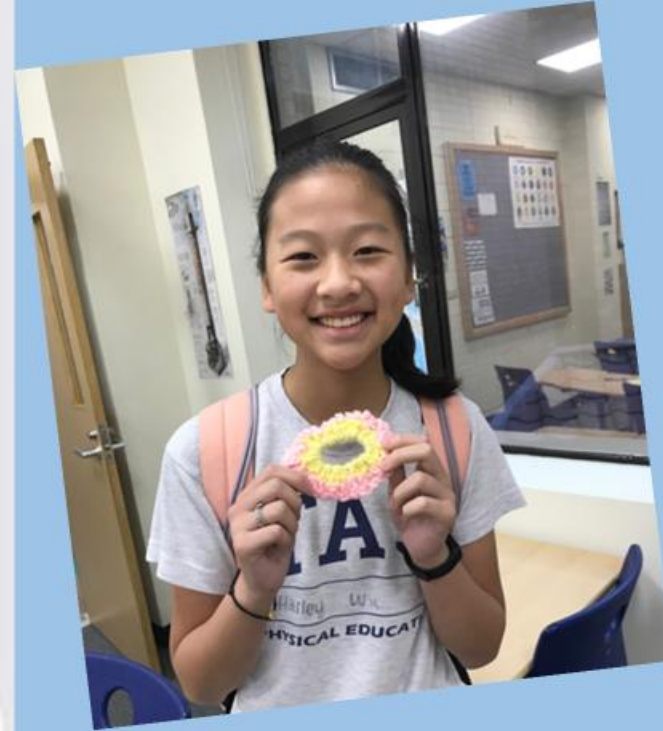
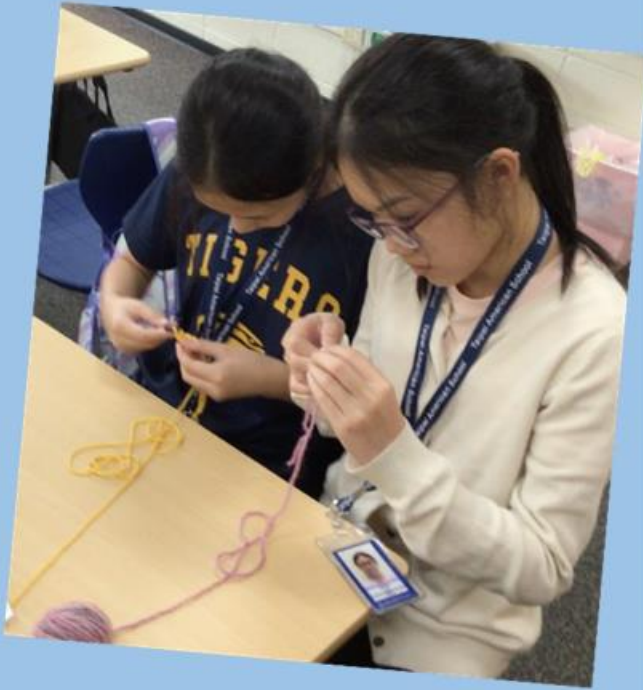


# Ms. Chao & Ms. Hsu





# Knots of Love



**Ms. Cho and Ms. Lin**  
**Room 3B41**  
**DROP IN CLUB**





# Learn how to **Crochet!**

*(pronounced crow-shay)*

Make...

- Scrunchies
- Scarves
- Donuts
- Hearts
- Blankets
- Stuffed animals
- Pom poms
- And more!







☺ Crochet and Knitting needles both available!

☺ Use our yarn or bring your own!

☺ Beginners and advanced students are welcome!





**~ Knots of Love ~**  
**Join us Block 2!**  
**DROP IN CLUB**

**Ms. Cho & Ms. Lin**  
**Room 3B41**  
**3:45-5:15**



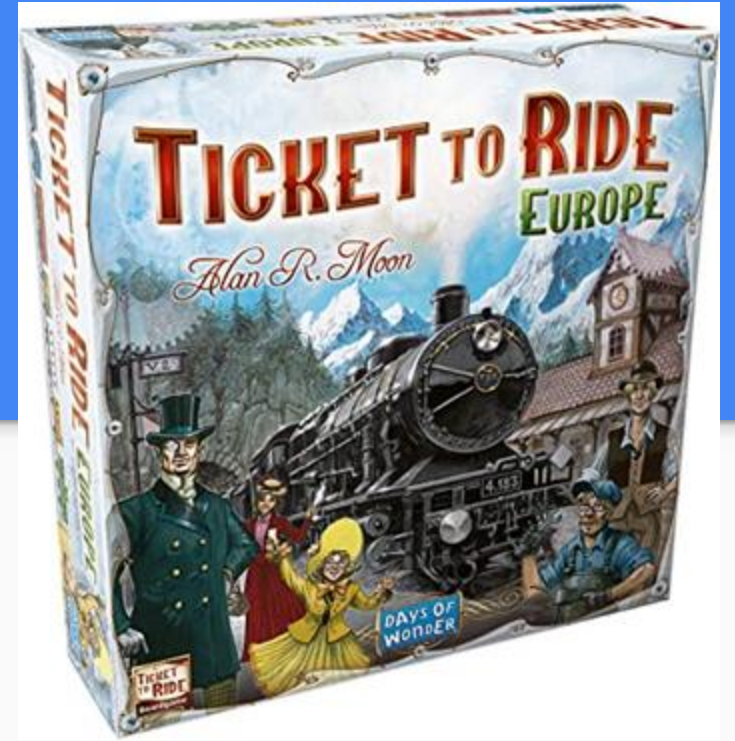


# Friday Game Club

with Mr. Sorensen



Beginner or advanced players welcome!  
We have dozens of games of all levels!  
Play our games or bring your own.  
Learn a new game or play an old favorite.  
This is a chance to wind down with friends after a long week.



# Game Club in the Middle School Library Fridays 3:45 – 5:15

See you there!

A decorative white corner graphic consisting of two overlapping triangles, one pointing towards the bottom-left and the other towards the top-right, located in the bottom-right corner of the blue background.



# Calligraphy Club

**In this club, we will practice and learn about Calligraphy. We will also write Spring Scrolls during Lunar New Year.**

**This is a drop-in club.  
Please come join us.**



夜思  
李  
床前明月  
疑是地上  
舉頭望明月  
低頭思故鄉





# Block 2

When: Wednesdays

Where: 3B43

Mr. Andy Lee



# 歡迎你

Drop in  
(during school day)



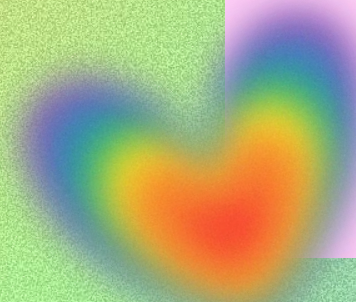
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## RAINBOW TIGERS

is the MS Gay-Straight Alliance, which seeks to create greater awareness about the issues and unique experiences and challenges faced by the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTIAQ+) community.

This is a safe and welcoming space for any student who wants to talk about issues and topics related to the LGBTIAQ+ community.

The group will meet on the last Thursday of every month during afternoon break. Look out for more information. No sign up is required.

A large, soft-focus rainbow heart in the bottom left corner.