



First Day in our new Early Years

Inclusion means developing talent

It is very important that as a community we have a clear understanding of what distinguishes NIS from other schools in Nanjing. It is not just that we have a stunning campus designed purposefully to match our approach to learning, or that we have facilities for parents as well as children, or that we employ the most experienced and highly qualified teachers, or that we are the only IB Continuum school, or that we are the only school that is independent with ownership by the parents and does not run as a part of a multinational business for profit.

The main feature at NIS is that we believe that every young person has talent and the potential to develop that talent. We inspire international mindedness, personal excellence and creative thinking for one central purpose and that is to include all students in developing their talents. Put simply we do not pick and choose children based on their scores on tests, we meet them where they are and put our energies in to helping them develop their talents. That is what the future demands so our focus is on what will happen rather than on what used to happen. Yesterday, the education we had as children, is available all over Nanjing. NIS has a preference for tomorrow.

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A huge welcome to all our community. We have been busy over the summer getting our beautiful campus ready for the 2019-20 school year. We have our new Early Years Centre to match our Reggio inspired programme. We have our Blue Gym back for all student use. In preparation for the construction of The HUB we have consolidated all IT services in to one new Macquarium near the school entrance.

We had a small turnover of teachers this year and no changes to the leadership team giving us the opportunity for continuity as we build on the achievements of last year.

Have an amazing August.

Laurie McLellan lauriemclellan@nanjing-school.com

Upcoming Events:

The Upcoming Week is W2

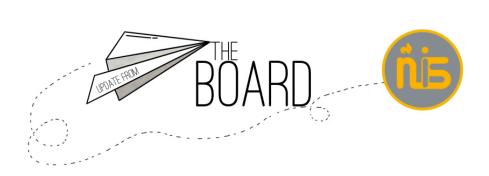
Monday 19th August Strategy Team Retreat

Wednesday 21st August Activities Sign Up New Parent Induction PTA Coffee Morning Child Protection Workshop

Thursday 22nd August G1&New Families iPad Intro Swim Team Trials 9-12yrs Pfrang Students Visit

Friday 23rd August
G12 Counseling Retreat
G2-4 iPad Refresher
Swim Team Trials 12yrs & Up
Pfrang Students Visit

Friday 24th August MS/US Production Auditions



The Nanjing International School Board welcomes you all to the 2019-20 School Year!

The Nanjing International School Board is the nine member governing body of NIS. The majority of Board members are elected by members of the Association of the Nanjing International School to govern the school in partnership with the NIS Director.

The current Board Members are: Julia Guesten (Chair), Laurie McLellan (Director of the School), Andrea Raviolo, Dylan Barnes-Lotfi, Sonia Jaeger, Patrick Heckelmann, Yi Zhang, Angela Romero and Rachel Shin.

The Board has specific functions, it is responsible for policy decisions and strategy. The Board selects and hires the Director, the Director manages the operations of the school. The Board oversees the finances of the school through Budget approval.

There is more information on the Board and its members at https://www.nischina.org/page.cfm?p=507

We are looking forward to another great year at NIS.

Child Protection at NIS

Korean and translation

NIS Prioritizes Child Protection

Find out more about the Child Protection procedures and systems at NIS on:

Wednesday 21st August at 9.15am in the Performing Arts Centre (PAC).

The Child Safeguarding Team will explain how they work together to keep all our students safe at school.



The Child Safeguarding Team

NIS has a clear procedure to safeguard all students and teachers and to respond to all incidents relating to Child Protection. Please visit the website for more information https://www.nischina.org/page.cfm?p=592 or contact me, Ruth Clarke, Child Protection Officer ruthclarke@nanjing-school.com

Wear your NIS ID tag
every time you visit the
school campus. It helps
to keep our campus safe
for students.



SPECIAL EVENT: PARENT LED CONFERENCES



Every student is unique, and brings his or her own talents and interests, thoughts and cares, to school each day.

In recognizing the individuality of each child, during Week 3 we will hold **Parent Led Conferences**. By listening to parents, who know their children best, we will be able to support your children better in their learning journey at NIS.

You will receive more information about sign-ups soon. Typically, Primary meetings may take place Monday through Thursday; most MS/US meetings will take place **Tuesday** afternoon August 27th.

Please note that there will be no lessons on Tuesday afternoon from 1:30pm.

LUNCH & BUSES on the day

Lunch will be provided for students as usual on Tuesday. For those families whose children take the **Home Caught bus** in the afternoon, buses will leave NIS at 1:30pm. Otherwise, parents should pick up their children at 1:20pm at the usual pick-up locations. There is no change to the Pre-K schedule on this day.

Should my child attend?

Yes! Your child is the focus of the conference.

What should you expect?

Here are some questions that will guide our meetings:

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| What do you feel we Need to know : | What are you Excited about: |
| What especially delights your child? | What are your child's strengths and |
| If overwhelmed, how does your child cope? | interests? |
| - What was your experience like in this grade? | What are you and your child looking |
| - How do you remember that year of school? | forward to this year? |
| What Suggestions do you have in helping me to | Worried about: |
| know your child better: | What are your fears or concerns about |
| - Is there a question you hope I'll ask you | your child in this grade level? |
| about your child? | |

Please contact your child's Teacher/Advisor or relevant Head of Section with questions.

See you then!

Mr. Adam Dodge Ms. Ruth Clarke Ms. Katie Ham Head of Primary Head of Middle School Head of Upper School

NIS is delighted to welcome all our new students and their families. We hope that you all settle in quickly, and make lots of new friends.



Secondary Basketball/ Volleyball Open Gym

Grades 6 - 12

Wednesdays from 3:15 - 4:15

Blue Gym

andyromero@nanjingschool.com



NIS Ambassadors and Transition

Start of the 2019-2020 School Year

How fortunate the NIS community is to have student Ambassadors from grades 6 through graduates past coming in to help our new families in transition. Ambassadors were hard at work, ending last school year with a training and starting this school year helping at Enrollment Day, New Student Day and the first day of school. Ambassadors will continue to support our new students throughout the ear as they get settled into the NIS rhythms and routines.



Thank You, NIS Ambassadors,

for your help with the new students in transition!

gretchengalaty@nanjing-schol.com

NIS ACTIVITIES 2019-20

The NIS Activities Team are here to provide our school community with an exciting and balanced range of activities.

MEET THE TEAM



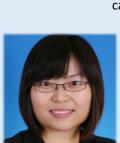
Kathrin Lammers **Aquatics Director**



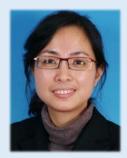
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Katja Schubert **Community Activities Coordinator** cac@nanjing-school.com



Grace Jiang Assistant to Aquatics Director



Vicki Hong Assistant to Activities Director



Elaine Liu Assistant to Activities Coordinator



Anna Yuen **Activities Coordinator** annayuen@nanjing-school.com



Danny Clarke **Activities Director**



dannyclarke@nanjing-school.com Stay up to date with all activities by joining the NIS Activities WeChat group. Scan one of the

Please feel free to come and meet us in school to get to know more about the Activities Program or read more about the activities on offer here: www.nischina.org/activities

team QR codes above and send us a message so we can invite you to the group



ACTIVITIES



After School Activities and Clubs

The After School Activities and Clubs Catalogue will be available on Veracross on Friday at 4pm.

Sign-ups will begin on Wednesday, August 21st at 1pm. Parents of Primary School students can sign their child up for ONE activity on Wednesday starting on Wednesday at 1pm. Space permitting, students can be signed up for a second ASA on Thursday at 1pm.

Students in G1-3 may sign up for a maximum of 2 activities (including swimming).

Students in G4-5 may sign up for a maximum of 2 activities AND have the option of 1 (CISSA) sport or ASA swimming.

Students in the Middle and Upper school should register themselves on Veracross on Wednesday, August 21st.

Anna Yuen, Activities Coordinator

Discover China 2019 for Grades 5 - 11, Graduation Trip for G12

Every year, NIS organises a week-long trip to various destinations around China as an integral part of the MYP/DP curriculum. All accommodation and transport costs for this trip are paid for by NIS. This year, the Discover China Week trips will take place in Week 11 from October 28th— November 1st. This year, each trip will have a Service element.

Students will sign up for a trip on Tuesday, August 20th at 1pm. Please take the time to discuss the trip with your child. Posters for each trip have been included.

The Grade 5 Discover China trip will be from October 30th – November 1st.

Grade 12 students will take their trip from May 25th - 28th, 2020.

Community Activities



Welcome and welcome back to a new exciting school year. We are pleased to offer a lot of activities again and even some new activities this semester. Take a look at the catalog on Veracross on August 16th. Sign up on Veracross will open August 12th at 4pm. The activities will start in the week of September 9th. Please note that the program is subject to change due to number of registration and conflicts with other school events.





Your community coordinator

Katja Schubert

Athletics

Our Athletics program kicked off this week with CISSA Touch Rugby. ACAMIS Volleyball starts this coming week and Cross Country Running the week after. Sign ups are open on Veracross for all these sports.

Service @ NIS

Service Learning and CAS Opportunities will be advertised in the Daily Bulletin and sign ups will take place on Veracross. Students are encouraged to engage in Service experiences outside of the NIS community. Stop by the Activities Office if you would like some suggestions.

Contact us:

dannyclarke@nanjing-school.com annayuen@nanjing-school.com

kathrinlammers@nanjing-school.com cac@nanjing-school.com



ACTIVITIES

Swimming

Swim Team Needs YOU

GIVE IT A GO!!!

Thursday 22nd August 3:15pm 9-12 vrs Friday 23rd August 3:15pm 13 yrs & Over

Race 50M Of Butterfly(13&Over), Backstroke, Breaststroke, Freestyle

Sign up in F102 - Pool Office by 4pm, Tuesday August 20th



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Swimmers who wish to be part of this year's Musical Production (Little Shop of Horrors), should sign up for the audition on Wednesday 21st August to avoid a clash.

For the Mini-Squad, students age 8 and under will be invited to the first training session, Friday August 30th. Requirement for this team is that they are able to swim a length across the big pool.

Training opportunities are available in the pool every afternoon for swim squad members or those who

A workout will be written on a white board and selfmotivated students may follow these to get back in shape for the swim season / time trials.

The student who shows the most respect, commitment and teamwork will be rewarded (On Wednesday 21.8.) with my 'Master's World Championship Swimming Cap'

Prerequisites for ASA Lifeguarding Course:

Candidates must:

- 1. Be at least 15 years old on or before the final scheduled session of the course.
- 2. Swim 300 yards, continuously demonstrating breath control and rhythmic breathing. Candidates may swim using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both, but swimming on the back or side is not allowed. Swim goggles may be used.
- 3. Tread water for 2 minutes, using only the legs. Candidates should place their hands under the armpits.
- 4. Complete a timed event within 1 minute, 40 seconds: Starting in the water, swim 20 meters. Swim goggles are not allowed. Surface dive, feet-first or head-first, to a depth of 7 to 10 feet to retrieve a 10-pound object. Return to the surface and swim 20 yards on the back to return to the starting point with both hands holding the object and keeping the face at or near the surface so they are able to get a breath.

Exit the water without using a ladder or steps.



Are you a Middle or Upper School student interested in learning and mentoring Primary School students in...

- Camping skills
- Knot tying
- Setting up a shelter
- Orientation with a map and compass
- How to build and cook on a campfire
- First Aid
- Teamwork and Leadership skills

Why choose Outdoor Survival?

- Could count towards Service
- Could count towards the Global Citizen Piploma



An Outdoor Survival Club will begin in Cycle 2
For more information contact or visit Mr. Lee (leemayes@nanjing-school.com)



NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNSELING OFFICE

Welcome to the 2019-2020 year of learning!

The Primary School Counselor has moved into his new office next to the newly constructed Early Years Learning Centre! Mr. Cal is now at the end of the Grade 3-5 hallway, next to the large Primary School kitchen. He is available to assist you and your family in transitioning to life in Nanjing, as well as ensuring that your children are happy attending school.

His primary role is to help ensure a holistic approach to your child' educational experience, including their social and emotional well-being. Beyond the school, I am available as a listening and empathic ear to any social emotional needs you and your family may have.

Please follow these simple directions to your new Primary School Counseling office.



If you've got any concerns related to your Primary School child's social or emotional wellbeing, please feel free to contact Mr. Cal at calevakelly@nanjing-school.com.

We wish you a happy school year.



HOW TO UPDATE PASSPORT INFORMATION

Important information about passports and visas

Please update Veracross with current student passport and valid China visa details so the Activities Office can begin booking tickets and accommodations for Discover China Trip Week 2019.

All FOREIGN students must have a valid passport and a valid visa in order for the Activities Office to book flights, train tickets and hotels. Please note that a valid visa and/or entry stamp are essential for buying tickets and making hotel reservations.

Students who intend on using their CHINESE ID cards as their travel document are asked to send a photo or a scan of their ID Card via email to elaineliu@nanjing-school.com HONG KONG, MACAU and TAIWANESE students are also asked to send photo or a scan of their Chinese Government issued ID passes to elaineliu@nanjing-school.com

Please see the pass samples views as below:



Chinese ID sample



Chinese government issued pass sample for Hongkong and Macau resident



Chinese government issued pass sample for Taiwan resident

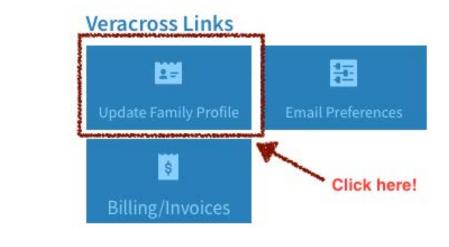
If your child/children hold Foreign Permanent Resident ID Card(s)中华人民共和国外国人永 久居留证 issued by Ministry of Public Security and you want use it/them as the travel documentation in Discover China Week, please send information via email elaineliu@naniing-school.com

For FOREIGN passport holders ONLY: please refer to the instructions on how to update your passport and visa documentation.

Step 1:

Log into Veracross via https://accounts.veracross.com/nis/portals/login

Go to "Update Family Profile" then "Citizenships & Passports"



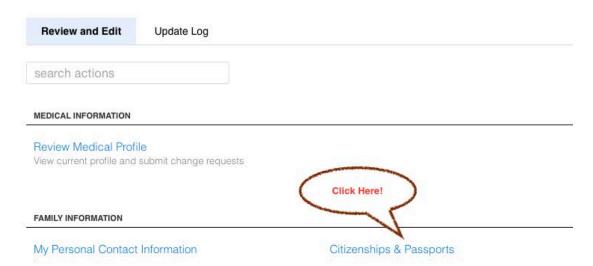


My Family: Information Review

Instructions

Please keep your information up to date. Thanks.

- 1. Click on the information tile to view the info. detail.
- 2. If you want to make change, please click on blue "Edit" button on the information window.
- 3. After you make change, please "Save".



Step 2:

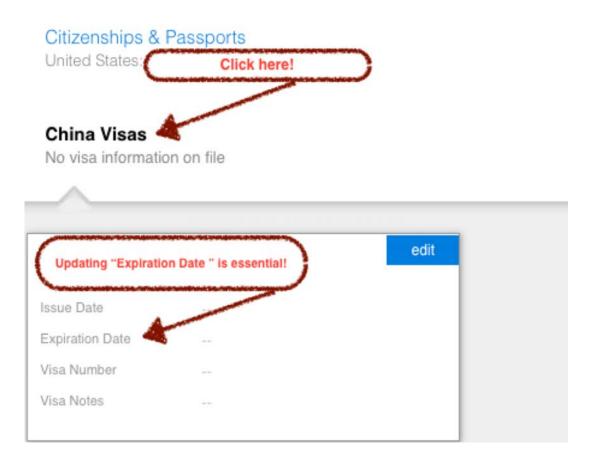
Add or update passport information:

| First Name | | Input passport Name,Country then chose Primary Citizenship"yes" | | | |
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Step 3:

Add or update China visa information:



Please complete the information update at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Activities Office.

Thank you for your understanding!

Anna Yuen, Activities Coordinator annayuen@nanjing-school.com

Elaine Liu, Secretary to the Activities Coordinator **elaineliu@nanjing-school.com**

Lunch Menu

http://www.nischina.org/page.cfm?p=571



Community Events



http://www.nischina.org/page.cfm?p=534

Swimming Pool Calendar



http://www.nischina.org/page.cfm?p=585

NEW BUSES ARE HERE

NANJING INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

ALL BUSES FOR
TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL
STUDENTS HAVE BEEN CHANGED
TO DEDICATED SCHOOL BUSES
WHICH MEET THE HIGHEST
SAFETY STANDARDS TO ABIDE BY
NEW GOVERNMENT LAWS AND
REGULATIONS.

THE NEW NIS SCHOOL BUSES
WILL RECEIVE THEIR FIRST
PASSENGERS AT BEGINNING OF
THIS SEMESTER. THERE WILL BE
FOUR BRAND NEW BUSES, TWO
ARE 28 SEATERS, AND THE OTHER
TWO ARE 43 SEATERS.



SAFETY IS HIGHEST PRIORITY

Safer chassis structure, enhanced protection design in case of accident.



Seat cushions are designed to provide students with better protection.

Improved driving assistance system to enable the driver to have better front and rear view from enhanced radar detectors and visual display units.

Emergency button on windows to provide longer evacuation time in case of emergency.

Rear safety door designed for fast evacuation in case of emergency.













Bringing peace of mind to our parents

Real time bus stop tracking of all bus journeys

Real time notice when students get on and off the buses

Alert notice of any student missing the bus

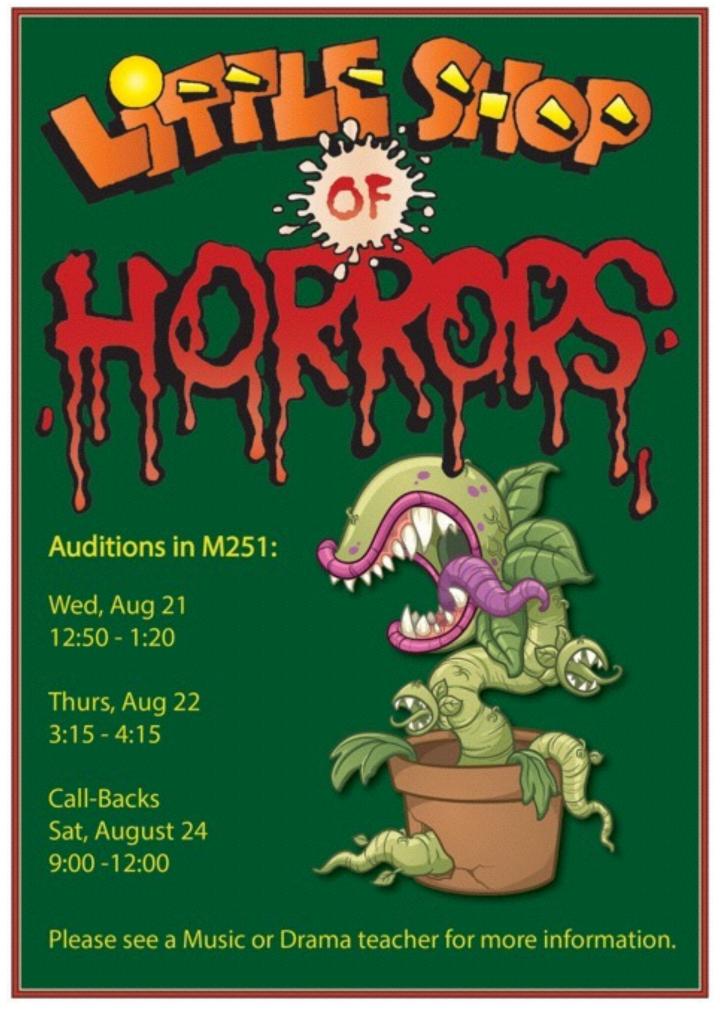
Emergency notice for traffic jam or other delays

Real time bus location display on the map Multiple languages versions, English, Korean and Chinese

Available on both IOS and Android devices

Friendly interface and easy to use.

jay@homecaught.com





PTA NEWS

2019-2020 PTA COMMITTEE

President: Benedicte
Thomasson
Vice President: Yvonne Zollner
Vice President: Gina Ryu
Vice President: Ying Liu
Treasurer: Gina Policelli
Secretary: Jo Laycock

PTA EVENTS

8:15 August 21st Coffee Morning
8:15 September 25th Coffee Morning

PTA SHOP

NIS Hoodie Pre-Order August 20, 21, 22 & 23 before and after school Normal PTA Shop Hours Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00

Friday 2:30 - 3:30

Welcome new and returning teachers and families to the NIS Community!

The PTA is planning another wonderful schedule of events and activities this year. The monthly coffee mornings are a great way to keep updated on relevant issues from NIS and PTA events.

- * Our first PTA coffee meeting will be on **Wednesday**, **August 21st at 8:15** at the Center Cafe located on the second floor.
- * NIS Hoodies ordering will start on **August 20th until 23rd**. Please come to the PTA Shop from **7:30 to 8:30** and from **2:30 to 3:30**.

PTA will be organizing many events and we are looking forward to your support. Volunteering is a major factor in the success of every event. Please do not hesitate to join us!



PTA Food Tour

The first Xianlin Food Tour was fantastic. Thank you to everyone who participated. This was well-attended and much enjoyed! It was a pleasure to guide you all.

PTA Shop Hoodie Pre-Order session

****IMPORTANT***

This will be your only chance to order your personalized NIS Hoodie! Please refer to the attached flyer for more details. You will be able to view and try samples for size and make your order. Come on Wednesday 21st to put in your hoodie order and then the PTA Coffee Morning at 8:15 am!

To join the volunteer group for any of our PTA events, please contact Benedicte Thomasson, Yvonne Zollner, Gina Policelli or Sue Northcott, Or contact us on this email: ptapresident@nanjing-school.com







Step1 : APP Download

Scan the QR code below or the APP from your APP store (建粧版 / Compass.cn)

Step 2 : Login

Select school code 20408
Use your meal card number as a username and insert first time user password: 1234. For meal card number contact Chartwells at chartwels@nanjing-school.com

Step 3 : Change Password

Click on "Account" → Tap Change the password and fill in the steps to finally confirm your new password

Slep 4: APP Features

- Wallet Balance / Transactions Check
- Recharge Top Up your Card
- Info Weekly Menu & Communication















ACCOUNT PAGE FEATURES

Shift Language, Reset your Password & Log Out

Language Setting

Shift to Chinese or English according to users' demands

Change the Password

- 1. Enter Old Password
- 2. Enter New Password
- 3. Confirm New Password
- 4. Top Confirm
- Log Out

Uses tap "Log Out" at the account page to exit the APP







HOME PAGE FEATURES

Show customized functions

There are 6 functions available that can be displayed at the users' home page.

- 1. Tap "Edit" on the upper left
- 2. Tap "Edit" or Long press one of the icons
- "Add/Remove" the customized functions to be displayed at the user's home page





HOME PAGE FEATURES: RECHARGE

Top-up your card

(Union Pay, Alipay & Wechat Pay)

- Go to "Home" main page
- 2. Tap "Recharge"
- 3. Enter "Amount"
- Choose "Payment Method"
- 5. Tap Confirm

*Please note that 0.7% bank service charge will be applied. The service charge will be deducted from the amount you recharge.





HOME PAGE FEATURES: WALLET

Recharge your card & check your transactions

(Union Pay, Alipay & Wechat Pay)

- 1. Go to "Home" main page
- 2. Tap "Wallet"
- 3. Check "Balance"
- 3. Check "Transactions"
- Check "Consumption"





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For more

please contact:

www.pfrangassociation.org

pfrang@sharehousechina.com

SUN, Sept 8 12 - 4 pm



An afternoon for families and friends, to welcome returning and new members of the Nanjing International Club. Join us, together we share, care and enjoy!

- BBQ Buffet
- Information about NIC
- · Kids activities

Admission

FREE New & returning members **250 RMB** Non-Members adults kids < 12 **100 RMB**

Kids activities (proceeds to Pfrang)

NIC MEMBERSHIP FEES:

Full Year (Sept 1 - Aug 31) **Early Bird** RMB 1000 **RMB 1000 RMB 100** Student RMB 200

Pre-registration days at NIS: Aug 20, 27 + Sept 3 before and after school



50 RMB

www.theniclub.com













Families of all ages and Gr 6 – 12 students of all abilities welcome

SNOW JAPAN 2020

24 – 31 Jan 2020 Japan

Would you like to learn how to ski or snowboard?

Then come join the trip!!

Full 6 days ski/board package ¥11,000 (plus flights)

More information and bookings - contact



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POWDER SNOW-IN THE WORLD!!

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