



NIS Welcomed Visiting Artist, Mr. Edoardo Malagigi

Communication to our community and the world

Today NIS launches our new website www.nischina.org. We are looking at all our communication in order to help us keep our community well-informed and engaged with the incredible learning that goes on every day at our school. Features of the new website include a more streamlined and intuitive visitor experience, particularly on smaller devices such as phones. A dynamic news section with regular updates about school events and student achievements. More calendar options to help planning for parents. An option to translate into any language for our non-English language speakers. A "MyNIS" section to give quick access to students, teachers and parents to information that is relevant to them. We now have full control of all updates and will be able to make changes whenever we want.

We also have a Task Force set up by our School Board looking at communication and marketing at NIS. The group contains students, parents, a teacher, a staff member and a Board member. This is an opportunity for generative discussions to help us develop a forward-looking communications and admissions plan. The key questions are What's our message? Who's our audience? and How do we do this? To be a truly inclusive learning community we must communicate in a manner that makes all of us feel part of NIS.

Have a stupendous September,
Laurie McLellan
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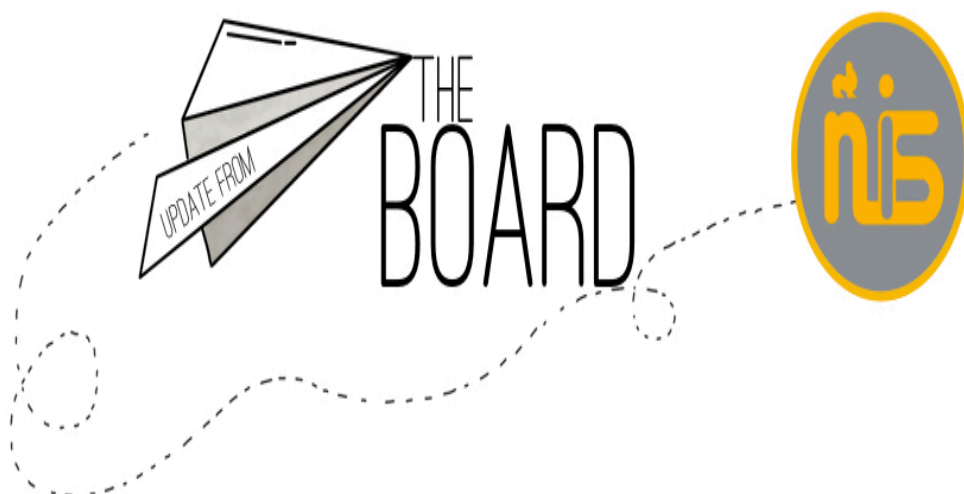
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Annual General Meeting 2019

Date: Friday, September 27th, 2019

Time: 8:10 am

Venue: Large Group Room on 3F in The Centre (H302b)

As a current parent or legal guardian at NIS you are a member of the Association of Nanjing International School. NIS operates as a non-profit association of current parents and guardians as well as Board members. According to the Association By-laws there is an annual meeting of the association once every year. This year we will be having the meeting on Friday, September 27th at 8:10am in the Large Group Room on 3F in The Centre.

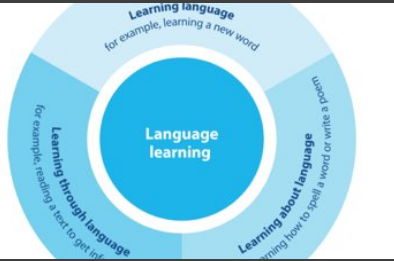


PS Parent Forum- Language Learning at NIS

Join us to learn more about ELL, Mandarin, and the PYP framework for language learning.

Friday Sept. 27th
9:30am-10:30am
Cafeteria Mezzanine

Contact HOP Adam Dodge for any inquiries.
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Upcoming Events:

The Upcoming Week is W7

Wednesday 25th September

PTA Coffee Morning
Digital Citizenship Parent Workshop G1-4

Friday 27th September

Annual General Meeting
Gr3-10 MAP Testing Ends
NIS Development/Transition Swim
PTA Trivia Night

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Cover Nursing at NIS

Do you have a background in nursing?

Do you enjoy helping people?

Do you like working a fun, fast-paced setting?

If you answered yes, please contact Kasson Bratton kassonbratton@nanjing-school.com to express interest in joining our list of community members able to cover when our exceptional School Nurse is away. Thanks!



Fall MAP Assessments: September 16-27

Starting the week of September 16th, students in Grades 3- 10 are taking the MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) assessments for Reading and Maths. These online tests are administered by NWEA (Northwest Evaluation Association:)

<https://www.nwea.org/>.

“MAP assessments are adaptive, which means that every student gets a unique set of questions based on responses to previous questions. As the student answers correctly, the questions get harder; if the student answers incorrectly, the questions get easier. The purpose [...] is to determine what the student knows and is ready to learn next.”

(<https://www.nwea.org/blog/2017/12-common-questions-parents-ask-map-growth-assessment/>)

MAP provides us with assessment data twice annually that help track student growth and better ensure that learning is appropriate for the needs of each student.

Would you like to try a practice test? Click [here](#):

Both the username and password are: **grow**

Beyond these preparations, students should simply get a good sleep, eat a healthy breakfast, and come to school ready to give their best effort.

Reports will be sent home to parents in early October. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kasson Bratton

Deputy Director-Learning

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Campus Access for NIS PARENTS

Please refer to the access guidelines below. Their purpose is to maximize safety and student learning.

Centre Access for NIS PARENTS

Access to NIS campus beyond the guard gate	Monday through Saturday: 5:30am-9:30pm. Sunday: Scheduled activities or fitness room use.
School Holidays	As posted in the Weekly Bulletin.
Fitness Room Access	5:30am-9:30pm daily, unless otherwise posted.
NIS Pool	During posted community swimming times. See weekly bulletin for details.
Centre Cafe	During posted opening times. Children in Grades PK-10 must be supervised.

Learning Spaces Access for NIS PARENTS (Beyond the internal security barrier)

Outdoor Spaces (Spider Web, Courtyard Play Structures, Track, Pitch, Garden, etc.)	Monday-Friday: Morning drop-off and from end of school day 6:00pm. Saturday: 7:30am-6:00pm. Sunday: For NIS-approved community activities only.
NIS Gyms	Outside of the school day, for NIS-approved community activities only.
Library	Monday-Friday: 7:45am-4:15pm. Saturday: As posted. See weekly bulletin for details. Children in Grades PK-9 must be supervised by a parent after 3:00pm.
All Other Learning Spaces (Classrooms, Design Centre, Early Years Centre, PAC)	Student morning drop-off, by invitation of the teacher, and/or during scheduled events (i.e. Conferences, Open Houses, Scheduled Tours, Parent Coffees).
Cafeteria	30 Minutes after the end of the school day. Children must be supervised.
Pick-Up	Students should be picked up by parents from designated pick-up locations.
Bathrooms	Parents should only use adult bathrooms.

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**Parent
Meeting:
October 09
9:10 to 10:00
MS/US LGR**

FCD: Freedom from Chemical Dependency Parent Workshop

Parents of Grades 6-12 Students

*Grades 6-12 Students
and Parents*

Join the FCD prevention specialists for a parent presentation and discussion on **Wednesday, October 9th from 9:10 to 10:00 in the MS/US LGR**. This will follow the MS/US Discover China Trip Parent Meeting.

As part of our commitment to prevention and wellness, we have invited FCD Prevention Works to visit our community. A part of the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation, FCD is a non-profit organization that provides substance use prevention services to schools worldwide.

...FCD?

In 1976, FCD Prevention Works launched a pioneering approach to substance abuse prevention. Since then, we have worked with over two million students, at nearly 1,000 schools, in more than 65 countries, on five continents.

Parents play an important role in prevention by encouraging ongoing family dialogue on the subject of alcohol, nicotine, and other drugs. The FCD prevention specialists will conduct a parent workshop to share information from the recent Student Attitudes and Behaviors Survey offer best practices to help our students enjoy a drug-free adolescence.

Stuck in the Middle

How to Talk so your
Child will Listen and
How to Listen so
your Child will Talk

Come join our group to
discuss strategies on
improving communication
between parents and
their children.



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When: Tuesday, September 24th @ 8:15

Where: 2nd Floor Main Building (Old IT Room)

Who: Middle School Counselor, Lance Yuen

Digital Citizenship Parent Workshop

Who:

Parents of Grade 1, 2, 3, and 4 students

Where:

Performing Arts Center

When:

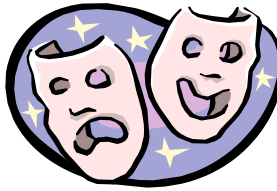
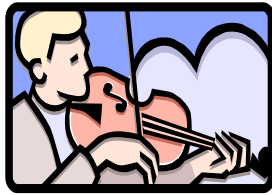
Wednesday, September 25th at 9:15am

What:

- Learn about **Family Sharing** where parents can manage Apps and devices within a family unit - We will even set it up!
- Examine **Screen Time** capabilities that include: *Downtime, App limits, and Content and Privacy Restrictions!*



Contact TomJohnson@nanjing-school.com for more information



Primary School Variety Show

**SAVE THE DATE FOR
THE PRIMARY SCHOOL VARIETY SHOW.**

WHEN: Friday 11th October, 2019

TIME: 8:10am to around 9:10am

WHERE: NIS theatre.

**A huge well done to all of the students who
auditioned for the Primary School Variety Show.**

**The Primary School Student Council audition
committee were very impressed with the confidence
and creativity shown at the auditions, and would
like to congratulate all of you for been such fantastic
risk-takers.**



<http://www.clipartkid.com/images/0/name-colorful-music-background-vector-illustration-280SPF-clipart.jpg>

Music in the foyer

Friday 27th September

Friday 29th November

Friday 17th January

Friday 13th March

Friday 15th May

When you come into school we invite you to enter school through the foyer (outside the library) and enjoy the live music from some of our PS students.

NIS Welcomed Visiting Artist, Mr. Edoardo Malagigi



On Wednesday last week, we had the pleasure of welcoming a visiting Italian artist, Mr. Edoardo Malagigi, into our Grade 8 Visual Arts class. With help from Sofia, our own amazing impromptu student translator, Mr. Malagigi generously shared the artistic intention behind his upcoming art exhibition in Nanjing. He showed us his planning sketches, construction diagrams, and photos of his 3D Pinocchio sculptures made of recycled materials. Mr. Malagigi's visit was a perfect fit for our Grade 8 students as we have just started a 3D papier-mâché sculptural unit using recycled materials as well.

After Mr. Malagigi's presentation, students created their own Pinocchio sculptures out of recycled materials. Students had a choice of working individually or collaboratively within a group of their own choosing. Through the process of artmaking, they came up with creative ideas and problem-solving methodologies that built upon their prior knowledge of 3D structural support (and new knowledge of papier-mâché), while adding their own personal touches to the sculptures at the same time.

Overall, Mr. Malagigi's visit was a wonderful experience for our Visual Arts students. We are looking forward to the opening of his art exhibition next month and the possibility of exhibiting our own NIS Pinocchio sculptures there!



ACTIVITIES

Athletics

We wish our young Touch Rugby players lots of fun and excitement as they travel to Shanghai American

School this weekend to compete in the CISSA championships. We have 3 teams; 1 Junior team and 2 Seniors and we are sure they will have a great time competing against all the other Shanghai schools. Thanks to coaches Dutton, Zhang and Heckelman for their dedication to our young athletes this season.

As the Touch Rugby season ends so the Soccer begins for our Grades 5 & 6. They meet for the first time on Monday, so please encourage your child to come along and give it a try.



Service Opportunity

Service Opportunity for Students in grade 4 and 5.

We are searching for students to help sew pencil cases. Previous experience is not needed. Students will learn how to cut fabric and to sew using a sewing machine. These pencil cases will be sold during the Christmas Bazaar. The money raised will be donated to the Pfrang Association which allows underprivileged students to attend school. If you want to learn a new skill and help the Pfrang Association, please contact Ms Anna in the Activities Office.



Swimming



Aqua Aerobics has seen a great demand with nearly 20 participants. The moves are cool and so is the music, if you would like to give it a try come to see Katja Schubert at the Community Activity Office.



Our learn to swim program is now based on the American Red Cross which includes water safety and swimming skills. These classes are taught by our experienced coaches and swimming teachers. If you would like to know more about extra community swimming classes, come and see Kathrin Lammers in The Aquatics Office.

Updates

Coming up!

CISSA Touch Rugby @ Shanghai 20 – 21 Sep

NIS Volleyball Invitational @ NIS 21 Sep

Local Swim Meet @ NIS 21 Sep

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Who? G6-11 Parents

When? Wed., October 9th, 2019

What time? 8.10 am – 9.00 am

Where? Large Group Room

Why? To share information about our upcoming trips

Who? G5 Parents

When? Fri., October 11th, 2019

What time? After the Variety Show

Where? To be confirmed

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Chartwells



Dear Parents,

We would like to invite you for a food tasting on Wednesday Sep 25th, 2019. On this day, you are welcome to visit our Cafeteria, try out the food and share your feedback and suggestions with us. In order to manage operations properly, we will limit the number of visitors per food tasting session to 10.

If you would like to join, please send us your details (parent's name, contact number and your child's grade) to chartwells@nanjing-school.com and reserve your spot.

We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

Thank you!
Chartwells Team

Lunch Menu

<https://www.nischina.org/community/food-services/lunch-menu>



Community Events

<https://www.nischina.org/community/community-activities>



Swimming Pool Calendar

<https://www.nischina.org/learning/activities/athletics/swimming>



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

Coffee Morning - 8:15am

September 25th

Digital Citizenship Parent workshop G1-4 (following PTA Meeting) Sept 25th

PTA SHOP

PTA Shop Hours

Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00

Friday 2:30 - 3:30

- The **PTA Coffee morning** is on **Wednesday September 25th** this week at 8:15am in The Centre cafe. The PTA Coffee morning is a monthly meeting for parents and teachers to share information about current issues in our school.



At the PTA Coffee morning last month, our home-baking was very popular. The PTA will supply some baking, as well as coffee and tea, for the meeting this week. Please note that the Digital Citizenship Parent workshop (G 1-4 only) will follow the PTA Coffee Morning.



•The **PTA Shop** is selling handy, Nanjing-themed canvas bags which were designed by some of the NIS parents. These will sell-out quickly! Also, we are selling China-themed coasters which would make great gifts.

- **PTA Birthday Cupcakes**
Students and staff with an October birthday can enjoy cupcakes on **Wednesday October 9th**.
- **The Autumn Festival** is scheduled for **Saturday, November 2nd**. Event planning will begin soon. Parent volunteers are encouraged to help with the planning and at the event with Food, Games, Decorations, Volunteers and Tickets. Please consider joining the planning and as a volunteer for this FUN event! Please email us at ptapresident@nanjing-school.com if you want to join the group!

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 at ptapresident@nanjing-school.com

THE PTA PRESENTS

Food
and
Drinks

Trivia Night

Make
new
Friends

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH
7:00 - 11:00PM
CENTRE CAFE

Games
and
Fun

Dress code
smart
casual

100 ¥

INCLUDES FINGER FOOD & A WELCOME DRINK

TICKETS AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL:

WEDNESDAY SEP. 4, FRIDAY SEP. 6TH

MONDAY SEP. 9, WEDNESDAY SEP. 11, SEP. 13

MONDAY SEP.16, TUESDAY SEP. 17

MAKE YOUR OWN TEAM OR FORM ONE ON THE
NIGHT (6 – 8 PEOPLE)



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2019 JAZZ MUSIC FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL

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25 CONCERTS
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CHANGZHOU
WUXI KUNSHAN
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Friday & Saturday

DECEMBER 6TH & 7TH



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Christmas Market

AT ROYAL FAMILY GARDEN

6 XIAN YIN BEI LU, QIXIA, NANJING

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