

Singapore, 17 June 2022

Parents Information SSiS #7

Dear Parents,

There are some school years that just flow by; they bring with them the typical tasks that are just as much a part of school life. On the other hand, there are special school years – this was a very special school year. HBL, virtual meetings, compulsory masks, CV-19 tests, keeping your distance yet still being with each other - the challenges that this year presented to all of us were immense. We did it together, this very special year!

The children, the parents and the colleagues - together we have overcome the challenges. We have also achieved many beautiful things and life at the SSiS is slowly returning towards normality:

We look forward to our new students and parents; teachers are already looking forward to the first day of school for our little ones.

During the holidays, parts of the school will receive a new coat of paint and there will be minor renovations.

We are particularly looking forward to the Summer Night Event, which can take place again for the first time since 2019.

Have a wonderful summer break!

Start of the new school year

- **German and French as a Foreign Language Support (DaF/FLE): DaF/FLE-Support** for P1 to P4 starts in the first week of school (15.8.22-19.8.22) according to the timetable.
- **English Support (ES):** ES for existing students will start from 15 to 19 August 2022 onwards. New students will start ES from 29 August to 2 September 2022. The ES teacher will contact all existing parents directly before the summer holidays, and details will be communicated to them about the lessons accordingly. New students will be first evaluated by the English teachers and if they do require English Support, the parents will be informed by email with the necessary information. ES for P1/2 will take place on Wednesday afternoons (1.45-3.20 pm) and for P3/4 on Monday afternoons (1.45-3.20 pm).
- **Full Day Offers (FDO)** for LT/PGI will start on 15 August, and PGII/KG will start on 16 August onwards.
- **Extra-Curricular Activities (ECA):** The booklet with our ECA offer for the first semester of 2022/23 will be available on our [website](#) on 17 June, 6pm. The registration period for the courses is from 11 July to 22 July and will be done via SchoolsBuddy. Semester (1) ECAs start from 29 August 2022 and run until 20 January 2023. More information on ECA registration will follow closer to the registration date.
- **Registration for the Language Preparation Course for the Transition from Primary to Secondary School for P5 and P6** will start Monday, 20 June 2022 on SchoolsBuddy and end on 1 July 2022.

- **EC and Primary Timetables:** The EC and Primary timetables for school year 2022/23 will be made available online 27 June 2022.
- **Lunch Service:** SSiS offers lunch service for all children who have activities at our school in the afternoons (eg. Extended lessons, ECAs, DAF, FLE, ES, FDOs). Since ECAs start in the third week beginning 29 August 2022, there are **two separate registrations** for the lunch service. More details on the lunch registrations will follow at a later date.

Registration 1 for Lunch Service on SchoolsBuddy will open on 22 July 2022 and end on 1 August 2022. This registration is for lunch service during the first two weeks of school. Registration 2 for Lunch Service on SchoolsBuddy will open on 5 August 2022 and end on 12 August 2022. This registration is for lunch service from 29 August 2022 until 20 January 2023.

- **Timeline**

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| Fri, 17 June 2022 | ECA booklet with all courses for semester 1 is <u>online</u> |
| Mon, 11 July 2022 | ECA registration via SchoolsBuddy starts |
| Fri, 22 July 2022 | ECA registration via SchoolsBuddy ends |
| Fri, 22 July 2022 | Registration 1 for Lunch Service (period:15 to 26 August 2022) starts |
| Mon, 1 August 2022 | Registration 1 for Lunch Service (period: 15 to 26 August 2022) ends |
| Tue, 2 August 2022 | ECA confirmation to parents |
| Fri, 5 August 2022 | Registration 2 for Lunch Service (period: 29 August 2022 to 20 Jan 2023) starts |
| Fri, 12 August 2022 | Registration 2 for Lunch Service (period: 29 August 2022 to 20 Jan 2023) ends |
| Mon, 15 August 2022 | First Day of School |
| Mon, 15 August 2022 | Start optional Full Day Offer (LT/PGI) |
| Tue, 16 August 2022 | Start optional Full Day Offer (PGII/KG) |
| Fri, 19 August 2022 | Start language preparation course P5/6 |
| Mon, 29 August 2022 | Start of ECAs semester 1 2022/23 |

Introduction talk new students/parents - class teacher

The introduction and information talks will take place on the 10, 11 and 12 August 2022. New families will be contacted by email by 4 July 2022 at the latest to make appointments. During the visit, there is the possibility to buy the school uniforms.

Primary: School Material First School Day

In order to be prepared and perfectly equipped for the first day of school after the summer break on Monday, 15 August 2022, please refer to the **attached school material list** for all primary classes.

Parents Evenings in August/September 2022

The class specific parents' evenings provide the opportunity to meet the respective class teachers in order to build a good relationship and learn more about class specific topics.

Each parents evening will start with a general introduction with the Principal and then will continue separately with the Class Teacher. Details will follow in August.

The parents' evenings will take place on these days:

- 31.08.22: EC Little Tots and Playgroups
- 01.09.22: P 5/6 A, B, F
- 06.09.22: KG A, B, F
- 07.09.22: P 1/2 A, B, C, F, G
- 08.09.22: P 3/4 A, B, F

From the SSiS Committee

We are happy to announce that from August 2022, **Julia Waters** will join the SSiS Committee as a coordinator. Julia is a mother of three boys, who attend SSiS. She is a Swiss citizen and a Singapore permanent resident. Her family arrived from Geneva 6 years ago and since her children started attending SSiS in 2019, she has been involved in the community as a class representative and with the parents' forum. As an expat child herself, Julia has lived in 4 continents and has been exposed to many different cultures. Her experience in the corporate world, but also as a volunteer firefighter and a coach, has equipped her with a wide range of unique skills that will be precious to the committee and its strategic mission. Julia Waters will replace Christin Kos, who is leaving for Switzerland.

SSiS would like to thank Christin for her dedication and her commitment. In the last 4 years, she contributed a lot to the school, first as part of the Parents Forum and then as a member of the Committee. She will be missed and we wish her and her family all the best for the future.

From the SSiS Parentsforum

The Parents Forum Board would like to thank all Class Reps, volunteers and helpers for their engagement and help with our community during this school year. Unfortunately, many of the planned events could not take place this year due to the challenging situation we were in. We are certain we will be able to make it up together with all of you next year.

- **Welcome Coffee:** The traditional "Welcome Coffee" organised by the SSiS Parentsforum will take place on Friday, 19 August 2022. More information will follow soon. We will invite new parents directly. This is an informal event and great opportunity to meet new and existing parents, make new contacts, ask questions and exchange valuable experience.
- Please note that the Parentsforum is collecting your children's **old uniforms** again. Kindly drop them off at the school office. They will be sold during the "Welcome Coffee" in August. Proceeds from the sale will go to the charity committee's fund. Thank you very much!

Library

Holiday break and want something to read? The library makes it possible for bookworms to enjoy their passion for reading during the long summer break. Students are allowed to borrow ten books for the summer. All books should be returned in **good condition** to the library in the first week after the holidays. And to all the children who are leaving, please return your books before the last school day. Thank you!

Renovation Works

The school will undergo the following renovation and maintenance work during the summer:

- Repainting external walls of Block A and Block C
- Inner office renovation
- Roof waterproofing of Block A

ACSIS

Being the smallest member of the Athletic Conference of Singapore International Schools (ACSIS), we are proud to offer our students and families regular sports activities free of charge. The mission of the Athletic Conference of Singapore International Schools (ACSIS) is to provide student-athletes with an opportunity to compete in a broad and balanced inter-school athletic program that is an optional but integral part of their educational experience. Win or lose, the ACSIS schools will encourage student-athletes to provide a winning effort, exhibit sportsmanship, and demonstrate respect for all.

Our ACSIS offer for the school year 2022/2023 is as follows:

| Season 1 Aug to Nov 22 | Season 2 Nov 22 to Feb 23 | Season 3 Feb to May 23 |
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| U9 Football, Training possibility in our ECA | U10&U11 Football | U8 Football, Training possibility in our ECA |

All ACSIS football games are played in round-robin mode, without table, ranking or medal. The focus shall be on the spirit of sport and the mission of ACSIS.

The ACSIS matches are usually played on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays. The bus will leave the school at 15:30 and return around 18:00. We will set up a WhatsApp group with all player's parents in which we will share the match information at a later date.

Please register your child from 25 July to 5 August at

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSexdtrv3keDNmKZGLMdQjOmYS9cUDyp0n1tdstlfd2oZwdsRA/viewform>

Information to be collected include:

- 1) First name of the player
- 2) Last name of the player
- 3) Date of birth of the player
- 4) Parent's WhatsApp number
- 5) Parent's name
- 6) Parent's email address

We will provide more information about the various offers, possibilities and dates before each season. Olliver Marx is the ACSIS rep responsible of our school. If you would have any questions regarding these sports offers, please contact him directly: acsis.sport@swiss-school.edu.sg.

Lessons

Kindly take note of the following timetable for calendar week 25 (20th to 24th June 2022). Lunch service will be provided for students who are staying for afternoon lessons during this calendar week.

On Thursday, June 23rd, 2022, all students will be dismissed from class at 12.50 pm. All children registered with the school bus service will be brought home with the 1pm bus.

| Class | Monday 20/06/22 afternoon | Tuesday 21/06/22 afternoon | Wednesday 22/06/22 afternoon | Thursday 23/06/22 afternoon | Friday 24/06/22 |
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| LT / PG I | YES FDO | YES FDO | YES FDO | All students go home at 12.50pm – No Lunch service No school / no afternoon activities SUMMER NIGHT EVENT | Summer holiday School is closed for the students |
| PG II / KG | NO ECA | YES FDO | NO ECA YES FDO | | |
| P1 / P2 | NO ECA | YES School | NO ECA YES E Support | | |
| P3 / P4 | NO ECA YES D Support YES E Support | YES School | NO ECA YES D Support YES F Support | | |
| P5 / P6 | YES School NO ECA | YES School | YES School | | |

Please take note of the changes in the afternoon of the last week.

Charity – Ten Feet Tall “Shoe Bank”

On Thursday, we kicked off the Ten Feet Tall “Shoe Bank” collection and we would like to thank you for donating already so many shoes! Parents who still would like to give away shoes, the shoe boxes will stay there until **Wednesday, 22th June 2022**. Thank you so much for your contribution!

Upcoming Events

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| TUE, 21.06.2022 | Presentation Yearbook |
| THU, 23.06.2022 | Last Day of the School Year – no Lunch Table |
| THU, 23.06.2022 | Summer Night Event |
| FRI, 24.06.2022 | No school – Start of summer holidays for students |

***** **SUMMER BREAK** *****

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| WED-FRI, 10-12.08.2022 | Introduction talks new parents with class teachers |
| THU, 11.08.2022 | Quartalsbrief class teachers - latest date |
| MON, 15.08.2022 | Start new school year, 8.30am |
| FRI, 19.08.2022 | Welcome Coffee Parentsforum |
| FRI, 26.08.2022 | Casual Friday |
| MON, 29.08.2022 | Start 1 st semester ECAs 2022/2023 |
| WED, 31.08.2022 | Parents Evening EC (Little Tots and Playgroups) |
| THU, 01.09.2022 | Parents Evening P 5/6 A, B, F |
| TUE, 06.09.2022 | Parents Evening KG A, B, F |
| WED, 07.09.2022 | Parents Evening P 1/2 A, B, C, F, G |
| THU, 08.09.2022 | Parents Evening P 3/4 A, B, F |

Upcoming Publications

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| TUE, 21.06.2022 | Distribution Yearbook |
| FRI, 4.09.2022 | Parents Information #1 2022/23 |

Have a great weekend

Yours Sincerely,
Marc Schumacher, Principal