



# SCIS Middle School Dragon Bulletin



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## Principal's Message ~ Tina Santilli

### MS Coffee Morning Thanks

Thank you to parents who attended this event last Wednesday, April 15. Your support and thoughtful feedback and questions help us to work together ensuring we are always improving the Middle School for your children.

### End of Year Events

Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup> -- MS Departmental Awards 1:30 in theatre

Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> -- Middle School Activities Day

Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

\*MS Talent Show at 8:15 AM (Theatre)

\*MS Promotion & Major Awards Ceremony at 1:30 PM (Theatre)

\*Grade 8 Student/Parent dinner at 5:00 PM (Cafeteria)

\*ALL MS Students – End of Year Formal Dance at 6:00 PM (Gym)

Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> – Yearbook distribution and student check out

Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – Report card distribution 11:30 AM dismissal

### Earth Day is Upon Us

*On Behalf of the Global Issues Network (GIN) Club*

Living in Shanghai we all have experienced first hand when economic growth is treated as a separate entity from the environment in which it depends on. The priority for massive economic growth in China has resulted in a sacrifice of environmental health, evident in the daily air pollution, the undrinkable tap water, the rivers we can't swim in, and even the quality of fruits and vegetables grown in contaminated soil. Wednesday, April 22nd is the global celebration of Earth Day. It is the official day where the world recognizes our dependence on the environment. We are asking students, faculty, and parents to honor and recognize the importance of Earth Day, by making a pledge, and committing to a full day of action that has a positive impact on the environment. Examples of such pledges may look like: Reducing energy consumption by not using a cell phone or computer for an entire day; keeping the lights off at your house all day and night; biking or walking to work or school instead of driving; not eating meat or fish; or limiting the time you spend in the shower. These are just a few examples. Ultimately, you want to choose a pledge that is important and challenging to you! With all this being said, if your child tells you not to make chicken for dinner, as they ride their bike out the door, leaving their cell phone on the table, now you know why! We hope that you support their pledges as they demonstrate their call to action for Earth Day.

### Middle School Activities and Athletics this week

**Monday:** BB Practice – Grade 6 girls (Coach Hope) and 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade girls (Coach Miro) 3:15-4:30 BB Practice – Grade 6 Boys (Coaches Kat and Nick) 4:15-5:15

**Monday Clubs:** Debate, GIN and Science club

**Tuesday:** BB Girls basketball games: Jr's (Grade 6) Away @ SSIS - Dismissal at 2:55 – bus leaves at 3:05 and return about 6:00pm C1 (7/8's) Away game @ BISS Dismissal at 2:55 – bus leaves at 3:05 and return about 6:00pm

**Wednesday:** 7/8<sup>th</sup> grade boys basketball practice. C2's (Coach Friesen) 3:15-4:15. C1's (Coach Howe) 4:15-5:15

**Thursday:** Boys Basketball games: C1 home game vs. LFS 3:45-5:00

C2 #1 Away @ YCIS No early dismissal needed bus leaves at 3:10 return 5:30

C2 #2 Away @ YCIS No early dismissal needed bus leaves at 3:10 return 5:30

Jr. Teams #1 and #2 Home Vs. LFS 3:45-5:00

**Thursday Clubs:** Math Counts and Ceramics

## Upcoming Events

### April 25

MathOlympiad @ SCIS

### May 4-8

China Trips

### May 22

MS Production of the *Orphan Train*

### May 23

PAFA Picnic

### May 28 & 29

Lipgloss Dance Show @ 6:30pm

### June 2

US Music Concert @ 6:30pm

### June 4

US Music Concert @ 6:30pm

### June 5

Market Day & Yard Sale

### June 12

MS Departmental Awards 1:30 in theatre

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**Cafeteria Menu** can be viewed at:  
<https://hq.scis-his.net/content/lunch-menu>  
Contact Mandy for menu and other cafeteria related matters.  
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### **Mantas Invitational Swim Meet!**

Congratulations to the swimmers, coaches and parents who participated in the Mantas Invitational Swim Meet this weekend in Hong Kong.

### **Re-enrollment**

The re-enrollment window for the 2015-2016 school year has closed. If you still have not re-enrolled or are unsure about your future plans, please come speak with the **2015** admission office or email the [registrar@scischina.org](mailto:registrar@scischina.org). Please be aware that the finance office must confirm payment in the form of the seat guarantee, semester tuition or annual tuition in order to secure your child/ren's seat. Please also be aware that the next early payment discount deadline is April 17th. If you have any questions regarding tuition please contact Grace Hu at [payment@scischina.org](mailto:payment@scischina.org)

### **Shanghai Mathematics Olympiad**

SCIS Hongqiao is hosting this annual event **on Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015, beginning at 9am**. During this event, Middle School students from schools in Shanghai are invited to represent their schools in a day of competition and mathematics problem solving. This event is designed to heighten student interest in mathematics by making math achievement as challenging, exciting, and prestigious as a school sport, as well as simply giving students a day to have fun with math!

### **Parent volunteers needed - Come and lend a helping hand!**

*On behalf of Christina Wang, MS Service Learning Coordinator*

Students have signed up to volunteer at a Senior Citizens Home and at a Primary School. They are excited and ready to spread their cheer but they need chaperones. If you are interested, **even just for one day**, please contact Christina Wang at [cwang@scischina.org](mailto:cwang@scischina.org). Here are the details:

#### **Senior Citizen House on Mondays**

April 20, 27/May 11, 18, 25/June 1

**What do students do?** Give performances (singing, dancing, music, telling jokes) to the senior citizens.

#### **What do you need to do?**

- At 3:20 – meet students in C010 who will prepare for their performances.
- Walk students to Senior Citizens Home (10 minutes).
- Supervise students during performances. They are not allowed to play with their cellphone or laptop during that time.
- Walk students back at 4:30 pm.

#### **Tianyi Primary School on Thursdays**

April 23, 30/May 14, 21, 28/June 4

**What do students do?** Help Chinese 4th graders read English books and write reports.

#### **What do you need to do?**

- At 3:05, meet with students in C004 and take attendance.
- At 3:15, Travel by bus to Tianyi (I will give you all the information about the bus number, driver, student list, and my contact number)
- At 4:30 return to school on bus, arriving at **4:50**

### **Updating Contact Information**

Please notify our Middle School Secretaries, Sunny or Lisa to update your contact information at [sjiang@scischina.org](mailto:sjiang@scischina.org) or [lni@scischina.org](mailto:lni@scischina.org)