

Hangzhou International School · 2021-2022

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PAFA

Parents and Friends Association

HIS-Hangzhou



Welcome to

Hangzhou International School



Uniting more than 50 nationalities!



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What is PAFA?

什么是PAFA?



PAFA is a HIS community group that UNITES our DIVERSITY and promotes a STRONG POSITIVE environment.

PAFA成员是HIS整个社区里的每一位成员。
PAFA由HIS来自全世界各个国家和地区的成员组成。
我们鼓励大家在这里保持多样性, 以积极的态度面对一切。

All parents and guardians of HIS students,
faculty, staff members and administration are
automatically members of PAFA.

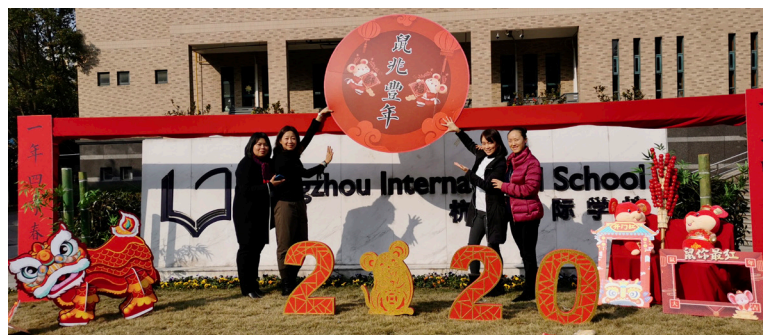
WE ALL play an **IMPORTANT** role on the
HIS campus.

所有的学生家长、监护人，
教职员工和学校的管理层都自动成为PAFA的一员
我们在这里都扮演着重要的角色



**YOUR involvement is extremely important.
Involvement does not have to be a full-time
commitment as any POSITIVE help
STRENGTHENS our school community**

每一位成员的参与都非常重要。
不一定要全天候的加入, 任何一次积极参与,
对HIS社区都是一种强化和帮助。



The current PAFA parent liaisons who in a leadership role coordinate and facilitate events and communication are:

High School: Rajni Aggarwal and Anuja Jain

Middle School: Renata Branham and Rubina Hiranandani,

Lower School Grade 3-5: Carmen Gu

Lower School Grades K-2: Connie Chou and Sophie de La Chaise

EY-PK: Rebecca Zhang Jing

PAFA Treasure: Katie Zhang

HIS Liasion: Andrea Stubbs

They are a volunteer body created with the aims of organizing school events inclusive of the community, sharing news and information from the parent community and support of school community activities. We will share more information with those interested to joining.

What are our goals?

- Encourage parent and community involvement
- Help coordinate programs outside of the provided curriculum
- Encourage participation by all without discrimination
- Work collaboratively with school leadership (including administrators, teachers, and staff) to foster a positive and productive school culture
- Raise funds to support various efforts that build our cumminty
- Connect parents & the school (especially new families) if parents do not know who to approach for help.

Together, HIS PAFA organizes events that are:

- inclusive
- for the whole school community
- by grade levels/departments (ECE/LS/MS/US)
- for parents, faculty and students
- with the idea of giving an opportunity to the community to be together and not to fundraise/make money
- inside/outside of the school

School organized events:

- Coffee mornings
- Welcome back BBQ
- Parent's social events
- Winter fair
- Chinese New year festival
- International Day
- Dragon Run
- Curriculum Nights

HIS PAFA organized events examples:

- PAFA Luncheons
- International Day Country Booths
- LS and US "Bake Shares"
- LS Dances/Movie nights
- LS Talent shows
- School decorations for festivities
- Family Picnics/hikings/day trips by grade levels/classes
- Teacher Appreciation Day

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Below, an example of a PAFA committee, and like them, **EVERYONE** can coordinate an **ACTIVITY** that brings the HIS community **TOGETHER!**



HIS PAFA (Parents and Friends Association) builds a solid foundation that unites our diversity and fosters a positive, cohesive community. We all are PAFA and your participation plays a big part in the success of our children.



Renata S Branham
Chair
Indonesia
Grade 8



Zohar Chemouny
Israel
Grade 6 & 8



Rajni Aggarwal
India
Grade 7 & 12



Yohama Davila
Venezuela
Grade 8



Henriette Barbier
France/Congo
Grade 7, 8 & 12



Kyung Yun Son (Kristine)
Korea
Grade 5 & 8



Aman Chang
Taiwan Prov.
Grade 9



Katie Zhang
Singapore
Grade 7

Meet the HIS PAFA Luncheon Committee

2021 - 2022



We will arrange social gatherings for all parents and alumni to meet, get together and have fun.
www.his-china.org/support/pafa

Supporting our families with the transition:

Hangzhou International School is committed to supporting students, parents, and staff with mobility within and between schools. We are sensitive to the difficulties faced by our school community during transitions. We endeavor to support all members of our community to ensure that they arrive, orient, integrate, and depart well.



We are partners with SPAN (Safe Passages Across Networks), FIGT (Families in Global Transition), and Globally Grounded, who guide our organization and procedures relating to transitions. These organizations create a network between international schools to address the emotional issues and needs of individuals. People learn best when they are safe and emotional support extends from within schools to between schools. As such, Hangzhou International School is one of the first three pre-pilot schools to participate in becoming a certified Safe Passage School.

The key to a good arrival is a good departure, no matter where you go in the world.

For questions regarding transitions and getting involved with a program, please contact:

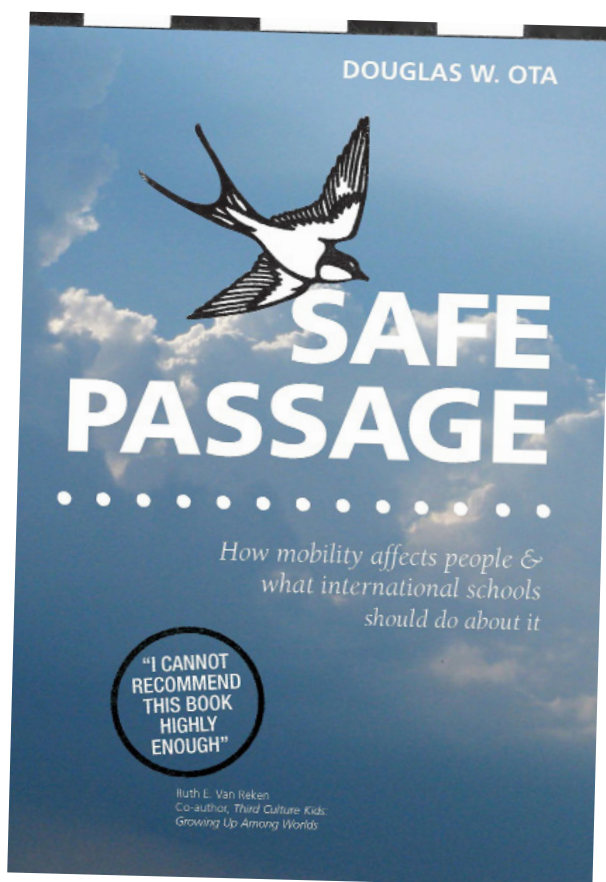
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Safe Passage Across Networks at HIS

The HIS community, students, parents, and faculty have participated in on-site transitions workshops with Douglas Ota and worked through a book study of his book, *Safe Passage*. It provides information about students, teachers, and community members' roles in arriving, staying, and leaving international communities. "Moving is one of life's greatest challenges."

Firmly grounded in psychological theory and cutting-edge neuroscience, *Safe Passage* maps the challenges and charts a course for individuals, schools, and accrediting bodies to navigate them. Although primarily focusing on international schools, the hopeful message within this book reaches into any school, university, or organization where human beings come and go.

We encourage you to read this book, which is available at the HIS library to borrow.



Counseling and school psychologists:

Some students benefit from meeting with a counselor as difficulties arise, whereas others need more ongoing support. Additionally, in order to meet the social-emotional needs of all students, classroom counseling lessons are a proactive way to directly teach the skills needed to develop friendships, cope with stress, handle conflict, and deal with other challenges that may arise at school.

Ryan Bull-Beddows is the Upper School Guidance and College Counselor to HIS as well as being a School Psychologist. Dr. Bull-Beddows is available to support students in Upper School with social, emotional, behavioral, or academic needs.

Lora Lee is the Lower School School Psychologist and Counselor. She is also available to work with students individually or with groups as well as providing cognitive and academic assessments.

Depending on the specific area of need, he can provide individual and group counseling, cognitive and academic assessments, parent consultation, and support within the classroom.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES STAFF:

- Nada Werner - Director of Student Support Services
- Ryan Bull-Beddows - School Psychologist & Counselor
- Lora Lee - School Psychologist & Counselor
- Kylie Willoughby - Speech & Language Therapist

UPPER SCHOOL:

- Katie Foster- Learning Support & ESOL
- Dominique Bull-Beddows - Learning Support & ESOL
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LOWER SCHOOL:

- Simon Dobson - Learning Support & ESOL
- Lainie Chandler - Learning Support & ESOL
- Patricia Shomo - Learning Support & ESOL
- Andrew Lawrence - Learning Support & ESOL
- Laura Perez - Learning Support & ESOL

For more information, please contact studentsupportservices@his-china.org



Remember,
we are ALL here to
SUPPORT you!

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