

DRAGON BULLETIN

SCIS Mission: To develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring learners who contribute positively to their communities.

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Some Important Dates

- Apr 15** ASAs begin
Apr 16 Passport Club
Apr 24 Swim Fest (G2 & G4)
Apr 25 Swim Fest (G3 & G5)
May 1 No School (Labor Day)
May 7 Spring Concert G. 1/2
May 9 Spring Concert G. 3/4/5
May 14 G4 Market Day
May 13-31 MAP Testing
June 5 G5 Exhibition
June 12 G5 Promotion 2pm

Important Contacts

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Cafeteria:



Grade 2 Trip to the Glass Museum

We are entering a very busy time of the school year with many events and opportunities for children and parents. Please follow the dates listed here and through your classroom teacher so nothing important is missed. Enquire for more details when needed.

Parents who pick up children at school for any reason need to sign the student out with the LS secretaries. We are holding buses on a daily bases for students that are sitting with parents or ayis in the cafe or elsewhere on campus while we verify the students whereabouts. Please keep us informed and sign the parent pick-up sheet when you pick up your child.



April 12, 2019

After School Activities (ASAs):

Session 3 will start the week of April 15 and run for 8 weeks. The final week of ASAs is the week of June 3. Refer to the ASA email sent previously for the program and sign up link.

Swim Fest

SCIS Lower School students will celebrate the end of the year's PE swim lessons with a Swim Fest.

Wednesday, April 24: G2 (9:00 – 11:00) & G4 (12:30 – 2:30)

Thursday, April 25th: Grade 3 Swim Fest (9:00 – 11:00) & Grade 5 Swim Fest (12:30 – 2:30)

MAP Growth Spring Testing

Lower school students in Grades 2-5 will be taking the Language, Reading and Math MAP Growth tests between May 13-May 31.

The MAP Growth is a broadly administered standardized assessment based on the Math and English Language Arts Common Core State Standards from the United States of America. The Common Core Standards are SCIS's adopted standards that we use within our PYP IB framework. MAP Growth computerized assessments are unique in that they adapt to be appropriate for your child's level of learning. As a result, each student has the same opportunity to succeed and maintain a positive attitude toward the assessment experience. SCIS students in Grades 2-5 take the MAP Growth every fall and spring. There is nothing students need to do to prepare for the tests besides getting a good night's sleep, eating a healthy breakfast, and drinking water.

The data from the MAP Growth assessments gives students, parents, and educators an overview of a student's current achievement level, including specific areas of strength and weakness, as well as a student's growth over time. SCIS also uses the data to evaluate academic achievement and growth at the grade and system level, as we are able to compare our school's data with the norm group, which is from the United States. We use our MAP scores as one assessment amongst many other assessments to inform our decisions about programming and instruction. The MAP data points alone do not summarize a student's learning.

Parents of students in Grades 2-5 can expect to receive their child's individual MAP reports in June. If you have any questions about the MAP Growth assessment, please feel free to contact your child's homeroom teacher, Kevin Haggith or Kristie O'Brien. More information about NWEA and the MAP Growth test can be found at www.nwea.org

SCIS Summer Camp

It's never too early to start thinking about summer! SCIS is excited to announce that registration for our Summer Kids Camp is now open, with an early bird registration discount available until March 29. We have an exciting summer program planned and hope you can join us for the fun.



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Please visit our camp website through this [link](#) or by scanning our QR code for more information!

<https://scis-hq.managebac.cn/login>

May 1 Holiday

A government announcement was made to adjust the Labor Day Holiday for this year to a multi-day holiday (May 1 thru 4) with 'make-up' days for work to be held on two Sundays (April 28 & May 5.) After confirming with our government contacts and the Shanghai International School Association, SCIS has determined we will maintain our current posted 2018-19 school year calendar, this means:

- May 1 (Wed.): No school or workday
- May 2 & 3 (Thurs. & Fri): We will have school and standard work days for all
- April 28 & May 5 (Sundays): We will not have school or work on these days

EAL Teachers & April ELP Testing

English Learners in grades 1-5 takes the MODEL English Language Proficiency (ELP) assessments each April. The ELP assess social and academic language growth and proficiency. English as an Additional Language (EAL) teachers will conduct the assessments **Monday, April 8- Tuesday, April 23**. SCIS will also be making data-based EAL program progression and exit decisions based on the results of the MODEL assessment as well as other assessment criteria. EAL teachers will not be teaching during the testing window as they will be assessing. Parents of students in the EAL program will receive MODEL English Language Proficiency assessment reports in May.

Passport Club

April 16 - Passport Club meeting during lunch recess
at Theatre building 3rd floor

Heart of Stars – Tonight!

Upper School's Interact Club is proud to present Heart of Stars 2.0— A talent competition with with all proceeds going towards Heart to Heart to fund lifesaving heart surgeries for children in need. Come witness the stunning talents of students around Shanghai and participate in the event of a lifetime!! See the flyer below for details.

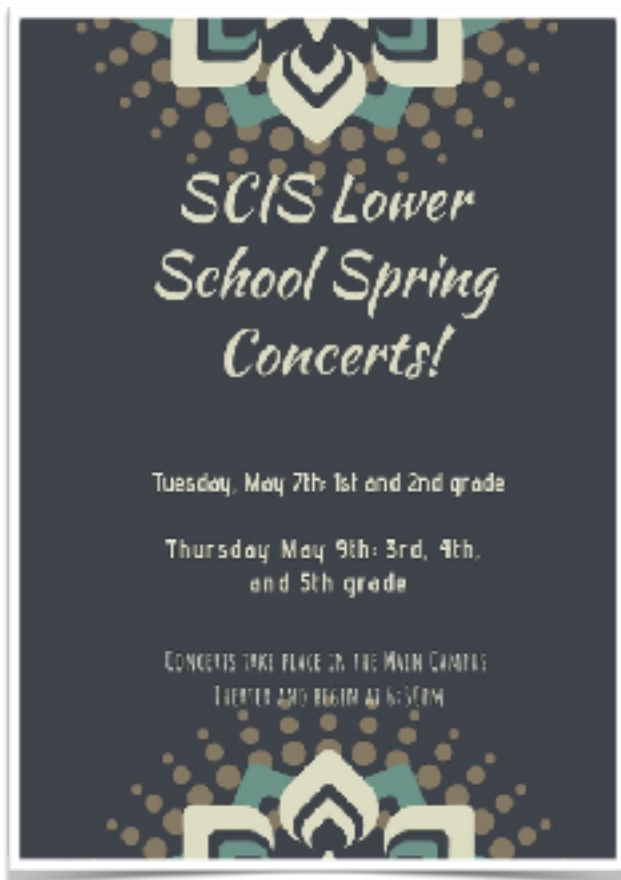
PAFA CONNECT

PAFA Representatives for Lower School: Bebe Jacobs and Carrie Zhou. Email them at: pafa-hq-ls@scic-china.org

Parenting Workshop for parents of children 0-10 years old. **This workshop is FREE (PAFA sponsors the books for parents).** The course will run over 5 consecutive Tuesdays, from 10 am-12 pm. First class April 23rd, then April 30th, May 7th, May 14th and May 21st. Location: HQ Main Campus, Lower School Hub (C109). Space limited to 40 parents. If interested please send an email to PAFA-hq-usdp@scis-china.org or scan the QR code on the attached flyer.

Intro to Essential Oils Workshop, Monday April 22nd, 10-11:30 AM, the Plaza, HQ Main Campus. This is our 2nd Parent to Parent offering, this session is organized by an SCIS parent and will be presented by a doTerra essential oils health coach. See attached flyer.

Heart to Heart Toiletry Drive is ongoing and continuous. Please bring your donations of soap, shampoo, lotion, etc. to the lower level of the Upper School building. There is a donation box right next to the Lost & Found area. Pafa will organize another Heart to Heart Toys and Clothing Drive in May. Please hold on to those items for now.



SCIS Lower School Spring Concerts!

Tuesday, May 7th: 1st and 2nd grade

Thursday May 9th: 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade

CONCERTS TAKE PLACE IN THE MAIN CAMPUS THEATRE AND BEGIN AT 6:30PM



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Date and Time: April 12th, 6-8 PM @ SCIS Theatre.

TICKETS: 50 RMB.

Please add your child's name and class as a note while paying.
请备注请输入你小孩的名字与班级 (备注).

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