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Very Few Responses to Parent Survey...so far!

With the email link to this bulletin there is also a link to the annual NIS parent survey. This is something that we will do every year around this time to get a sense of the parental community perceptions about our school. The survey should not take more than 10 minutes and is available in English and Korean. The survey will stay open for two weeks. As of today there are only 51 responses to the survey in English and 12 in Korean. Please do it now.

Security

Members of our Operations Team met with police to discuss school security given the awful attacks that have taken place in some Chinese schools. We work in a cooperative manner with the police so that our students are safe on and off campus. Our guards have had some basic training and have been issued with pepper spray in the unlikely case that there was an incident. The new entrance to school has certainly helped our security.

In August when we have a closed campus with card access so we will know that our students will be even safer. The important thing for students is to make sure they feel like they are entering their campus which is open and safe rather than entering a 'security zone'. So far the response has been very positive.

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Upcoming Events:

Saturday 22nd of May
NIS Class of 2010
Graduation Ceremony

Tuesday 25th of May
Student Led Conference

Friday 28th of May
PYP Assembly

Friday 28th of May
Student Council Spirit Day

Monday 31st of May -
Friday 4th of June
Grade 10 Work Week

Friday 4th of June
Parent Coffee Morning
Jeff Day Art Exhibition

POOL RULES & REGULATIONS

The following POOL RULES are for the safety and comfort of all - PLEASE adhere to them or you may be asked to leave.

NO - Running

NO - Rough play

NO - Bombing

NO - Jumping or diving into the shallow area of pools

NO - Glass or sharp objects

NO - Spectacles allowed in the big pool

NO - Inflatables

NO - Food, drink or gum

Hygiene and health

1. Shower from head to toe before entering pool

2. Appropriate swim attire required (no outdoor footwear on pool deck)

3. Shoulder length hair or longer must be tied back or put up in a swim cap

4. Infants & toddlers must wear tight fitting plastic swim pants or swim nappies

5. Children must be changed in the locker room - not on pool deck

Risk management

1. Swimmers under 12 years old require active supervision by an adult swimmer (parents not ayi)

2. Lifeguard supervision is for all users, not specific children

3. Immediate attention must be given to lifeguards whistle

4. Repeated long blasts of a whistle means clear the water. Exit swiftly, silently and safely. Listen for further instructions.

5. Injuries, incidents or maintenance needs must be reported to the supervisor / lifeguard

6. Swimming equipment must be used for its intended purpose - no standing on kick boards

7. Swimming aids and personal floatation devices (PFDs) are allowed - No large inflatables

8. Supervised jumping or diving is allowed in the deep end 2.1 M

9. Check the depth of the water and that the area is clear before entering

10. Return pool equipment to designated area

11. Shallow area of 25M pool is 1.2M deep for 12.5M then gradually sloping from 12.5M to a depth of 2.1M

12. The small pool slopes from 0M to a depth of 0.75M



Community Opening Hours:

Monday - Friday 6.30 AM - 8.00 AM & 3.30 PM - 6.30 PM

Saturday - Sunday 10.00 AM - 4.00 PM

Please exit the pool 10 minutes before closing

FITNESS ROOM

USER GUIDELINES FOR THE SAFETY & COMFORT OF ALL

- NIS Community members use only.
- Members are required to sign in and out each visit at the reception desk - including I.D. number.
- No person under 16 is permitted entry - unless under teacher supervision.
- Food is not permitted in the Fitness Centre - no gum is allowed.
- Appropriate attire is required at all times - T-shirt, indoor enclosed training shoes.
- Towel to be carried and used at all times.
- All equipment to be wiped down immediately after each use - cardio, weight circuit & free weights.
- Cardio equipment use limited to 20 minutes when busy - please be considerate of others.
- Weights to be returned to tree or rack after use.
- Weights may not be set against the wall, mirror, benches or other equipment.
- Weights or dumbbells may not be dropped on the floor or benches.
- Other members must be allowed to “work in” between weight sets.
- Safe practice must be adhered to at all times - use safety pins, no banging of weights.
- No intentional misuse of the facility is tolerated.
- Any malfunctioning or damaged equipment should be reported immediately to the reception desk.
- Please enjoy your workout.

Community Opening Hours:

Monday - Friday 6.00 AM - 7.00 PM

Saturday - Sunday 10.00 AM - 4.00 PM

Please note during school hours access may be limited due to student use - these times will be posted at
reception

ACAMIS FOOTBALL GIRLS

Thursday morning, the 22nd of April, the 11 girls participating in ACAMIS football came to school ready for their trip to Hong Kong.

We all had a great time in HK, even though the weather was forecast to be rainy, we had wonderful weather the whole weekend. Now, most of you will want to know where we placed. I'll proudly answer that we won the sportsmanship award. The team completely deserved the award after having endured rough matches and hard losses with great spirit and constant smiles on their faces.

SPORTSMANSHIP!

ACAMIS FOOTBALL GIRLS

Thursday 22 -

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Friday 23 -

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Saturday 24

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Against most of the schools we played strong, even though this was not reflected in the final results. The best game of the weekend was by far the last game against IST. We had already played IST the day before, and were ready to play them again. Initially it was a very balanced game. We had a large amounts more attacking plays, and the other team got many corner shots. These were all saved by our goalie, or blocked by our surprisingly strong defense. Marine was very agile and aggressive in her defensive play. Ju Hyun got right up to the other team players giving them no possible way through. Amanda was very nimble and dove to catch many of the opposition's shots. After many close shots from the other team, our team brought the ball up, passing between our tactical offense, Marie, Hannah and Lisa. With a wonderful strike Marie scored the first goal. As the game continued we witnessed many quick passes and moves by Georgia and Daniela. It was a very tense game and the score stayed at 1-0 right up until the last minutes of the second half. In a bold move the captain of IST, who had been goalie for the game, came out onto the field. In a dramatic turn of events, she scored with a header from a corner shot. With literally five minutes left, the game became a lot faster and stronger. Our offense was strong, there were some beautiful shots on goal from Daniela and Lucy. But the time passed, and it was still 1-1. Exhausted, we went into overtime, where we once again had many more attacks than the other team, sadly without success. Ju Hyun held off the few attacks that IST had. The score remained equal, until the last minute of the second half of extra time. The coaches, from both teams, were starting to draw up the players who would take the penalties. However, the stalemate was broken by IST when they scored from another corner. We lost 2-1. The very stressful game, which almost gave Mr Underwood a heart attack, was brought to an end. It was certainly a game to remember!

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES –TUESDAY, MAY 25th!

Student Led Conferences

Dear Parents,

Student Led Conferences are approaching. This is an opportunity for your child to share their learning with you. The conferences will take place on **Tuesday, May 25th 2010**. Your child will give you an invitation with a time for you to attend.

The Student Led Conference is compulsory. This is a compulsory regular attendance school day. Although there are no scheduled classes, students must attend WITH THEIR PARENT(S) OR A “SURROGATE” PARENT. Student Led Conferences are an important aspect of the IB Programmes and for developing your child’s ability to reflect on and communicate about their work and progress.

This is NOT a Parent-Teacher Conference. If, at the end of the Student Led Conference, you have some questions, please make an appointment to see the teacher concerned at a later date.

PYP students will be given a time for their Student Led Conference by their class teacher, MYP students can come in either the morning or afternoon and need to sign in and pick up a Student Led Conference Cover Page when they arrive.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the relevant Co-ordinator.

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Dear Parents,

The summer is a time of year when some 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 year please read and follow the exit procedure below. This information may have a direct impact on new families wishing to enter the school, so while we know some parents are still unsure, if you know please let us know at your earliest.

Exit Procedure

1. As soon as you know you are leaving please email jamesgarrett@staff.nanjing-school.com indicating your intention to leave and requesting any documentation that you may require.
2. Collect a clearance form from your child/ren's Homeroom teachers.
3. Clearance forms need to be completed, in the PYP the Homeroom teacher will assist with this in the MYP and DP this is the student's responsibility.
4. On the last day of school the Admissions Office will only release transcripts if we have received your clearance form.

Thank you for your considered cooperation,

James Garrett
Admissions Officer

REMINDER

Dear Parents,

Please be reminded that School Fees for next Academic Year are due by Monday 31 May 2010.

Keyboarding Stars!

Our students in grades 3-4-5 are developing keyboarding skills. With the increased use of technology in our world today, good "touch typing" skills are essential for effective computer use. Students should be practicing their keyboarding skills at home on the website "Typing Master Online" located at: <http://online3.typingmaster.com/tmonline3/login?id=mbzug42gv> Thank you to parents who are encouraging their child's development of this necessary skill.

When students are ready to try and pass a level they make arrangements with their classroom teacher or Ann Martin, our Educational Technology Integrator. During the test time, they must type **with their hands covered!** Students may practice a test at home to build their confidence and skills.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who have passed a keyboarding test:

<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>Suting Lin</i>	<i>Basic</i>	<i>22 WPM</i>	<i>71% Accuracy</i>
<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>James No</i>	<i>Basic Plus</i>	<i>15 WPM</i>	<i>91% Accuracy</i>
<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>Justin Choi</i>	<i>Basic Plus</i>	<i>19 WPM</i>	<i>77% Accuracy</i>
<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>Jaehyeok Choi</i>	<i>Intermediate</i>	<i>28 WPM</i>	<i>82% Accuracy</i>
<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>Raphael Manton</i>	<i>Intermediate</i>	<i>32 WPM</i>	<i>83% Accuracy</i>
<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>Evangelos Skaribas</i>	<i>Intermediate</i>	<i>22 WPM</i>	<i>84% Accuracy</i>
<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>Younhuck Kim</i>	<i>Intermediate</i>	<i>21 WPM</i>	<i>96% Accuracy</i>
<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>Aili Desai</i>	<i>Intermediate Plus</i>	<i>57 WPM</i>	<i>89% Accuracy</i>
<i>Grade 5B</i>	<i>Katinka Muller</i>	<i>Advanced</i>	<i>41 WPM</i>	<i>90% Accuracy</i>
Grade 5B	Donghan Son	Super Star!	42 WPM	95% Accuracy
Grade 5B	Michelle Gerke	Super Star!	69 WPM	97% Accuracy

Well done Grade 5B!

After-School Activities

Cycle 3 After-School Activities will recommence on Monday 24 May. However, please note that there will be no After-School Activities for PYP and MYP students on Tuesday 25 May due to PYP Student Led Conferences.

There may be individual arrangements for private Music lessons on this day. You should discuss this with the Private Music lesson coordinator, Mr George Zhang.

ASA Schedule

Week 35: Cycle 3 ASAs continue (No ASAs on Tuesday)

Week 36: Cycle 3 ASAs continue

Week 37: Cycle 3 ASAs continue

Week 38: Cycle 3 ASAs continue (ASAs Finish Friday)

Week 39: No ASAs (Last week of school)

Please Note: The Nanjing Zoo Enrichment Programme (G3-5) ASA has finished for the year.

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NIS Students to assist AMITY Foundation to raise funds for Environmental Protection Projects

If you can recall, last December approximately 40 NIS students took part in the AMITY Volunteer Carnival to raise funds for needy causes.

Once again our students are going to take part in a similar AMITY activity.

This time it is to raise money for Environmental Protection Projects.

The Purposes of the Activity

To assist the AMITY Foundation raise money for Environmental Protection Projects.

To allow NIS students an opportunity to relate to their local community.

The Activity will consist of the following:

1. Collecting English Books, games, and toys etc. prior to event.
2. Selling the items and also assisting with selling AMITY Bakery products at 1912.
3. Possibly other fund raising activities that students think of.

Date and time:

June 5 9.00am - 12.00 noon

Venue: 1912

Can you help?

The students would like to collect donations of the following:

- Toys
- Puzzles
- Games
- Simple English books
- Pictorial books

* Please do not donate clothes.

At the last carnival items that were useful for children's education were particularly popular.

We will collect during the next two weeks. Any items that you wish to donate can be left in the bins in "The Centre" foyer or given to the Activities Office, G213 second floor of "The Centre".

Thank you for any assistance that you can give.

Robin Hutchison
Activities, Community and Service
Coordinator

Summer Heat and Sun

Now that summer has arrived it is important to think about sun safety for students in the hot weather.



Sunscreen

Each PYP classroom has a bottle of sunscreen for children to apply before going outside for breaks.



Hats

We ask that parents send their children to school with a sun hat to wear to provide protection from the sun.



Water Bottles

It is important that children remain hydrated in the hot weather. The school has water coolers throughout the building. For convenience, and to save on the environmental impact of excessive use of plastic cups, we ask that students bring in a water bottle which they can refill as necessary throughout the day.

For more information about Sun safety have a look at the website below
http://kidshealth.org/kid/watch/out/summer_safety.html#

<http://www.sunsmart.org.uk/index.htm>

Derek Pinchbeck

PYP Coordinator

**JEFF
DAY
PAINTING
AND
SCULPTURE**

THIRD FLOOR GALLERY

THE CENTRE

NANJING INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2010

4 P.M. TO 8 P.M. WINE AND HORS D' OEUVRES

15% OF SALES TO BENEFIT PFRANG