

MS DRAGON BULLETIN

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The Mission of SCIS is to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring learners who contribute positively to their communities.

Important Dates

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***Learning rhythms,  
supporting the Bright  
Connection by buying  
books, debating the  
pros and cons of  
ecotourism,  
collaboratively  
problem solving and  
writing scripts...just a typical week!***



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was the best kind of week....being in classrooms engaged in activities with students, connecting with parents during our China Trips parent evening and our presentation on teens and stress, seeing everyone in our community catching the book buying spirit to benefit Bright Connection, meeting with potential families and

## Important Links

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[MS Parent Student Handbook](#)

[Weekly Menu](#)

[1617 School Year Calendar](#)

[Events Calendar](#) - this is a link to the events calendar

[Communitas](#) - Our Community Magazine

## PAFA Connect

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### Author visit--Rob Schmitz

(National Public Radio, Marketplace correspondent).

**Monday, April 24, 7:30 pm, SCIS (in the Forum).** He will be discussing his book *Street of Eternal Happiness, Big City Dreams Along a Shanghai Road*. This is a tale about life along Changle Lu, right here in Shanghai. Students and parents are invited to attend.

### Seeking PAFA Volunteers for the Executive Committee!

We are still in need of a **Treasurer, Events Coordinator, Lower School Reps(1-2 people), and Upper School Reps (1-2 people, for grades 6-8)**. See your school representative or contact [PAFA\\_hq\\_sec@scis-his.org](mailto:PAFA_hq_sec@scis-his.org) for more information or if you have an interest in volunteering.

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proudly touring them around, listening to students and teachers debating which house is the best...it was the kind of week in which I cannot say enough how much I love my job!

## MESSAGES FROM PAFA

### Student volunteers needed!

The Cultural Craft Fair is tomorrow, April 22, 10:00-14:00, at the ECE campus. Many student volunteers are still needed. If your child is available to help, send a WeChat message to your PAFA representative. Each slot will be for two hours and your child will receive service recognition for his/her help! Thanks a lot!

### Visiting Author

Monday, April 24th, 7:30 pm, in the Forum

**Rob Schmitz** is giving a free presentation to the SCIS community similar to the one he did at the Shanghai Literary Festival and he will sign copies of his book (available for purchase that night) - *The Street of Eternal Happiness* - about Changle Lu and the people and stories from this street.

Rob is a Shanghai resident and a National Public Radio (NPR) contributor. The stories he did for the business podcast Marketplace that ultimately led to this book can be heard here: <http://robschmitz.com/radio-series-eternal-happiness/>

**Seeking PAFA Volunteers** for next year's Executive Committee! We are still in need of a **Treasurer** and an **Events Coordinator**. Contact your school representative for more information.

### Market Day--Last one of the year!

May 18, 11-2

### Spring Picnic--Save the Date

Saturday, May 27th, 1:00 pm

**April 26-28:** Bright Star Book Sale in LS library

26th, 27th,  
28th April  
@ SCIS



**Do you have clothes/shoes/bags/jewelry other items that you no longer want?**  
**Are you leaving Shanghai this year and looking for new homes for your things?**  
**Looking to donate to a good cause?**

As one of our first teaspoons for Change project, we are holding a SWAP SHOP on  
26th, 27th & 28th April.

Donate your items during lunch, break and after school to Ms. Sunny in the MS plaza. Between  
17th-25th April.

For every item you bring in you will receive the same amount of 'chips' to spend on other  
items in the SWAP SHOP.

All items that are not swapped will be on sale to purchase, all money collected will be donated  
to the bright connection.

## DRAGON JAZZ BAND

The SCIS Dragon Jazz Band will be performing at the Shanghai Family Fun Fair on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 AM. The event will be held at the Shanghai Centre, and is open to the public. There are also a lot of different performances and stalls to check out around the Shanghai Centre. 1376 Nanjing Xi Lu, near Xikang Lu 上海商城, 南京西路1376号 近西康路

## SEMESTER 2 - LOOKING AHEAD

17-21 Apr: Book Sale in MS Plaza

18 Apr: China Trip Parent Information Evening @ 6:00-6:45pm in C212

19 Apr: Nate Balfanz - **Helping Our Children Manage Their Mental Health and Stress** @ 10-11:30am

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29 May: US Strings Concert @ 6:30 in the theatre

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31 May: US Band/Percussion Concert @ 6:30 in the theatre

01-Jun: US Choir/Guitar Concert @ 6:30 in the theatre

06-Jun: MS Department Awards Assembly @ 1:05pm in the theatre

07-Jun: Games People Play @ 6:00pm in the theatre

09-Jun: HS Graduation

12 Jun: MS Activities Day

13 Jun: G8 Completion Rehearsal,

13 Jun: G8 Completion Ceremony & Reception

13 Jun: MS Farewell Dance @ 6:30

14 Jun: Talent Show/Jade Dragon Ceremony

16 Jun: Last day of school for students (dismissal 3pm)

## MESSAGE: ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR (April 24-28)

- **Monday:** Math Counts 3:15-4:15 in Robbie laLonde's room
- **Monday:** 6th grade boys and girls BB pract. 3:30-4:30 (coaches Connolly and O'Brien) US Gym
- **Monday:** 7/8<sup>th</sup> grade boys BB pract. 4:30-5:30 (coaches Sternberg, Simmons, Barrs and Voegelé) US Gym for C2 and LS C1
- **Tuesday:** C1 girls BB away @ WISS (coach Kat) Dismiss @ 2:50, bus leaves at 3:00pm
- **Tuesday:** 6th grade girls BB home game vs. YCIS 3:30-5pm (coach Connolly) US Gym
- **Tuesday:** C2 girls BB home game vs. SSIS 3:30-5pm (coach Kirwin)
- **Thursday:** C1 Boys BB away game @ WISS 3:30-5pm (coach Simmons) Dismiss @ 2:50, bus leaves at 3:00pm
- **Thursday:** C2 Boys BB Home games vs Suzhou 3:30-5pm (coaches Barrs, Sternberg)
- **Thursday:** 6<sup>th</sup> grade Boys away game YCIS GB 3:30-5pm bus leaves at 3:10pm
- **Thursday:** ACAMIS Math team leaves at 3pm for HQ airport
- **Friday:** 7/8<sup>th</sup> grade girls BB practice 3:30-4:30(coaches Kat, Kirwin) US Gym
- **Friday:** ACAMIS Math team returns 8:45pm