

# LS DRAGON BULLETIN

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

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## Important Dates

**MAP Testing:** Sept 15-30

**September 24 - Back to School Night** with online teacher Meetings. Session times and Teams meeting invites are coming.

**October Holiday:** October 1-6

## Important Contacts

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We have had a to glow about in the Lower School this week despite all the rain we've had! All grades have begun their first large units of the year. Students are being assessed in their classrooms for literacy and math levels to inform teacher instruction over the next few weeks. The energy is very positive.  
- Kevin Haggith, LS Principal



Assessing student learning to improve instruction and learning.

## Back To School Night

### Thursday, September 24, 2020

Two Sessions will be hosted by the homeroom teacher at 6:00 pm and 7:00pm on Microsoft Teams (attend only one). Classroom invites will be sent to parents this week. This meeting is targeted at the parents and we ask that students not participate directly.

- explore the academic year and the classroom
- get to know the teacher
- connect with the families in your classroom

Videos introducing single subject teachers, leadership and curriculum will be posted in Seesaw over the next few weeks.

## SCIS LS Parent Student Handbook for 2020-2021:

Click [HERE](#) for handbook.



## NWEA MAP Testing

NWEA MAP Growth Testing for LS students in grades 2-5 is taking place between Sept 15-30. Students take the MAP reading, math and language assessments twice a year, in September and May. SCIS uses the data to inform our students' growth and achievement. We will inform you of your child's MAP data in October. This data is not meant to be a lone indicator of your child's academic ability. We use the MAP data to inform instruction for the teachers in conjunction with the daily assessments they gather.

## English as an Additional Language (EAL) Program

SCIS Lower School has begun assessing new students and GI students for English as an Additional Language (EAL) program enrollment. Parents whose students are enrolled in EAL can expect to receive a parent letter explaining the program in October. EAL services will officially begin in October at SCIS. In the time being, students learning English receive EAL support in their homeroom through their homeroom teachers.

## Student Dress Code

Please make sure your student is dressed in the school shirt and dark blue shorts/skirt/pants each day. Jeans, logos brand names and other design features should not be present. Safe shoes for running and play are needed every day.

## Substitute Teaching for the Lower School

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SCIS Lower School is looking for qualified substitute (sub) teachers for short-term sub assignments. Typically, substitute jobs last for a day at a time, and often our need arises the night before or in the early morning. If you would like to apply, please send a simple resume to LS Vice Principal, Kristie O'Brien, at [kobrien@scis-china.org](mailto:kobrien@scis-china.org).

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## SCIS COVID-19 Community Response Protocols (CCR)

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Please refer to our direct [HQ-Main CCR](#) website for information regarding our health and safety protocols in the time of virus prevention and control. Protocols from SCIS as guided by the SEC government authorities are continually changing, and we keep our website carefully updated.

### Current Travel Restrictions:

- **General Restrictions:**
  - As per entry requirements, no SCIS employees or students may travel outside of Shanghai without having to adhere to a 14-day 'in-Shanghai' quarantine before entering campus.
- **National and Mid-Autumn Festival Holiday Expectations:**
  - The 14 consecutive days in Shanghai rule will apply indefinitely; thus, students leaving Shanghai for October break will need to quarantine.
    - Until further notice, employees and students should not plan to travel outside of Shanghai. A parent, ayi, or caretakers' travel outside of Shanghai to a low-risk area will not jeopardize a students' eligibility to enter campus.

## PAFA

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### SCIS HONGQIAO PARENTS

We have just ended the third week of school! Hope everyone is now into your routine.

A reminder that all parents are **PAFA** members. The **PAFA** committee works hard to facilitate connections between parents, and parents and SCIS. The **PAFA** committee is run by parents who have volunteered their time to organize fun and engaging events to reach these goals. This year due to all the restrictions, events may look different from previous years, but we are trying to work within those limits.

If you are not yet part of your class/grade WeChat group, please let us help you. WeChat might not be an official form of communications; it is a convenient one. Send us an email & we can add you to the appropriate group to keep you posted on events/happenings in the school.

Email address : [pafa-hq-comms@scis-china.org](mailto:pafa-hq-comms@scis-china.org)

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Look out for updates on events and dates in the coming weeks!

Our 1st **PAFA** social event of the year!

**Fun Zumba Class and Lunch.**

Date : 21 September 2020 (Monday)

Time : 10:00-12:00

Place : 99 Xikang Road (Sweat & Co)

Dress code : Sports

Charges : ¥150 (incl. lunch & drinks)-pay at the door

Only 25 seats! If you are interested, please sign up quickly by sending email to

[pafa-hq-events@scis-china.org](mailto:pafa-hq-events@scis-china.org)

Kind regards

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**PAFA** Communications