CIES Travels Abroad
Dr. Kennell recruits and travels to China

As all of us working together can help make this a wonderful place for many years to come.

Secret Life of Pets

Most everyone here really likes movies. We have a tradition of going to the movies as a CIES family. This summer we’ll be going to see “The Secret Life of Pets.” This is a funny movie that is about a group of pets (some rich and some poor) and all of the adventures they go on. Stay tuned to the student activities board and the class announcements to find out about the date and time. This movie has been extremely popular, so don’t miss out on your chance to see it!

CIES Voices

As all of you may have noticed, we have recently hung up signs around CIES advertising the CIES Voices. We strongly want everyone to participate! It is very easy to participate. All you do is choose something that you have already written in class. It can be something short (like a journal) or something long (like an essay). Type up your writing if you haven’t already typed it. Submit it to your composition teacher, and he/she will submit it to the editor. (You can also submit it directly to acwilson@fsu.edu). Remember, this is a wonderful opportunity to have your writing read by many people and be available on the internet. If you are applying for a job or graduate school in the future, you can include the internet link to show that you’ve been published. This could make you have a stronger application and maybe a better chance of admission. If you’d like to read previous issues of CIES Voices, please check out the following link: http://cies.fsu.edu/Programs/Intensive-English-Program/News-and-Publications. Remember that the deadline is TUESDAY JULY 26th. We hope all of you can participate!

Important Announcements

* Don’t forget our food drive this month. We want to collect lots of food and donate it to local charities. Next time you go to the grocery store, buy a couple of cans or other food items to donate. This is a great way to give to the community and remember a former CIES student.

** As we mentioned in last week’s newsletter, please make sure you let Lacey know if you are leaving the country during the August break. She will need to know in order to make sure your I-20 is valid.
This week’s vocabulary:
recruit (verb)/recruitment (noun) – the process of getting people (often students) involved in a school or university
abroad (noun) – in another country; across an ocean or great distance
freshman (noun/adjective) – a first year student; the first year of studies
orientation (noun) – the process when a new person learns about the organization or school he/she is joining
mischievous (adjective) – naughty; causing mischief; playfully annoying

Happy Birthday to…
Maria Beatriz Mendoza (July 14)

Culture Question
Question: I see a lot of young college students walking around. When do new college students start FSU?

A: There has been a large increase in the number of young (17-19 year old) college students arriving at FSU during the last two weeks. (If you’re like the Nole News Editor, this might make you feel old!) There are several reasons why. High school students graduate high school in May or June. However, they are not allowed to begin studying at FSU until the second half of summer semester. (This means that they only started studying a few weeks ago.) Therefore, there are no freshmen on campus during the first half of summer. However, the majority of new freshmen do not start studying until fall semester. Most freshmen will live on FSU campus in dormitories/residence halls. In order to prepare new students for life on campus, FSU will invite new students to campus for a few days during the summer. During this time they will tour FSU, meet FSU students, learn about the residence halls, and be able to ask any questions. In addition to this student orientation, there is an orientation for parents as well. The goal of the parent orientation is to teach parents about FSU and hopefully help them feel comfortable with the idea of their child moving away from home. Usually the parents are just as nervous during orientation as the student. If you happen to see any students touring campus, you can be nice and offer them a hello and welcome to FSU. (Remember, most of you were new to FSU not that long ago!)

Language Question
Question: What is the difference between ‘smile’ and ‘grin’? Aren’t they the same?

Answer: Several CIES have asked this question. As it turns out, this is rather a tricky question. A smile and a grin look rather similar. Using the word ‘smile’ is very common. You use it to describe anybody whose face shows that they are happy. You smile when something makes you feel good or joyful. You also smile when you are having fun. A smile is always a positive thing!

A grin looks like a smile, but most people would describe a grin as a little smaller than a smile. Also, a grin will often involve a smile showing your teeth. The biggest difference between a smile and a grin is context. Often times a grin is done when someone does something bad, tricky, or mischievous. You sometimes might hear the expression ‘evil grin’ or ‘silly grin.’ You might see the word grin in stories or in books. Since grin can sometimes mean something bad, you should probably use the word smile if you are unsure. Remember – everybody loves a smile. 😊 (Note: This picture is a grin.)

Seen Around CIES

Quote of the Week
I’ve had to learn to fight all my life – got to learn to keep smiling. If you smile, things will work out.
- Serena Williams

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