



## PS Variety Show

**‘Difference is an essential aspect of human development in any form of learning’**

On Monday during our Professional Learning Day, Mr. Jacobson and Mr. Bratton led our teachers through a process of self-reflection and sharing based around the statement above, which is directly linked to inclusion. For teachers to be able to offer the best from the time they spend with our diverse group of learners at NIS, it is of value to consider their own assumptions and to look at how those assumptions compare to current research, as well as the perspectives of others.

At NIS, we do not hire a specific type of teacher. We believe that a diverse group of teachers should mirror some of the diversity we see in our student population. Although, English as the taught language of inclusion means that the vast majority of our teachers are from outside Asia, it does not mean that they themselves don't have different learning styles, different assumptions about learning and different approaches towards interacting with students. One glance through our website may leave you with the impression that the only things all the teachers at NIS have in common is years of experience and high-level qualifications. That is not the case. We purposefully look for teachers who believe that inclusive practices encourage access to and participation in learning for all.

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Our approach to academic rigour through our IB programmes encourages student agency. One key aspect of inclusive practice is to support students by teaching them how to advocate for themselves. When we acknowledge the fact that difference is an essential aspect of human development in any form of learning, we must embrace the idea that rigour is dependent on key factors coming together. One part is the individual student’s interests and abilities and the other part is a school’s capability to meet them there and take them beyond. This is what developing talent is all about.

Have an opulent October,  
Laurie McLellan  
[lauriemclellan@nanjing-school.com](mailto:lauriemclellan@nanjing-school.com)

**We are delighted to welcome  
these three new students to NIS  
this week!**

Theo	K1
Erin	G5
Daniel	G7

Upcoming Events:  
**The Upcoming Week is W9**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October**  
Gr11 ESS Field Work Excursion  
G12 EE/SE First Full Draft Due  
G12 Korean A Individual Oral  
Commentaries  
Field Trip - Gr11 ESS  
**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October**  
G12 Korean A Individual Oral  
Commentaries  
MYP Math Job-A-Like

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October**  
ASA Cycle 1 Ends  
G12 Korean A Individual Oral  
Commentaries

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October**  
Learning2 Pre-Conference @NIS  
G12 Math Studies IA final due  
G12 Korean A Individual Oral  
Commentaries

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October**  
**No School for Students**  
Learning2 Conference @NIS

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October**  
Learning2 Conference @NIS  
SSL Swim Round 1 @SH

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October**  
MS/US Production Camp  
SSL Swim Round 1 @SH



# Parent Leaving Notice

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR LEAVING FAMILIES

*Dear Parents,*

*This is a time of year when some of our families will be moving on from Nanjing, either returning to their home countries or embarking on their next overseas posting. To assist our planning for the coming semester please read and follow the exit procedure below. This information may have a direct impact on new families wishing to enter our school. Your help with providing this information as early as possible is much appreciated.*

*We understand that some parents are still unsure, but if **you** know kindly let **us** know as soon as possible.*

### **Exit Procedure**

- 1. Once you know you are leaving please send an email to [admissions@nanjing-school.com](mailto:admissions@nanjing-school.com) indicating your intention to leave and requesting any documentation that you may require. Let us have the name of your child or children, their current grades as well as your expected leaving date.*
- 2. Collect a clearance form from Reception, or download off the website.*
- 3. Clearance forms need to be completed for each leaving student.*
- 4. On the last day of school documents will only be handed over if we have received your completed clearance form.*
- 5. You can find information about the Transfer Procedures on our website on the Parent Portal <https://www.nischina.org/my-nis>*

*Here in Admissions we are always happy to help, so do drop by if you have any questions or concerns.*

*Thank you for your cooperation. We will be sorry to see you go!*

*Jiae, Jane, Lucy and Sue in Admissions*

# 3-Way Conferences Coming Soon!

On Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> parents and students will have the opportunity to meet with teachers about progress from Quarter One and goals for the rest of the semester and beyond. Sign-ups for these conferences will take place via Veracross between 12:00pm on October 16<sup>th</sup> and 12:00pm on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Quarter One reports will be available via Veracross at 4:00pm on October 21<sup>st</sup>. **Please note that October 23<sup>rd</sup> is not a regular school day. No classes will be held on this date.**

## Key Dates and Times

October 16 at 12:00pm	Conference Sign-up Opens on Veracross
October 21 at 4:00pm	Q1 Reports are available on Veracross
October 22 at 12:00pm	Conference Sign-Up Closes on Veracross
October 23 - All Day	3-Way Conferences Take Place

After registering, please remember to download your conference schedule. Once registration closes on October 22nd, you will no longer be able to download this important document from Veracross!

**For Mandarin translation requests in Middle and Upper School and for all other translation needs across all grades, we ask that you bring a translator to your child’s conference.**

Special note for PRIMARY parents: P.E., Design, Mandarin, and Performing Arts teachers will be available in their classrooms on the day for drop-in visits.

Please let us know if you have any questions. See you then!

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# Campus Access October 17-19<sup>th</sup>

NIS is proud to host Learning2 Asia, a major international conference with a focus on innovative educational practices, from October 17-19<sup>th</sup>. Because this is a large event, we ask that these guidelines regarding access to campus by parents and students be followed:



**Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>:** Regular school day for students and teachers until 3:00pm. After-school activities and athletics are cancelled on this date. All parents and students not participating in the conference should depart campus directly after school.

**Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>:** No school for most students. Regular school day for teachers and students participating in the conference. No access to campus beyond the Centre gates.

**Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>:** Most Community Activities run as usual. Parents and students are on campus for scheduled and supervised Community Activities, only.

**Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>:** Usual campus access guidelines apply.

Please contact Kasson Bratton at [kassonbratton@nanjing-school.com](mailto:kassonbratton@nanjing-school.com) with any questions.

**Many thanks for your cooperation as we welcome the world to NIS!**



**PARENT COFFEE MORNING**

# **ASSESSMENTS AND ACADEMIC HONESTY**

**IN THE MIDDLE AND UPPER SCHOOL**

**15 OCT 2019**  
**MSUS LGR**  
**08:15**

**PRESENTATIONS BY**  
**RUTH CLARKE**  
**(HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL)**  
**AND KATIE HAM**  
**(HEAD OF UPPER SCHOOL)**

**REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**





# ACTIVITIES

## Athletics

Good luck to our Volleyball teams as they travel to Shanghai for the SISAC Championships this weekend. Good luck also to our 20 Cross country runners who are travelling to compete in the CISSA Championships in Suzhou this Saturday. CISSA Table Tennis started this week with a big group of enthusiastic players, ably assisted by our two excellent student coaches, Winner and Sophia.



## Discover China

We will begin collecting passports or ID cards for our amazing Discover China adventures. If you do not need the travel document before the trip, please give them to the Trip Leaders before 21st October:

### Grade 5

Nanjing – by class

### Grades 6-7

Hangzhou – Mr Baker

Huangshan – Mr Dutton

Taishan – Mr Winstanley



### Grades 8-9

Beijing – Ms Fox

Moganshan – Mr Snyder

Shaolin – Ms Chen



### Grades 10-11

Xiamen – Miss Keus

Yangshuo – Mr Stevens

## Volunteers Needed

Sign up on Veracross:

Jazz Festival Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>  
ACAMIS Volleyball scorekeepers, Oct 24-26<sup>th</sup>

Sign up in the Activities Office:

Slideshow Maker ACAMIS Volleyball, Oct 25-26<sup>th</sup>



## PS After School Activities

Cycle 1 ASAs will end on Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup>.

A **DRAFT** copy of Cycle 2 ASA Catalogue can be viewed now on Veracross.

Cycle 2 sign-ups will begin on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 1.00 pm.



## Updates

### Coming up!

24 -26 October

ACAMIS Volleyball @ NIS

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There is always something happening on campus and in our community. Stay abreast of the latest by following the NIS Official WeChat Account.

**CONNECT .**



**NIS WECHAT**

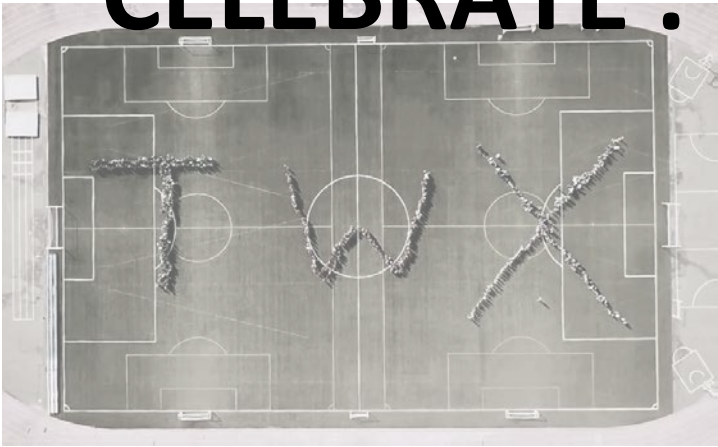
Get updated on news and upcoming events

**SHARE .**

Scan the QR Code to follow, and stay tuned!



**CELEBRATE .**







# Global Citizen Diploma

Launch Celebration  
for Middle School Parents  
Nanjing International School  
Performing Arts Centre

November 12, 2019

6:15 pm Refreshments

6:30 pm Start



Featuring Grade 9

My story is more than numbers.

Date: September 27, 2019	<b>Present:</b> (please refer to sign-up list)  <b>Apologies:</b> Dylan Barnes-Lotfi  <b>Minutes:</b> Katja Schubert	<b>Status of Agenda Item:</b>  For <b>Action</b> by Board = <b>ACT</b> For Agreement by <b>Consent</b> = <b>CNS</b> For <b>Information</b> Only = <b>FIO</b>
Time: 08:15am		
Location: Large Group Room, 3F, Centre		
Agenda Item	Discussion/Conclusions	Action + Person(s) Responsible
<b>1. Welcome</b>	Julia Guesten, Board Chair: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Parent and Community members thanked for their attendance and participation.</li> <li>- Katja Schubert confirmed as minute taker;</li> </ul>	
<b>2. Introduction of Board Members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction of each Board Member;</li> <li>- Explanation of governance and functions of the Board;</li> </ul>	
<b>3. Structure of AGM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A general introduction to the purpose and structure of AGM;</li> </ul>	
<b>4. Finances: 2018/19–Budget vs Actual</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Students actual 680; Expenses down vs. budget, revenue same as budget and a surplus of 1.8M up vs. budget;</li> </ul>	
<b>5. Approval of Annual Report including Financial Statement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Annual report and financial statement of the previous school year approved - 39 votes in favor;</li> </ul>	
<b>6. Approval of external Audit and of appointment of auditor for coming year</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Approved: 37 votes in favor with 1 abstention;</li> <li>- Deloitte approved as Auditors for 2019/20 School year 37 votes in favor with 1 abstention;</li> </ul>	
<b>7. Financial status</b>	Presentation Andrea Raviolo, Chair of Finance Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Budget for 2019-20, 21 students less than 2018/19</li> <li>- NIS is debt free</li> <li>- 5.4M accumulated surplus 2014-20 based on predicted deficit for 2019-20</li> <li>- Strategic Policy F4: NIS should make every attempt to maintain</li> </ul>	
	operating reserves equal or no less than 20% of anticipated budget expenses	
<b>8. Outlook for the coming years</b>	Presentation by Laurie McLellan, Director with respect to current and upcoming school year, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Teaching and Learning:</li> <li>- New Early Years Centre with expert coming this autumn to run EY conference for educators from around the region</li> <li>- Lowest teacher turnover for 10 years, which is very important for a stable school;</li> <li>- Implementation of Global Citizen Diploma this year for G9, next year G9 and G10 and then for G9, 10 and 11; NIS is the only school in China;</li> <li>- Special position added for 1 year to look at Data for Inclusion Facilities:</li> <li>- Updated HUB design;</li> <li>- Adult only bathrooms throughout campus (Child Protection policy); a child protection specialist from the UK will come for one week in November for an audit and information sharing for all school community</li> <li>- Redesign of G1-2, G3-4 and upstairs areas will take place simultaneously using same architects as used for Early Years and The HUB</li> </ul>	
<b>Minute taker's name: Katja Schubert</b>		

# 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**

**Wednesday 27th November**

**Birthday Cupcakes 9th**

**October**

## PTA SHOP

**PTA Shop Hours**

**Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00**

**Friday 2:30 - 3:30**

- **PTA Bags** if you have any PTA bags that you are not using, please return them to the PTA shop. We will use them to pack new orders. We would appreciate if you could return them this week, if possible! Thank you in advance for your help with our recycling initiative!



- **Saturday November 2nd : Autumn Festival**

Event planning is starting this week. The Autumn Festival is one of the major events planned by the PTA. Start thinking about your Halloween costumes to wear to this fun evening!

We need volunteers to help with the planning and at the event with Food, Games, Decorations, Volunteers and Tickets. Thanks to all of you who already signed up.

**Please email us at [ptapresident@nanjing-school.com](mailto:ptapresident@nanjing-school.com) if you want to join the group!**

- **PTA Birthday Cupcakes** were handed out last week on October 9th for teachers and students with birthdays in October - Happy Birthday! We hope that you enjoy receiving your cupcake as much as we enjoy handing them out!



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](mailto:ptapresident@nanjing-school.com)





# 节目单

## ‘同乐江苏’ 国际爵士音乐节

# 2019 JAZZ MUSIC FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL

# 18

OVER 60  
MUSICIANS  
WILL HOLD  
25 CONCERTS  
IN NANJING  
CHANGZHOU  
WUXI KUNSHAN  
TAIZHOU  
LIANYUNGANG  
IN JIANGSU PROVINCE

主办单位：江苏省人民政府新闻办公室

承办单位：江苏省文化馆 江苏新天地演艺有限公司 南京市文化馆

艺术指导单位：中国音乐家协会爵士学会

协办单位：中国江苏网 MAP杂志 南京激扬文化创意有限公司

南京音乐广播FM105.8 南京（秦淮、建邺、鼓楼、

栖霞、江北新区）、无锡、常州、苏州（太仓）、

昆山、泰州、连云港（灌云）、盐城（盐都、响水）

淮安（盱眙）、南通（海安）等市区文化馆

鸣谢单位：南京理工大学外国语学院

特别指定下榻酒店：南京苏宁玄武银河诺富特酒店

Organizer: Information Office of Jiangsu Provincial People's Government

Sponsor: Culture and Arts Center of Jiangsu Province  
JIANGSU NEW SPACE PERFORMANCE CO., LTD.  
Culture and Arts Center of Nanjing

Art Instruction: Chinese Musicians Association--Jazz Association

Co-sponsor: JSCINA.com.cn Map Magazine

Nanjing Jiyang Culture Creative Co., Ltd

NANJING MUSIC RADIO FM105.8

Cultural Centers in Nanjing (Qinhuai, Jianye, Gulou, Dixia,

Jiangbei New Area) Wuxi, Changzhou, Suzhou (Taicang), Kunshan,

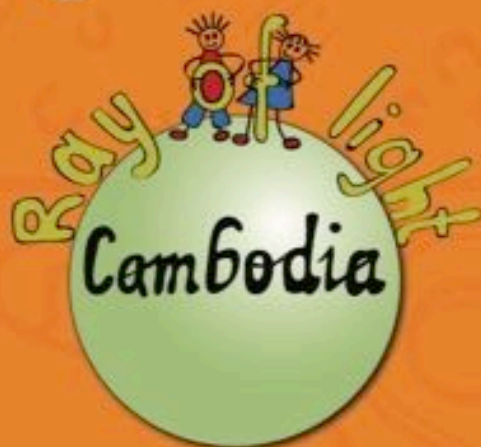
Taizhou, Lianyungang (Guanyun) Yancheng (Yandu, Xiangshui),

Huaian (Xuyi), Nantong (Haian)

Acknowledgement: Nanjing University of Science and Technology  
School of Foreign Studies

Specially Assigned Hotels: Novotel Nanjing East Suning





# Quiz Night

**OCTOBER 11, 2019 @ 7 P.M.**  
**AXIS MEXICAN RESTAURANT**

15 % off food and all night happy hour  
200 RMB per Team of 4 or less people

All proceeds help provide education to underprivileged children in Cambodia.





# 2019 “同乐江苏” 国际爵士音乐节演出时间、地点表

2019 "Shared Joy in Jiangsu" International Jazz Music Festival Perform Time and Place Schedule

日期 Date	乐队 Band	地点 Place	时间 Time
10月11日 (五) 11 <sup>th</sup> October(Friday)	比利时Evil Empire Orchestra世界音乐乐队 斯洛文尼亚Wild Strings Trio爵士乐队 比利时FISTON世界音乐乐队 美国密苏里大学-圣路易斯爵士乐队 江苏 JTA-Jazz Orchestra爵士乐团 德国Lateback爵士乐队 俄罗斯Bloomticket爵士乐队 奥地利Sprinkle Blizzard爵士乐队	南京文化艺术中心剧场 The Culture and Arts Center of Nanjing  开幕式演出 Opening Ceremony	19:15
	德国Lateback爵士乐队 俄罗斯Bloomticket爵士乐队	南京印度甘尼仕爵士酒吧 Ganesh Jazz bar of Nanjing	21:30
10月12日 (六) 12 <sup>th</sup> October(Saturday)	斯洛文尼亚Wild Strings Trio乐队 江苏 JTA-Jazz Orchestra爵士乐团 德国Lateback爵士乐队	南京市建邺区文化馆 The Theatre of Culture and Arts Center of Jianye District, Nanjing	19:00
	美国密苏里大学-圣路易斯爵士乐队 奥地利Sprinkle Blizzard爵士乐队 江苏 JTA-Jazz Orchestra爵士大乐团	南京国际学校 Nanjing International School	19:00
	比利时FISTON世界音乐乐队 俄罗斯Bloom ticket爵士乐队 中非联合V.O.P爵士乐队	南京市栖霞区文化馆 The Theatre of Culture and Arts Center of Qixia District	19:00
	奥地利Sprinkle Blizzard爵士乐队 江苏 JTA-Jazz Orchestra爵士大乐团	南京印度甘尼仕爵士酒吧 Ganesh Jazz bar of Nanjing	21:30
10月13日 (日) 13 <sup>th</sup> October(Sunday)	斯洛文尼亚Wild Strings Trio乐队 德国Lateback爵士乐队 江苏 JTA-Jazz Orchestra爵士大乐团	南京市鼓楼区文化馆 The Theatre of Culture and Arts Center of Gulou District 欢乐舞台 (江边路20号)	19:15
	比利时Evil Empire Orchestra 世界音乐乐队 奥地利Sprinkle Blizzard爵士乐队	南京市秦淮区文化馆 The Theatre of Culture and Arts Center Qinghuai of District, (1865创意园)	14:00
	德国Lateback爵士乐队 比利时FISTON世界音乐乐队	南京国际学校 Nanjing International School	19:00
	奥地利Sprinkle Blizzard爵士乐队 俄罗斯Bloom ticket爵士乐队	南京信息工程大学 Nanjing University of Information Science & Technology	19:15
	比利时FISTON世界音乐乐队 中非联合V.O.P爵士乐队	江苏省对外友好交流促进会 Jiangsu Association for Friendship and International Exchanges	14:30
	比利时FISTON世界音乐乐队 中非联合V.O.P爵士乐队	南京印度甘尼仕爵士酒吧 Ganesh Jazz bar of Nanjing	21:30
	奥地利Sprinkle Blizzard爵士乐队	南京艺术学院流行音乐学院 Nanjing University of the Arts (Pop music College )	19:00
10月14日 (一) 14 <sup>th</sup> October(Monday)	比利时FISTON世界音乐乐队 俄罗斯Bloom ticket爵士乐队 江苏 JTA-Jazz Orchestra爵士大乐团	南师附中秦淮科技高级中学 Qinhuai Technology High School of Nanjing	16:00
	比利时Evil Empire Orchestra 世界音乐乐队 斯洛文尼亚Wild Strings Trio爵士乐队	常州市文化馆 The Theatre of Culture and Arts Center in Changzhou	19:00
10月15日 (二) 15 <sup>th</sup> October ( Tuesday)	比利时Evil Empire Orchestra 世界音乐乐队 斯洛文尼亚Wild Strings Trio爵士乐队	苏州市昆山保利剧院(昆山文化馆) The Poly Theatre Kunshan	19:15
10月16日 (三) 16 <sup>th</sup> October (Wednesday)		无锡市文化馆 The theatre of Culture and Arts Center in Wuxi ( 无锡二泉广场 )	19:15
10月17日 (四) 17 <sup>th</sup> October (Thursday)		苏州太仓市文化馆 The Ttheatre of Culture and Arts Center in taicang	19:15
10月18日 (五) 18 <sup>th</sup> October(Friday)		盐城市响水县体育馆 The Stadium of Xiangshu	19:15
10月19日 (六) 19 <sup>th</sup> October(Saturday)		连云港市灌云县文化馆 The Theater of Guanyun ( 潮河湾风景区 )	9:00
10月19日 (六) 19 <sup>th</sup> October(Saturday)		盐城市盐都区文化馆 The Culture and Arts Center in Yandu ( 世纪公园 )	19:15
10月20日 (日) 20 <sup>th</sup> October(Monday)		南通海安市大剧院 The Theatre of Culture and Arts Center in Haian	19:00
10月21日 (一) 20 <sup>th</sup> October(Monday)		泰州市文化馆 The Theatre of Culture and Arts Center in Taizhou	19:00
10月23日 (三) 20nd October(Monday)		连云港市文化馆艺术剧院 The Art Theatre of Cultural and Art Center in Lianyungang	19:00
10月24日 (四) 20nd October(Monday)		淮安市盱眙文化馆 ( 大剧院 ) The Theatre of Cultural and Art Center in Xuyi	19:00

注：以上演出时间和乐队会有变动，以当天演出时间为准。

# Save the Date

*Friday & Saturday*

*DECEMBER 6TH & 7TH*



*FOR THE INCREDIBLE*

## Christmas Market

AT ROYAL FAMILY GARDEN

6 XIAN YIN BEI LU, QIXIA, NANJING

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