



Singapore, 6 December 2019

## Parents Information SSiS #4

Dear Parents,

It is now less than two weeks to go until the Advent Celebration, which marks the last school day of this calendar year. The children have had an exciting day 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 on the evening of Thursday, 19 December, 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.

### New Vice-Principal

SSiS is happy to announce the appointment of Murielle Quenzer as our new Vice-Principal starting next summer on 1 August 2020.

Murielle Quenzer is currently the class teacher of P1/2F in our inaugural French Stream. She was personally interviewed by our new Principal Marc Schumacher, who will also come on board in the school year 2020/21. As such, Murielle will be giving up her place as a class teacher to occupy the position of Vice-Principal in the new school year. Congratulations Murielle!

### Last school week before the Christmas break (16 to 19 December 2019)

- **Timetable**

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

- There will be no afternoon lessons on Thursday, 19 December 2019. All children will be dismissed at 12.50pm
- There are no ECAs in this week
- English Support and German Support classes will take place on Monday and Wednesday
- Both Full Day Offers will take place until Wednesday as per normal, no lessons on Thursday afternoon
- The school is closed on Friday, 20 December 2019

- **School closed for the festivities**

Please take note that the office will be closed on:

In the Christmas break ...

- Friday, 20 December 2019 afternoon (Staff Christmas)
- Tuesday, 24 December 2019 (Eve of Christmas)
- Wednesday, 25 December 2019 (Christmas Day, Public Holiday)
- Tuesday, 31 December 2019 (Eve of New Year's Day)
- Wednesday, 1 January 2020 (New Year's Day, Public Holiday)

In the CNY break ...

- Monday, 27 January 2020 (in lieu of Chinese New Year, Public Holiday)
- Tuesday, 28 January 2020 (in lieu of Chinese New Year)

- **Advent Celebration, 19 December 2019**

Only 13 days left to our Advent Celebration! The SSiS Team is slowly but surely getting into the Christmas mood and we hope you too! We are looking forward to enjoying the winter story of Wanja, festive music and jolly vibes with all of you at the Advent Celebration in two weeks time. Parking spaces at the school are limited, please plan your trip accordingly.

**Dress Code:** Children should come comfortably dressed, a red T-shirt will be provided to each and every child by the class teacher on the evening of the performance. Please note: This red shirt will be worn for the performance. The T-shirts will be returned to the class teachers after the performance.

6pm – 7pm	7:30pm – 8pm	8pm – 9pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Christmas Market</li> <li>★ Photo Booth</li> <li>★ Drinks &amp; Food</li> </ul> <p><i>This part is optional for our students.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Stage performance</li> </ul> <p><i>All SSiS students perform on stage, all have to be at school latest by 7pm. Dress Code: Red heart shirt (provided by SSiS)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Christmas Market</li> <li>★ Photo Booth</li> <li>★ Drinks &amp; Food</li> <li>★ Wanja's Disco</li> <li>★ Christmas Movie</li> </ul> <p><i>This part is optional for our students.</i></p>



**At 7pm all students meet at their respective meeting points:**

EC	→ respective home rooms
KG	→ room A5&A5a (Frau Richert)
P1/2 A&B	→ room A1 (Frau Kammler)
P1/2 C&F	→ room A4 (Frau Clancy)
P3/4/5/6	→ respective home rooms

## Semester 2

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

The booklet with our ECA programme for semester 2 2019/20 is available on our [website](#). [Registration](#) for the courses is open from today onwards. All ECAs start from calendar week 6 (3 February 2020) and run until Friday, 12 June 2020. Kindly note that there are no ECAs in the last school week of semester 2.

- **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 3 February 2020). 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, Full Day Offer PGI&KG). Registration for semester 2 is open on our website from 20 January 2020 onwards and will be sent out together with the confirmation of the ECAs.

- **Summary: Timeline ECAs, English/German Support and Mittagstisch**

Fri, 6 December 2019	ECA booklet with all courses for semester 2 is online, ECA online application is open
Fri, 13 December 2019	Information for all DAF/ES kids regarding language support in semester 2
Thu, 19 December 2019	Advent Celebration, no Mittagstisch, no afternoon lessons
<b>Christmas Break</b>	
Mon, 13 January 2020	First day of school after Christmas break
Tue, 14 January 2020	ECA online application ends
Mon, 20 January 2020	ECA confirmation to all parents
Mon, 20 January 2020	Start of registration Mittagstisch (3/2/20 to 17/6/20)
Wed, 22 January 2020	End of registration period for Mittagstisch in semester 2
Mon, 3 February 2020	Start of ECAs for semester 2 2019/20

- **VW Cup, 28 February – 1 March 2020**

We are happy to participate in the VW Cup (indoor soccer tournament) again this year. As written before, we will try to send one team per category, the best possible. Compared to all ACSIS seasons, where all interested players can play, this is the competitive tournament. Our ECA & ACSIS partner CUFA will select the team out of the players who will sign up and provide a preparation training before the match weekend. If you are interested, please [sign up here](#) until **17 January 2020**. We look forward to a sportive and competitive football festival!

The matches will be played on the following days:

- Friday, 28 February 2020, 5pm-8pm: 12U (boys born 1/6/07 - 31/5/09)
- Saturday, 29 February 2020, 9am-12pm: 8U (girls & boys born 1/6/11 - 31/5/13)
- Sunday, 1 March 2020, 1.30pm-4.30pm: 10U (boys born 1/6/09 - 31/5/11)

Our selection training for all three teams will be held on:

- Saturday, 8 February 2020, 10.30am - 12pm, Rainforest Pitch Turf City

The preparation training for the selected teams will be held on:

- Saturday, 22 February 2020, 10.30am - 12pm, Rainforest Pitch Turf City

- **New Date Portfolio Fair: 27 March 2020**

Please mark your calendars for this year's Portfolio Exhibition on Friday, 27 March 2020, from 9am-10.30am. On this day, the students will display 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 of the SSiS Annual General Meeting, 23 January 2020**

We cordially invite you to our 52<sup>nd</sup> AGM on Thursday 23 January at 7.00pm, at classroom A11. A separate invitation with the agenda will be sent out in the beginning of January 2020 via e-mail.

- **Pre-announcement UWCSEA English Placement test for P6 students**

The date for the English Placement test at UWC for our P6 students is Thursday, 20 February 2020. You will receive more details about the test closer to the date.

## Parentsforum

- **Minutes of the 2nd Meeting**

On Monday 2 December 2019, the second meeting of the Parents Forum took place. Events were planned, questions about the school were clarified and new ideas were created. You can find the minutes [here](#). Many thanks to all participants and a special thank you to our Parentsforum Board for organizing and leading this session.

## Upcoming events (see also: [Semester Overview](#))

13 December 2019	Casual Friday
19 December 2019	Advent celebration
20 December 2020	Start Christmas Break, 3 weeks
13 January 2020	Start School after Christmas Break
13 January 2020	Class camp P5/6; 1 week; Pulau Sibu
13 January 2020	Invitation AGM and survey on student status school year 2020/21 will be sent out
23 January 2020	51 <sup>st</sup> SSiS Annual General Meeting; 7pm
24 January 2020	Casual Friday
25 January 2020	Start CNY break; 1 week
3 February 2020	Start school semester 2 / start of ECA semester 2
7 February 2020	Chinese New Year celebration; Little Tots & Playgroups; MPH
12 February 2020	Welcome Coffee Parentsforum

## Upcoming publication

17 January 2020	Parents Information #5
22 January 2020	Grüezi #2

Please take note that from 4 January onwards Johannes Iten and I will be recruiting in Switzerland. Therefore, Johannes will be back at school on 20 January and Markus on 24 January 2020. 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

