



Little Shop of Horrors

Show Time – Little Shop of Horrors

It's that time of year when campus becomes so busy with different events. It's great to be active and engaged. We hosted a group from the local Education Department on Thursday. It is only when one leads a tour of the school that you realise how much is going on both during the school day and beyond. What struck me when talking about the learning at NIS was not just the diversity of opportunities for our students but also the amount that goes on beyond the school day. Some of the topics that naturally come in to the conversation were the use of our swimming pool beyond the curriculum, the activities teachers lead with students after school, the weekend use of the campus where we host the Korean and Japanese schools as well as the children from the Ting Ting Deaf school that were in the Early Years play area this weekend and finally the upcoming School Musical. Their questions were about who built the sets? Parent volunteers and staff. Who plays the music? Teachers and students. Who directs the play? Students and teachers. When does this happen? After school and on weekends.

I guess my message is that when you go to one of our shows, and this one is amazing, you look at the students and you are filled with pride. However, we should never forget that this is a team effort involving students, teachers, staff and parents. In other words, this is our community. I am so proud to be part of it.

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School Fees Collection Dates

Dear Parents,

Please be informed that Nanjing International School has issued invoices for Semester 2 of School Year 2019/2020 on Friday 11th October 2019.

All parents have received an email with the JPG invoice attached and are responsible for payment of the fees. **The fee must be paid by 29th November 2019.**

When appropriate, please pass this information to your company's Finance or Human Resources Department and arrange for the payment to be made by the due date. You can also view your child(ren)'s school fee invoice in Veracross from October14th. The instructions are below:

1.Log into Veracross Parent

Portal: <u>http://portals.veracross.com/nis</u>

2.Click "Billing/Invoices" to view the Billing Account Page 3.Click "View " to view and "Print to PDF" to save the invoice as a pdf file

Please contact me if you require further assistance.

Regards Arek Owczarek Deputy Director-Operations and Finance <u>arekowczarek@nanjing-school.com</u>

Upcoming Events:

The Upcoming Week is W15

Tuesday 26th November Sports Celebration Evening PTA Coffee Morning Thursday 28th November ACAMIS Table Tennis @Beijing NIC Benefit Concert Tech Rehearsal Friday 29th November ACAMIS Table Tennis @Beijing Gr12 EE/SE Final Deadline Support Staff Appreciation Day Total School Fees Due Saturday 30th November ACAMIS Table Tennis @Beijing NIC Benefit Concert @NIS NIS Basketball Invitational

Library Notice

The library will be closing early on Friday, November 29, at 2:45 (14:45) for a school function.

PRIMARY PE SHOWCASE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29 @ 8:05 - 8:40

THIS YEAR WE WILL BE HOLDING A MORNING OF FUN ACTIVE GAMES FOR ALL OF OUR STUDENTS TO SHOWCASE STUDENT LEARNING IN PE.

PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND AND SEE HOW WE DEVELOP:

- A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY,
- GROSS MOTOR SKILLS,
- CORE STRENGTH
- PROMOTE MANY OF OUR LEARNER PROFILE ATTRIBUTES.



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Stuck in the Middle

How does our approach to parenting influence our children's behavior? Come and join us to explore various parenting styles and how to adjust them to support your child's needs.

Parenting Styles:

What is your style?

What works and what doesn't?



When: Tuesday, November 26th @ 8:15

Where: Large Group Room

Who: Middle School Counselor, Lance Yuen



ACAMIS Cross Country



We left after school at 4:30. We were all very excited to go to Chengdu for cross country. We arrived at the hotel around 1:30 in the morning with very little sleep. We woke up only 6 hours later. We arrived at the school. We walked the tracked as a big group just to get use to the field. We had a relay running team. Everyone does 2.5km. It was fast and exhausting. We came

first place in the relay. The next morning U14 girls ran. Nele came in first place. Then in the U14 boys run, we did really, really well. Morgan came in second place and Darcy with third place. Chloe being the only U19 girl to compete in for NIS did extremely well with placing fifth. The U19 boys race there were 31 boys racing. This was highly competitive with some exceptional runners. I came third place. It was an amazing weekend and I hope to see you all next year!



Written by: Cameron



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CISSA Junior Boys Team



The season finished with our boys doing a fantastic job in this year's CISSA tournament in Shanghai. We travelled with only 7 players (two students could not make it for medical reasons - we missed you guys), so we knew we needed to play smart and make use of great team effort. In the end, we won two matches out of six, but our student players showed great improvement since the beginning of the tournament till the very end. They also showed resilience, sportsmanship and team spirit. It was a delight to see them communicate with each on the field, cheer each other up between games and, ultimately, taking care of each other.

CISSA Soccer Boys have had a wonderful season this year. Through the season we grew in numbers and developed our skills. Believe it or not, for some of them this was their very first time they tried soccer, but thanks to Coaches Diogo and Pierson, our young players started their practices learning the basics, and they finished the season having shown great determination in learning new drills and tactics, and they have expanded their circle of friends.



If on top of this you add the fact that they were perfect ambassadors of our School on and off the soccer pitch, we should be proud of our NIS CISSA Soccer. Till next year and... Go LIONS! (Coach Bahilo)







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CISSA Girls Jr. Soccer Team



to the regional tournament in Shanghai November 15th and 16th.

Beyond their patience and perseverance with each other during their games, each member of the team found many moments to share laughter and smiles throughout their time together.

Many thanks as well to our Team Manager Evan, who was always there to encourage and help the team, and as well to our supportive parents for their cheers and snacks! Three cheers for the CISSA Girls Jr. Soccer Team for a fun filled 2019 season together!

Over the course of the season the girls in 5th and 6th grade trained every Monday and Wednesday honing their skills, developing teamwork, and most importantly embodying the true spirit of camaraderie at NIS.

The girls played two games, one home, and one away with our neighbors at BSN before heading





See you next season! Coach Dodge



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ACTIVITIES



Athletics

We had yet another fantastic weekend of sports last weekend! Our soccer players travelled to Shanghai to compete in the CISSA championships where all 3 teams had a great time and made excellent progress in both their team and individual skills. Meanwhile our cross-country runners travelled all the way to Chengdu for their final event of the season, the ACAMIS Championships. Through some amazing performances and lots of personal bests, yet again, our athletes not only came 1st and 2nd in the relay race but also came away as ACAMIS champions, this time tying with the school from Dalian. Well done to all our runners and to coaches Bratton and Galaty!



ASA News

Cycle 2 ends – Thursday, Dec 12th Cycle 3 registration – Tuesday, January 7th from 1pm Cycle 3 begins – Monday, January 13th New Activities offered in Cycle 3:

- Water Colour Painting
- o Brain Box
- Word Games
- o Games, games, games
- o Brain Break Dance Party

Updates

Coming up!

28 – 30 November: ACAMIS Table Tennis, Beijing 6 – 7 December: CISSA Table Tennis, Shanghai

Swimming

19 swimmers ages 9-12 swam at Dulwich College Suzhou (DCSZ). Our swimmers swam exceptionally well earning a few heat-winner ribbons and obtaining personal best times.

Parents provided tremendous support to our little Lions and coaches are proud of their swimmers' improvements.

The next big upcoming swimming event is the NIS Invitational meet held at our pool. Sign-ups are open now. Twelve schools are expected to participate.

We look forward to seeing everyone swimming. Please support us at this meet on December 7th/8th.





Volunteering Opportunities

Please sign up on Veracross to help with Scorekeeping or the NIC Benefit Concert.

Contact us: dannyclarke@nanjing-school.com kathrinlammers@nanjing-school.com cac@nanjing-school.com



ACTIVITIES

Service Awards!

Students are invited to apply for awards offered by ACAMIS.

The Koerschen and Service Learning Awards were created by ACAMIS Board of Directors to support student efforts in community service. US\$10,000 are available each year for Service Learning Awards. The Koerschen Award was created to honor Dr Jim Koerschen, and develop awareness of his desire to reach out and help the needy in our surrounding communities while learning from the creativity, organization and volunteer effort involved.

NIS has received two service awards in the recent years:

- \$1000 USD for raising the awareness of touch rugby in the local community (2017)
- \$1500 USD for Knitting for a Cause, students knit hats that are donated to Pfrang Giving Tree (2019)



The Awards are meant for intended projects so a project

does not have to be completed, just describe the concept according to the guidelines. For information, please visit the ACAMIS website: <u>https://www.acamis.org/student-activities</u> or stop by the Activities Office for more information.

Cultural Convention 2020

Join students from all over China in the 2020 ACAMIS Cultural Convention! For 2 fun-filled days in Suzhou, you can participate in the following workshops:

Drama – devising with masks Dance – modern ballet Singing Soul band Percussion Group Visual Arts and Mindfulness Escape rooms, Puzzles and Games Photography Robotics



This event is hosted by Suzhou's International School (SSIS) and will take place on February 28 and 29th. Please sign up in the Activities Office before December 4th.

Contact us:

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Grades 2 to 5 Production (Friday March 6th, 2020)

The Circus

Audition lines have now been handed out to all of those students who have signedup to audition for a main cast role in grades two to five. If your child has signed up to audition please can you encourage them to practice their lines ready for their audition.

The singing part of their main cast auditions started this week, and will continue into next week in their Performing Arts lessons. Good luck to all of these students.

Reminder:

Those children who do not get a main cast part but do a great audition may be given one of the smaller roles, along with their grade role.

We are very keen to use the talents of our parents, so please e-mail us, or come and see us personally if you have any skills that you are willing to share.

Please click on the following link to find out more information about 'The Circus':

http://share.nanjing-school.com/pypperformingarts/grade-2-to-5production/

9 school weeks to go!

Ms. Heidi (Director) – <u>heididean@nanjing-school.com</u> Mr. Norbraten (Assistant Director) – <u>tyenorbraten@nanjing-school.com</u>

Pfrang Fund Raiser



Noah, Leo, Charlie, Tom and all the 4th and 5th graders that made pencil cases and pouches

Hello,

Would you like to own a lovely pencil case or pouch that was handmade by a NIS student?

I'll tell you more!

We are a group of 4th and 5th graders who have spent many lunch times working hard sewing these lovely products for you. On Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th November, we will be selling them at the Christmas Sale which will take place in the foyer outside the library. Please visit us and buy your favourite one. All the money that we make will go to a charity that is The Pfrang Association.

We look forward to seeing you. Thank you.

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 <u>admissions@nanjing-school.com</u> 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 <u>https://www.nischina.org/my-nis</u>

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

Dear Parents,



We are writing to inform you that cases of verruca warts have been reported recently. These are not dangerous but can be contagious.

Verrucae are caused by a virus that enters the skin through tiny cuts or scrapes. Verrucae are commonly spread through the surface of swimming pools decks and showers. Since most people build immunity to the virus with age, verrucae are more common in children than in adults.

Verrucae tend to develop on the soles of the feet, are white, often with a black spot in the center, tend to be flat rather than raised, and can be painful. To protect your child, do not let them share personal items, keep their feet dry whenever possible, make sure any cuts or scratches are covered up, and check their feet regularly. You might not be able to prevent that first verruca, but you can stop your child developing more and/or infecting others. When treating a verruca, your pharmacist will have several safe treatment options available. The school nurse can also provide swim socks at school, if needed.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact school nurse.

Sincerely,

Nurse Ellen nurse@nanjing-school.com

Lunch Menu

https://www.nischina.org/community/foodservices/lunch-menu

Community Events https://www.nischina.org/community/community-activities

Swimming Pool Calendar

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









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



NIS WECHAT

Get updated on news and upcoming events



Scan the QR Code to follow, and stay tuned!





WEEK 14

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 Cupcakes: Lotus Needham Klysner Bulletin: Georgina Christensen **PTA Shop :** Therese Turesson Catherine Meyer Yao Cenq

PTA EVENTS

Coffee Morning - 8:15am Wednesday 27th November Birthday Cupcakes 13th November

PTA SHOP

PTA Shop Hours Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00 Friday 2:30 - 3:30





 PTA & Chartwells co-operation event - lunch learnings! Ensure that your child understands how the set menu works. There are a choice of 5 different main courses each day and the student can get more of the main course for free. In addition to the main course, the price of the set menu includes soup, a drink (like juice), salad and dessert (like fruit or yoghurt). And one more piece of advice from the team is to always remember

your card so that the queue can move faster.

Thank you to Chartwells & the volunteers who assisted with this project.

- IMPORTANT PTA Primary Dance CHANGE OF DATE! The new date is Thursday 5th of December. Tickets are on sale from Monday 25th November - Wednesday 4th of December. Please see the poster for further details.
- **PTA Coffee morning** is on **Wednesday November 27th** at 8:15am in the centre cafe. Come along to hear teachers and members of our community talk about life in our school.

To join the volunteer group for any of our PTA events, please contact Benedicte Thomasson, Yvonne Zollner, Gina Policellli or Sue Northcott. Or contact us on at <u>ptapresident@nanjing-school.com</u>

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Winter Bazaar Festive Holiday Gift Sale November 26 Gifts & Bake Sale November 27

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All proceeds will support our four local charities

Cambodia

Nanjing International Club Christmas Benefit Concert

Saturday, November 30, 2019 Hosted by Nanjing International School

Featuring: 18:00 - Festive Refreshments, Lucky Draw & Children's Games Santa in his Grotto 19:00 - Sing-a-long & Musical Performances

Tickets will be Limited to 500 and Distributed in Advance

Free tickets for NIC Members Non NIC Members: 100 RMB Adults & 50 RMB Students

Contact Sue Northcott (NIS) 138 0902 2693 for Info

No On-Site Parking





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All proceeds go to community charities.

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Royal Family Garden Christmas Market

6, Xian Yin Bei Lu, Qixia

Friday 6th of Dec 5 pm - 9:30 pm Saturday 7th of Dec 3 pm - 9:30 pm

Tickets on sale starting Friday Nov. 29th in the NIS centre foyer.

Tickets are 50 RMB incl. one complimentary drink Free for RFG residents and children under 4 years. Tickets are limited to 300 people each market day.

CASH ONLY

Two days of

International Food Stalls Activities for children Flavourful beverages Live seasonal music Artisan vendors Baked goods Beautiful decorations X-mas Spirit and MORE!

Inquiries: Lotus Klysner



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Ticket sales in NIS foyer

Friday Nov. 29th 7:30am - 8:10am & 2:45pm - 3:30pm Monday Dec. 2nd 7:30am - 8:10am & 2:45pm - 3:30pm Tuesday Dec. 3rd 7:30am - 8:10am & 2:15pm - 3:00pm Wednesday Dec. 4th 7:30am - 8:10am & 2:45pm - 3:30pm Thursday Dec. 5th 7:30am - 8:10am & 2:45pm - 3:30pm Friday Dec. 6th 7:30am - 8:10am.

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General market inquiries: Lotus Klysner