



Grade 2 Assembly

#### **Communication is Key**

作为学校,我们要做的最重要的事情之一就是交流正在进行的精彩的学习。当我们拥有强大的系统来支持和家长们就孩子们的学习进度进行沟通。这些沟通方式包括一系列的见面会、成绩单、颁奖大会、和进入教室的邀请,但是在本学年我们比以往更加有目的性的和家长们进行交流,并参与到针对我们整体教学计划的会议当中。为此,我们在本学年内迄今为止已经举办了35场以家长为中心的活动(平均每周两次!),从针对语言学习的家长论坛到探索青少年的大脑,以及关注屏幕时间和大学规划解释MAP测试和推出全球公民文凭。实际上,在即将到来的假期之前,我们还有另外两节课,分别是周一的扩展论文庆祝活动和下周三中学部的XFest。

除了我们喜欢和社区成员讨论NIS发生的大事以外,我们明白加强家长和学校之间的纽带是改善学生学习情况以及学生的社会、情感健康的有力杠杆点。如果您有机会参与到这些会议中的任何一个,我们希望很快能再次见到您。如果您还没有参与进来,请下次前来参加。当学生加入NIS的时候,他们的家庭就会成为我们学习社区中的一部分。这不仅仅是我们说说而已,这些家庭才是使NIS成为学习和成长的特殊场所的重要组成部分。

Have a delightful December, Kasson Bratton kassonbratton@Nanjing-school.com

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저희가 학교로서 하는 가장 중요한 일들 가운데 하나는 바로 진행되고 있는 멋진 학습의 내용에 관하여 소통하는 것입니다. 학교는 컨퍼런스, 성적표, 시상식 어셈블리 및 교실로의 초대 등을 포함하여 아이의 발달 상황을 학부모님과 의사소통을 할 수 있도록 지원하는 강력한 체계를 보유하고 있습니다만, 이번 학사 연도는 저희 학교의 전체 프로그램의 요소에 집중하는 세션을 진행하여 학부모님과 소통하고 학부모님께서 참여하시도록 하는데 그 어느때보다 높은 목적 의식을 가지고 있습니다. 이를 위하여 저희는 현재 기준 총 35회의 학부모를 위한 행사를 열었으며 (평균 매주 2회)이는 언어 학습에서부터 십대 청소년의 뇌 발달에 이르는 주제에 관한 학부모 포럼에서부터 화면을 보며 대입 계획을 세우는 주제부터 MAP 테스트 관련 설명 그리고 글로벌 시민 디플로마 런칭행사까지 폭넓게 진행되었습니다. 실제로 저희는 다가오는 방학 전 두 번의세션이 더 계획 되어있는데, 다음주 월요일에 진행되는 EE 축하 행사와 수요일로 예정된 중등부 XFest 행사가 바로 그것입니다.

NIS에서 일어나고 있는 멋진 일에 관하여 저희 커뮤니티와 대화하는 기쁨말고도, 저희는 학부모와 학교 사이의 결속력이 학생의 학습은 물론사회/정서적 건강 증진에 있어서 강력한 지렛대 역할을 한다는 사실을 알고있습니다. 앞에서 언급된 세션들을 참여해 보셨다면 다음주에 다시 만나 뵐수 있기를 원합니다. 만약 이번 학기에 진행된 세션에 참여할 기회가 아직없으셨다면 다음 세션에 꼭 와 주시기를 바랍니다. NIS에 입학한 학생의가족은 저희 학습 커뮤니티의 일부가 되십니다. 이는 단순히 상투적인표현이 아니라 NIS를 학습과 성장의 특별한 공간으로 만드는 진정한요소입니다.

기분 좋은 12월 보내십시오.

**Kasson Bratton** 

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#### **WeChat Pay Available in School**

- Student's ID needed for WeChat Pay
- WeChat Pay at the Cashier's Window available for the following ONLY:
- Students' Activities
- Students' Bus
- School ID card
- o IB exam
- IT Equipment

WeChat Pay NOT available for the Community Activities and PTA related costs (Cash Only)

#### **Upcoming Events:**

The Upcoming Week is W17

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December
NIS Winter Concert
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December
ASA Cycle 2 Ends
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December
School ends @ 11am



#### accounts@nanjing-school.com

#### **Facility Notice**

The car park area will be closed from this Friday (6th December) after 15.00h until Sunday (8th December) due to NIS Swim Meet.

The Fitness Room on 3rd Floor in the Centre will be closed for the whole day on Saturday 14 December.

#### Bike parking area:

The bicycle and motorbike parking area will be closed due to maintenance and construction over the winter. Any bicycles and motorbikes left in this area after the 13 December will be disposed of.

Please collect them before that date.

Thank you for your co-operation. wendyhuang@nanjing-school.com

#### Access to school during Winter Break

Due to constructions, maintenance and cleaning work, the NIS Campus is closed.

Except for the following:

#### Fitness Room at the Centre level 3

- Standard Access Rules apply,
- Sign in/out at the Security Guard Room
- NIS ID card required
- Access through the Green Gym entrance.

#### Visitors by appointment Authorised Personnel

Thank you for helping us making NIS safer place, have a great holiday.

Arek Owczarek
Deputy Director - Operations and Finance
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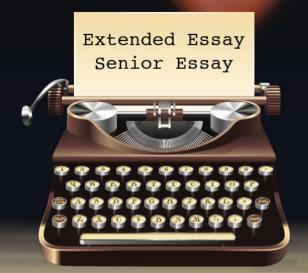
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# EXTENDED ESSAY 8 8 SENIOR ESSAY

**JOURNEY FOR OUR GRADE 12 STUDENTS** 

9 DEC 2019 08:30 - 09:30 PAC





PARENTS WARMLY WELCOME TO ATTEND!

katieham@nanjing-school.com

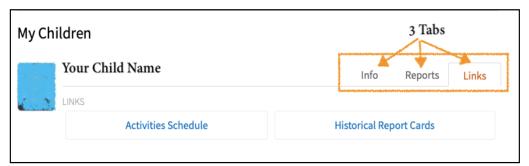


Grade 6, 7, and 8 will be sharing the projects they have been working on this semester. It is an opportunity for all members of the school to come and hear from the students about their learning.

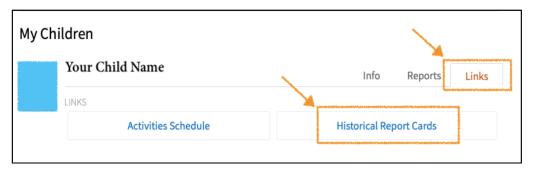
Everyone is welcome!

#### **How to check Historical Report Cards for Your Child(ren)**

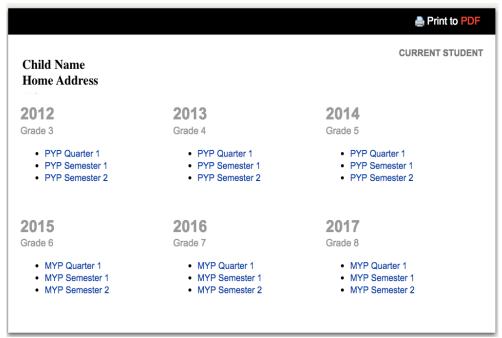
- 1. Login Veracross Portal: <a href="http://portals.veracross.com/nis">http://portals.veracross.com/nis</a>
- 2. Please follow the steps blow:
  - Go to the "My Children" section which is under the "Upcoming" Calendar, where you can see three tabs: Info, Reports and Links



- Click on the "Links" tab
- 3) Find "Historical Report Cards" link



3. A new window will open and show you all the historical report cards. You can click on each link to check your report. Click "**Print to PDF**" to save your report as a PDF file.



If you have any question, please contact Cindy: cindykong@nanjing-school.com



#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### **Athletics**

A huge congratulations to our ACAMIS Table Tennis team who travelled to Beijing last weekend and had a fantastic showing across the boys, the girls and the mixed competitions. They performed with great pride and determination and a special mention to the girls who, despite being a player short of a full team, managed to achieve a third place trophy. An amazing achievement! Thank you coaches Lietz and Kuan!



Meanwhile here at NIS we hosted 7 schools at our annual Invitational Basketball tournament whilst entering 3 teams of our own; 2 boys teams and 1 girls team. The growth of our players from the start of the day to finish was evident and credit must go to our great coaches Barder and Romero.



#### **Coming Up**

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January: Start of season for CISSA and ACAMIS Badminton and Junior CISSA basketball

7<sup>th</sup> January: ASA sign ups on Veracross open at 1 pm. 10 – 11 January: SISAC Basketball @ Shanghai and Suzhou

16 – 19 January: ACAMIS Basketball @ Shenzhen

#### **Community Activities**

#### LAST WEEK

There are just a few more lessons left for the first semester. Last one will be in the week of January 13<sup>th</sup>.



For the new semester you need to register again. Registration on Veracross will be open from January 6th 8am until January 15th 4pm. We will start then with the new cycle on February 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Swimming**

Our NIS swimmers had a valuable session on time management and efficient study skills at the pool. This came in really handy as exams are coming up at NIS. Mr. Trevillian and Mr. Fischl gave great advice, while grade 12 students Felicity and Maria shared strategies on what works best for them.







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



#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### **New ASAs and Clubs WANTED!**

Start off 2020 by running an activity for the Primary School or Club for the Middle School! We are always looking to add more amazing opportunities for our students. Both MS/US students and parents are welcomed to run activities for our students.

We would really like to be able to offer more sports for the Primary School and more Cultural Activities for the MS/US.

So why not come share your passion? Stop by the Activities Office for a chat and we'll help you organise the venue and the material.

Cycle 3 Catalogue can now be viewed on Veracross.

Sign ups will begin on January 7<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm.





#### **ManageBac Deadline**

Please note that Service as Action, CAS and volunteering entries with descriptions, goal, outcomes, evidence and reflections are due before

January 10<sup>th</sup> 2020, before 8 am.

Minimum Requirements		
grade 6-9	1 exp. + SA	
grade 10	2 exp. or 2 SA	
grade 11	3 exp. or projects	
grade 12	2 exp. or projects	





## **ACAMIS Table Tennis**



The ACAMIS Table Tennis team traveled to Beijing on November 28th to culminate the 2019 season.

The tournament provided an opportunity for our seven ACAMIS players to put their skills to the test after a season of training.

This year the tournament was held at Keystone Academy. There were more than 30 girls and 60 boys participating from ten different school across China.

The mixed team competition was new this year. Our team made up of two boys and two girls had a strong showing and qualified to the knockout stages, finally succumbing to the eventual mix team winners WAB.

In the singles tournament. Every NIS player had positive results and manage to achieve multiple victories. Alice finished top 10; narrowly missing out on the knockout stages after being tied on points. Seongmin ended up in 13th position after making it to the top pool. He had a fantastic match versus the eventual 2nd place winner, who bested him in the third set in deuce.







Finally, in the team competition our three girls had to forfeit one doubles and one singles match, starting off with a deficit of 2.5 points. Undeterred, they battled hard for all the remaining points.

Their grit paid off and Alice, Alina, and Sophia came back to Nanjing with a 3rd place trophy!







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## Important Information about Travel Documentation

Since August 2019, the Activities Office has already organized overnight trips for students. In the new year, we have many more exciting events and tournaments planned.

In order to plan these trips, it is important to have the students' current travel info. We have the documentation used for Discover China. However, if your child has since been issued a new paspsort, visa or ID card, please send us photos.

Please follow these simple steps to update the travel information on Veracross:

#### **FOREIGN** passport holders:

#### Step 1:

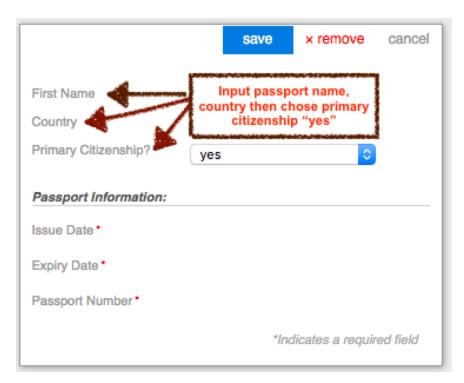
Log into Veracross via https://accounts.veracross.com/nis/portals/login

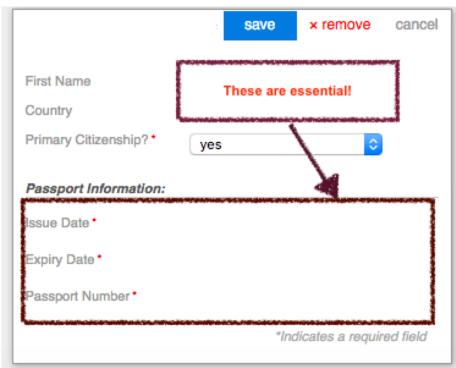
Go to "Update Family Profile" then "Citizenships & Passports"



#### Step 2:

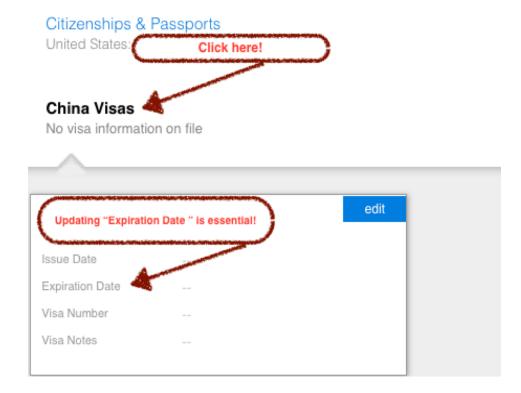
Add or update passport information:





#### Step 3:

#### Add or update China visa information:



#### **China PR Card Holders:**

If your child holds a 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. Please ensure that it is valid. If a new card has been issued, please send the Activities Office a photo.

the sample is shown as below:



#### Hongkong, Taiwan & Macau Citizens

HONG KONG, MACAU and TAIWANESE students MUST use Chinese Government issued ID card as the ONLY form of valid travel document for trips on China Mainland. If you have renewed the ID card since November 1<sup>st</sup>, please send the Activities Office a photo of the new ID Card.

Please see the samples below:





#### **Chinese Students**

Children have Chinese ID cards, we have had the photos records from Discover China Trip in Activities Office, If you have renewed the ID card since November 1<sup>st</sup>, please send the Activities Office a photo of the new ID Card(front+ backside).

Please see the Chinese ID Samples:





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 <a href="mailto:elaineliu@nanjing-school.com">elaineliu@nanjing-school.com</a>

NIS BOARD – MEETING				
Date: November 27th 2019 Time: 6.30pm Location: Board Room	Present: Andrea Raviolo, AR; Dylan Barnes-Lotfi, DB; Julia Güsten, JG; Laurie McLellan, LM; Patrick Heckelmann, PH; Sonia Jaeger, SJ; Yi Zhang, YZ; Angela Romero, ARo.  Apologies: Rachel Shin	Status of Agenda Item:  For Action by Board = ACT  For Agreement by Consent = CNS  For Information Only = FIO		
	Guests: Luiz Mello, Chris Galaty Minutes: Angela Romero			
Agenda Item	Discussion/Conclusions	Action + Person(s) Responsible		
1. V2.2020 – Strategy Team	Strategy Team members shared the updated school Strategy with the Board - moving from the original Little Book of Nanjing from 2016 to V2.2020. Suggestions were made to ensure clarity of language for all stakeholders.	FIO		
Director's Report	Laurie presented the report.	FIO		
Governance Meeting     Minutes – Oct & Nov	Dylan presented the minutes of October and November meetings.	FIO		
	Board decided to attend EARCOS rather than Hanoi for training in 2020.  The Director's Goals for 2019/2020 were approved by the Board.	CNS		
4. Finance Meeting Minutes	Andrea presented the minutes. The provisional budget for 2021/2022 was approved by the Board.	FIO CNS		
5. Communication/ Marketing Task Force Report	Laurie presented the report. The Board supports the recommendations from the task force to strengthen the Communication and Marketing team to implement a plan which encompasses external marketing, use of website and social media for communication, training and developing community ambassadors, internal communication design and building and supporting a NIS alumni association.	CNS		
Set next meeting dates	Finance: Feb. 17, 6:30 pm Governance: Feb. 11, 8 am Board: Feb. 19, 6:30 pm Director's Evaluation: Jan. 21, 8 am	FIO		
7. Meeting Reflection	Members reflected positively about the meeting.	FIO		
8. Director Contract	The previously agreed on new Director contract for Laurie McLellan (August 2020- July 2027) was formally signed by both parties.	FIO		
Minute Taker's Name:	Angela Romero	ı		



11 Dec 2019 in M251 3:30 - 4:15 Featuring: Middle School Band \* Rock Bands Choirs \* Soloists





#### Grades 2 to 5 Production (Friday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020)

I would like to say a huge well done to all of the children that were great risk takers and auditioned for the main cast.

The main roles have now been cast, and they are:

Ringmaster 1	Agatha Pizzolito (5A)	
Leo the Magnificent (the lion tamer)	Daniel Maciejewski (3A)	
*Hercules (Strongman)	Eason Du (5A)	
*Hercules assistant 1	Sophia Kim (4C)	
*Hercules assistant 2	Zofia Yuen (4B)	
Professor Zigflea	Elsa Li (5C)	
Professor's assistant	Ceci Zambelli (4C)	
Madame Simone (Dog Trainer)	Carrie Chen (2B)	
Luigi (the human canon ball)	Danielle Pan (4A)	
Biffo (the knife thrower)	Gianna Brown (4A)	
Biffo's assistant	Coco So (4C)	
Elephant trainer	Iris Zhu (5C)	
Elephant trainer's friend	Tom Dean (5B)	

This week we have continued to read through our grade's script and run through our spoken lines and songs. All of the additional roles have been cast, and the characters with lines in each grade have been given out during Performing Arts lessons based on the auditions that took place last week.

All song lyrics, choreography and lines will be made available on the PS Performing Arts edublog http://share.nanjing-school.com/pypperformingarts/grade-2-to-5-production/

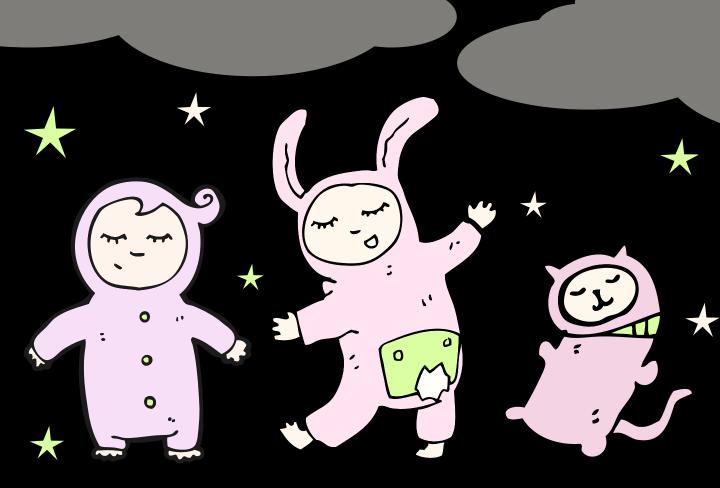
We are very keen to use the talents of our parents, so please e-mail us, or come and see us personally if you have any skills that you are willing to share.

## 7 school weeks to go!

Ms. Heidi (Director) – heididean@nanjing-school.com

Mr. Norbraten (Assistant Director) – tyenorbraten@nanjing-school.com

## AN NIS PRIMARY SCHOOL PRODUCTION



THE PRIMARY STUDENT COUNCIL IS SPONSORING

## PAJAMA DAY

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019

LET'S HAVE FUN AND PROMOTE SCHOOL SPIRIT BY COMING TO SCHOOL IN YOUR COZIEST PAJAMAS!

IT'S A REGULAR SCHOOL DAY, ONLY SOFTER.

BABY, IT'S COLD OUTSIDE, SO DRESS WARM!

FOR GRADES PK-5

QUESTIONS? ASK MRS. ROMERO IN THE LIBRARY

## 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 <a href="https://www.nischina.org/my-nis">https://www.nischina.org/my-nis</a>

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

## 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**

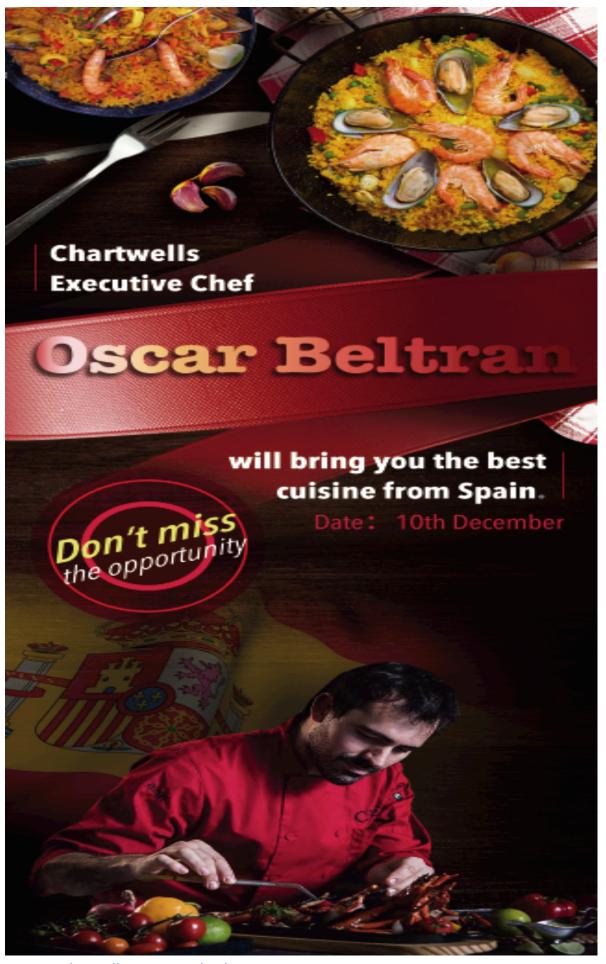
Get updated on news and upcoming events



Scan the QR Code to follow, and stay tuned!







chartwells@nanjing-school.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 Cupcakes: Lotus Needham

Klysner

Bulletin: Georgina Christensen PTA Shop: Therese Turesson Catherine Meyer Yao Cenq

#### **PTA EVENTS**

Coffee Morning - 8:15am

Wednesday 22nd January

**Birthday Cupcakes 8th January** 

(for January birthdays)

#### **PTA SHOP**

**PTA Shop Hours** 

Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00

Friday 2:30 - 3:30

#### PTA Shop

The PTA Shop is open on **Tuesday 10th December** for the last time in 2019. Stock up on NIS beanies and scarves to stay warm! Also, the PTA Shop has a range of Chinese-themed gifts - very helpful for those looking for something special to take friends and family at Christmas!



#### International Day

If you are traveling to your home country over the holidays, think about bringing back some items to prepare for International Day on **Saturday 18th April 2020**. For example: food, flags, costumes, etc.

#### PTA Cupcakes

Happy Birthday to all staff and students with a January birthday! You can collect your birthday cupcakes on **Wednesday 8th January**.

#### PYP Dance

Thank you to all volunteers who helped with the PYP Dance which was held on **Thursday 5th of December**. The children had a really fun evening!

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 <a href="mailto:ptable-red">ptable-red</a>, red in 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 <a href="mailto:ptable-red">ptable-red</a>, red in 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 <a href="mailto:ptable-red">ptable-red</a>, red in 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 <a href="mailto:ptable-red">ptable-red</a>, red in 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 <a href="mailto:ptable-red">ptable-red</a>, red in the volunteer group for any of the volunteer group for a property of the ptable group for a ptable group f

Welcome and thanks to everyone for attending - Benedicte (PTA President).

- 1. Bénédicte: Welcome and thanks to everyone for attending. Thank you to all the parents, teachers, staff and students that have helped us with our accomplishments we couldn't have hosted these fantastic events without your help!
- 2. Laurie McLellan: Shout out to Bénédicte for the incredible work she's doing to bring everyone together and hosting wonderful, inclusive events.
- 3. Ruth Clarke: Tim Garesh (ex child protection UK police officer) visited NIS to look at our Child Protection processes and procedures. A reminder to everyone to wear your ID tag this is the simplest and most effective way of keeping our children safe.
- 4. Gretchen Galaty: This is a very busy season so be mindful of your health. Safe travels. Please attend the "Stuck in the middle" workshops (see bulletin for further details).
- 5. Benedicte & PTA team upcoming events:
  - Support staff appreciation day 29th November. All will receive a gift card to say a big thank you. MYP dance 14th February (more details to come).
  - US dance 14th February at the Shangri-La Hotel. Tickets on sale in the US lounge.
  - NIS winter concert 11th December.
  - Future PTA coffee morning dates 21st January, 26th February and 25th March.
- 6. **Sue Northcott**: If you are leaving please drop by to ensure a smooth transition. Watch this space for details on the upcoming NIC Harbin trip on 22nd February. WeChat payment is now available (for some things) at the cashier.
- 7. Charities: Please give to the Pfrang Giving Tree in NIS foyer
- 8. PTA Birthday Cupcakes (Lotus): Birthday cupcakes are handed out once a month for the children and teachers. Please let your children know when they can get a cupcake (and when they do not get a cupcake!) so we can ensure that we have enough for everyone with a birthday that month! Dates are in the bulletin.
- 9. Christmas Market: Join us on Friday 6th December and Saturday 7th December for some Christmas spirit at the Royal Family Garden Christmas Market. See the posters for more details. All the proceeds will go to our 4 charities.
- 10. Bénédicte other business: The Primary School Forum is held once a month. Adam Dodge would like to know whether parents prefer the current scheduled time or an afternoon slot (before pick-up). Please write down any ideas for topics you would like to see discussed at future sessions. Contact Bénédicte or Adam for further information or questions.
- 11. International Day This event is held every second year and will take place on 18th April 2020. It is a great way to meet people and learn about different countries and their cultures. An organising committee will be formed and each country will have its own sub-committee to plan, set up and run the booth. If you are visiting your home country over the holidays you may want to bring back some items to prepare for this event.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jo Laycock (PTA Secretary)

## 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!

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