

BISI MODEL UNITED NATIONS 2017 REPORT



What's MUN?

MUN stands for Model United Nations. In MUN students go to represent an allocated country, NGO, or organization. Normally each school represents a different organ, and each student would be a delegate of the organ in a different committee. Some students may be ambassadors or historical figures. Ambassadors are Presidents, Prime Ministers, and Kings. In the allocated committees delegates create and debate resolutions for problems that we face politically, economically and environmentally.

My experience

I have attended five MUN conferences over the last two years. Each conference was experienced in its own way. However, MUNDP 2017 was an experience of a lifetime. For the first time in many years we weren't allocated with a superpower, we were representing Senegal. We put upon us the duty of 'making Senegal great again'. Everybody expected Senegal to be the silent delegate, but we showed them that BISI students can back the best out of anything. I was the ambassador and my committee included some interesting persons such as the King of Spain and Donald Trump. Senegal fought really hard to return our rights as an African country. In the Security Council which is the only committee in the conference in which VETO applies. VETO is only given to P5 countries, however, with the amazing debates made by our Senegalese government we were granted a VETO vote as well. The fun wasn't only in the committee rooms and by the juicy debates, but also in the mornings when going and in the afternoon when going home. Finally on the last day, after solving all the problems facing the UN, Senegal made a bold decision, which was to leave the UN and become independent as The Most Serene and Forever Eternal Senegalese Empire.

Why do MUN?

When I first came to BISI I was a really shy person. However, with help of the teachers I started to take steps that made me able to socialize easier. One of the main ways in which I learnt how to socialize is by going to these conferences. Everybody is friendly and willing to make new friends. If you feel that you are anything like I was then you absolutely should give it a try. In BISI we have MUN clubs which can help you learn the basics if you are scared as a starter and also most of the conferences are found by the students and then teachers volunteer to spend their weekends with us. Finally MUN gives you a look about what is happening around us all, and I believe it even helps us to learn how real life is and get out of the sheltered bubble of perfection that our parents work really hard for.

If interested in MUN any year group you are welcome to ask Reyad (Y11) about it to tell you when the next conference is.









