

#### Parents Information SSiS #4

Dear Parents.

It is now less than one week to go until the Advent Celebration, which marks the last school day of this calendar year. The children have had an exciting week with Santa and 'Schmutzli' visiting them at school. Over the past weeks, they have been busy preparing for the Advent Celebration. We hope to see you all next Thursday evening before everyone rushes off for the well-deserved break and of course to finally celebrate Christmas with family and loved ones.

Please take a few minutes to read this information and get a short update on school life at SSiS.

#### Calendar week 50

Last school week before the Christmas break (10 to 13 December 2018)

Please take note of the special timetable for the last school week before the Christmas break:

- There will be no afternoon lessons on Thursday, 13 December 2018 (P3/4/5/6). All children will be dismissed at 12.50pm
- There are no ECAs in the last school week
- English Support and German Support classes will take place on Monday and Wednesday
- Afternoon Extension (PG II and Kindergarten) will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday
- The school is closed on Friday, 14 December 2018

#### Semester 2

#### **Extra-Curricular Activities (ECA)**

The booklet with our ECA programme for semester 2 2018/19 is available on our website. Registration for the courses is open from 7 January 2019 onwards. All ECAs start from calendar week 5 (28 January 2019) and run until Friday, 14 June 2019. Kindly note that there are no ECAs in the last school week of semester 2.

#### Afternoon Extension German (AE)

As our Afternoon Extension is running the whole year, there will be no changes.

### **English Support (ES) and German Support (DAF)**

All children who are involved in either the English or the German Support will receive a letter before the Christmas break, about whether there are changes concerning the support lessons in semester 2 (starting 28 January 2019). If you have any questions regarding language support, please contact your respective support teacher directly.

# Mittagstisch (lunch service)

SSiS offers lunch service for all children who attend classes at our school in the afternoon (regular lessons, ECAs, DAF, ES, Afternoon Extension). Registration for semester 2 is open on our website from 21 January 2019 onwards and will be sent out together with the confirmation of the ECAs.







# Summary: Timeline ECAs, English/German Support and Mittagstisch

Fri, 7 December 2018	ECA booklet with all courses for semester 2 is online	
Thu, 13 December 2018	Advent Celebration, no Mittagstisch, no afternoon lessons	
Fri, 14 December 2018	Information for all DAF/ES kids regarding language support in semester 2	
Mon, 7 January 2019	First day of school after Christmas break	
Mon, 7 January 2019	ECA online application starts	
Mon, 14 January 2019	ECA online application ends	
Mon, 21 January 2019	ECA confirmation to all parents	
Mon, 21 January 2019	Start of registration Mittagstisch (28/1/19 to 19/6/19)	
Wed, 23 January 2019	End of registration period for Mittagstisch in semester 2	
Mon, 28 January 2019	Start of ECAs for semester 2 2018/19	

### Advent Celebration, 13 December 2018

Only 6 days left to our Advent Celebration! We are slowly but surely getting into the Christmas mood and we hope you too! We are looking forward to enjoying Christmas stories, music and festive vibes with all of you at the Advent Celebration next Thursday evening.

Your child will take home an overview of all the stories and activities on Monday. Have a look at it together and let the Christmas spirit and joy spread!

Here is the latest information about our special evening:

### 6pm - 7pm

- ★Christmas stories, activities & bazaar
- ★ Drinks & food

This part is optional for our students.

### 7:30pm - 8pm

**★**Stage performance

All SSiS students perform on stage, so they all have to be at school latest by 7pm. There is no dress code.

### 8pm - 9pm

- ★Christmas stories, activities & bazaar
- **★**Drinks & food

This part is optional for our students.



> respective homerooms

KG → room A4 (Frau Clancy's room)

→ room B2 (Frau Brechbühl's room) P1/2

P3/4 → room B1 (Herr Betzler's room)

→ in front of the office P5/6

Band → staff room





#### • **VW Cup,** 1 to 3 March 2019

We are happy to participate in the VW Cup (indoor soccer tournament) again this year. Our ECA & ACSIS partner CUFA will train all three teams twice in advance and then accompany them on the match days. If you are interested, please <u>sign up here</u> until 31 January 2019. We look forward to a sportive and competitive football festival!

The matches will be played on the following days:

- Friday, 1 March 2019, 5pm-8pm: 12U (boys born 1/6/06 31/5/08)
- Saturday, 2 March 2019, 9am-12pm: 8U (girls & boys born 1/6/10 31/5/12)
- Sunday, 3 March 2019, 9am-12pm: 10U (boys born 1/6/08 31/5/10)

Our team trainings will be held on:

- U8 & U10: Fridays, 15 February 2019 & 22 February 2019, 3.30pm 5pm, Swiss Club Pitch or sports hall
- U12: Saturdays, 16 February 2019 & 23 February 2019, 10.30am 12pm, Rainforest Pitch Turf City

### • Pre-announcement of the SSiS Annual General Meeting, 31 January 2019

We cordially invite you to our 51<sup>st</sup> AGM on Thursday, 31 January 2019, at 7.00pm, at classroom A12. A separate invitation with the agenda will be sent out in the beginning of January 2019 via e-mail.

### Portfolio Fair, 15 February 2019

Please mark your calendars for this year's Portfolio Exhibition on Friday, 15 February 2019, from 9am-10am. On this day, the students will display the projects that they have worked on throughout the school year, and you are kindly invited to attend. You will find more details in our next parents information.

# Pre-announcement UWCSEA English Placement test for P6 students

The date for the English Placement test at UWC for our P6 students is Thursday, 21 February 2019. You will receive more details about the test closer to the date.

### School closed for the festivities

Please take note that the school office will be closed on:

In the Christmas break ...

- Monday, 24 December 2018 (Eve of Christmas)
- Tuesday, 25 December (Christmas Day, Public Holiday)
- Monday, 31 December 2018 (Eve of New Year's Day)
- Tuesday, 1 January 2019 (New Year's Day, Public Holiday)

# In the CNY break ...

- Monday, 4 February 2019 (Eve of Chinese New Year)
- Tuesday, 5 February 2019 (Chinese New Year, Public Holiday)
- Wednesday, 6 February 2019 (Chinese New Year, Public Holiday)





# **Upcoming events** (see also: <u>Semester Overview</u>)

13 December 2018	Advent celebration
7 January 2019	Welcome assembly; kindergarten to P6; 8.30am, Courtyard
9 January 2019	Invitation AGM and survey on student status school year 2019/20 will
	be sent out
18 January 2019	Open stage; P1 to P6; 10.30am, MPH
25 January 2019	Casual Friday
28 January 2019	Start school semester 2 / start of ECAs
28 January 2019	Class camp P5/6; 1 week; Telunas
31 January 2019	51st SSiS Annual General Meeting; 7pm
1 February 2019	Chinese New Year celebration; Little Tots & Playgroups; MPH
2 February 2019	Start CNY break; 1 week

# **Upcoming publication**

11 December 2018 Grüezi #2

25 January 2019 Parents Information #5

Please take note that from 5 January onwards Johannes Iten and I will be recruiting in Switzerland. Therefore, we will be back at school only on 21 January 2019. During this period, please approach Callie Wong if you have any requests.

Thank you very much for your trust and support throughout the year. We look forward to an open and fruitful collaboration in the coming year. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Yours Sincerely,

Markus Pallmann

Principal

