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### Our February Newsletter



#### Welcome to Our February Intakes

A heartfelt welcome to our new February intake students and a welcome back to returning students. We are excited for the new start of the season as we continue our mission of providing quality education. At ELC, we remain committed to helping students build the strong language skills and confidence they need for academic success and personal growth. With the support of our dedicated teachers and learning environment, we are certain they will thrive.



#### A Chat with David Scott, Founder and Managing Director of ELC Australia

We had the pleasure of welcoming David Scott to our Bukit Bintang office for his annual visit to our school. As the founder and Managing Director of ELC Australia, David has been a guiding force in promoting the English language worldwide. In this interview, we revisit the origins of his vision for ELC, exploring the motivations that led him to establish the school 21 years ago. He shares his thoughts on how ELC has since evolved in programs and facilities, and use of technology. He also highlights the importance of integrating technology into lessons and updating curricula based on evolving needs. Additionally, we also discuss his aspirations for the future, as well as the continued growth and impact of ELC on students across the globe.

*The insert picture features David Scott, Datuk Lau Wai Cheng, Janice Lau, Daniel Furtado and ELC teachers at the Lau family's Chinese New Year open house in Kuala Lumpur.*

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### Celebrating The Lunar New Year at the Campus

#### Yee Sang: A Prosperous Tradition

Yee Sang, or "Prosperity Toss," is a must-have Chinese New Year dish in Malaysia and Singapore. This colorful salad, made with fresh vegetables, raw fish, and flavorful sauces, symbolizes prosperity and good fortune. Families and friends gather to toss the ingredients high while chanting auspicious phrases, believing a higher toss brings greater luck. More than just a dish, Yee Sang is a festive tradition that unites people in celebration and hope for a prosperous year ahead!



#### The Lion Dance: A Vibrant Tradition of Chinese New Year

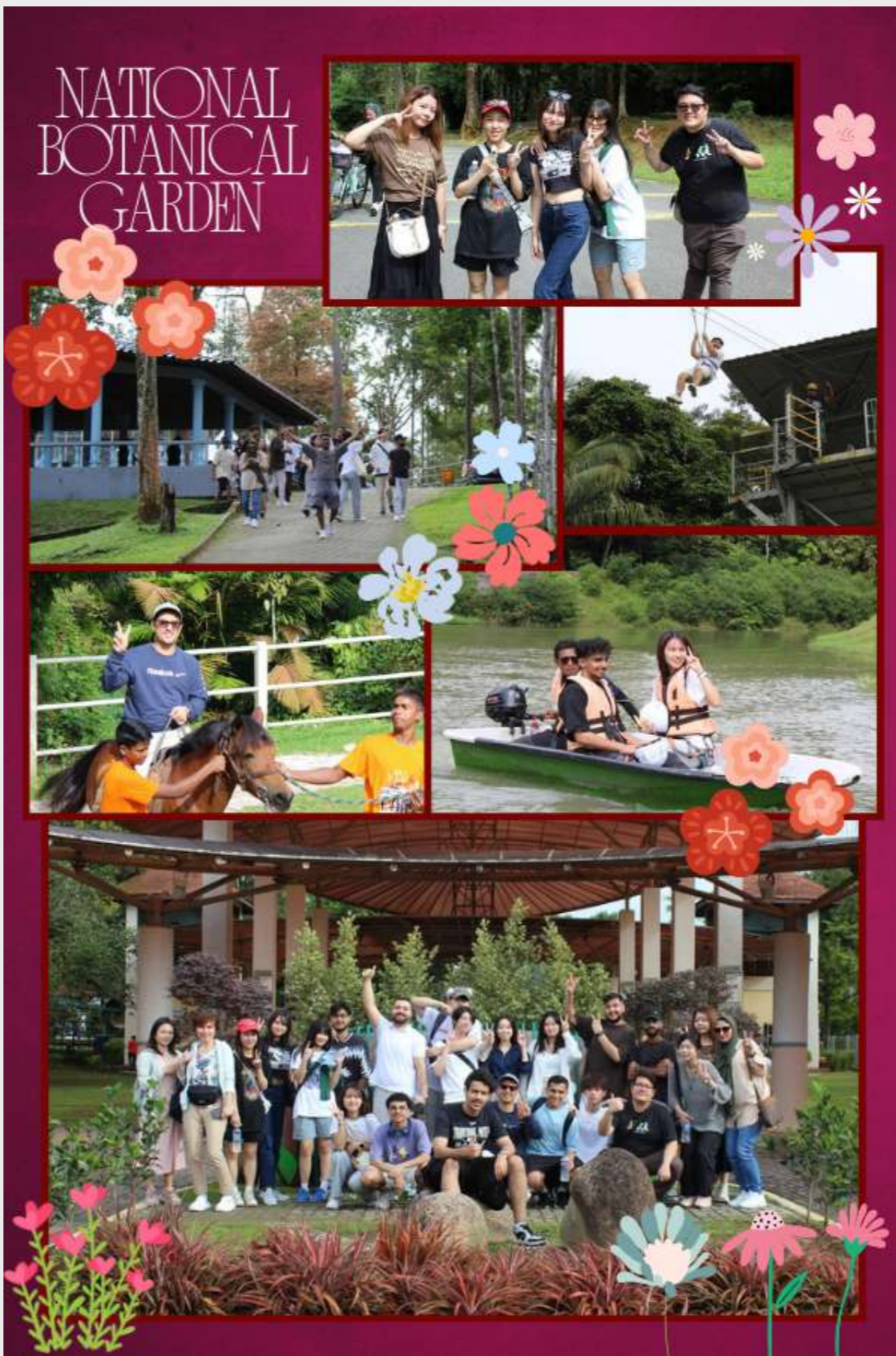
The Lion Dance is a thrilling highlight of Chinese New Year, symbolizing good luck and prosperity. Performed by skilled dancers in elaborate lion costumes, it is accompanied by the rhythmic beats of drums, cymbals, and gongs. This lively performance, seen at temples, businesses, and homes, brings festive cheer while driving away negative energy, making it a cherished tradition for a prosperous year ahead.



### Our Students' Activities in and around Kuala Lumpur

#### Malaysia National Botanical Garden: A Green Sanctuary

The Malaysia National Botanical Garden, located in Shah Alam, is a lush haven showcasing the country's rich biodiversity. Spanning over 90 hectares, this serene retreat features themed gardens, scenic walking trails, and a vast collection of tropical flora. Visitors can explore exotic plant species, admire stunning landscapes, and enjoy recreational activities in a peaceful natural setting. Our students had a fun time connecting with nature while hiking up hills, horseback riding, kayaking, and even zip-lining on the rainforest treetops.



### Meet Our UOWM Campus students

UOWM Campus has hosted multiple batches of international students to Santa Awano from Japan about his experiences at the UOWM Campus.



**What do you like the most about Malaysia and your stay here?**  
I like Malaysia because I have been able to go on trips here. There are many beautiful places in Malaysia like Malacca, Langkawi and Penang and travelling within the country is very convenient.  
**How did you find out about ELC?**  
I found out about ELC through an agent in Japan. He invited me to study here and provided information about ELC before coming to Malaysia.  
**What do you think about ELC school, ELC teachers and their teaching methods?**  
I think the teachers are kind and friendly. I am learning from different teachers, each with their own teaching methods. Overall it has been a great experience for me because I am able to improve my skills while studying here.

#### What are your plans after studying at ELC?

I plan to attend a university in Seattle, USA to study business. After graduation, I would like to work there because it is one of my dreams. I would also want to visit many beautiful places there and travel around to improve my English skills by using them in real-life situations.

#### Any special stories you would like to share?

When I came to Malaysia, I arrived very late at night, and my roommate surprised me with a cake. It was a birthday surprise because he knew my birth date. That was a very memorable experience for me. I also enjoyed making friends from different countries. I have kept in touch with my Vietnamese university friends and others. It has been a wonderful experience.

### Making immigration clearance easier

Sharing information about the Malaysia Autogate

#### Malaysia Autogate Facility at Immigration

Upon arrival at the Malaysia Immigration, a new facility has been introduced to make immigration clearance faster and smoother for eligible travelers. This means less time waiting at the airport and a hassle-free arrival experience for students and visitors to Malaysia. The Autogate Facility is an automated immigration clearance process allows passport holders from selected countries to enter Malaysia using biometric verification.

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