



Our mission is to help each child reach his or her full potential by providing a positive environment that fosters academic, emotional, and social growth in each student.

Announcement

WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!

Despite of the lack of power, and the rain, we're off to a great start. The first week of school was wonderful.

We are happy to have most of our students back on campus. There are some new faces in our staff as well as the student body, and we welcome them warmly into the SIS family.



as well as the safety of our students and families.

The school answering machine (288-9660) will always have an updated announcement of whether the school is open or closed. You can also call Mr. Bray at 285-3171 for information.

Thank you all parents, students and staff for making this week as normal and smooth as possible.

The Scoop will be sent by email (if possible) every Friday and contains important information for students and parents. Please take the time to read The Scoop each week.



Typhoon News:

According to our Handbook, SIS will remain open until **Typhoon** condition one or two is declared, at which point the school will close. These conditions are determined by the governor. When the island is in **Tropical Storm** condition one or two, we will make a determination of the status of the school based on conditions such water and power shortages,



NEWS ABOUT THE SIS CLUBS

Students at the Middle and High School level will be able to join two clubs every week at the last period of the day. The variety of these clubs will provide a great opportunity for our students to gain all necessary skills for the future.

Here are the clubs we are offering:

- **Art Club** with Ms. Morrell and Ms. Bevas (Tu-Th)
- **Yoga and Wellness Club** with Ms. Morell (We-Fri)
- **Math Challenge and Math Court** with Mr. Lee and Ms. Deatrich (Tu-Wed)
- **Soccer Club** with Ms. Deatrich (Wed-Fri)

- **Basketball** with Mr. L (Tu-Th)
- **Strength Training** with Mr. Harris (Tu-Th)
- **Film Club** with Mr. Harris (Wed-Fri)
- **Paper Cutting Club** with Ms. Ayeras (Wed-Fri)
- **Card Stock Architecture and Engineering** with Ms. Ayeras (Tu-Thu)
- **Chorus** with Ms. Jang (Tu-Th)
- **Calligraphy** with Ms. Jang (Wed-Fri)
- **NFL/NJFL** with Ms. Bevas (Tu-Th)
- **Lincoln-Douglas Debate** with Mr. Tessen ((Tu-Th)
- **Yearbook** with Mrs. Bray (Wed-Fri)
- **Chess** with Mr. Lee (Wed-Fri)*
- **Life Skills** with Ms. Mili (Tu-Th)
- **Computer and Coding Club** with Mr. Bray and Mr. Metayer (Wed-Fri)
- **Court Games** with Mr. L (Wed-Fri)
- **SIS Survivor Club** with Mr. Beyer (Tu-Th)
- **Yard Games** with Mr. Beyer (Wed-Fri)
- **SAT/ACT** with Quintin Ramsey, Daniel Lim and Mr. Tessen (Wed-Fri)



Very Important: Parents should park in the parking lot if they want to walk their children to the classrooms. Please **DO NOT** leave your cars if you are in the driveway because this creates hazards and stops the flow of traffic.

If you would like to come into the school, please park in the parking lot or in the field. For safety purposes, do not park on the road. Please try to pick up your children by 2:45 p.m., unless other arrangements have been made. Elementary students picked up after

3:05 will be charged \$3.00 and placed in the After School Kids (ASK) program.



Parents: Please send your children to school with either a LUNCH TICKET or with LUNCH FROM HOME.

Lunches cost \$0.75 per day.

Parents can purchase lunch tickets in advance from Mrs. Julie Newman. You are not obligated to order lunch every day, but a decision must be made by 8:00 a.m. before the order is placed. The menu for this month is available at the school office.



It is mosquito season! We noticed mosquitoes are biting some of our students during lunch, recess or PE time. We encourage parents to apply some mosquito repellent to their children before they come to school.

Some important things to remember or know:

- *Classes start at 7:45 a.m.*
- *Lunch is ordered by 8:00 a.m. If your child is late be sure he/she is bringing home lunch. Remember lunch tickets are \$0.75. You can purchase them in advance from Ms. Julie. The menu for this month is available at the school office. We cannot order any lunches without payment being made.*
- *Attendance is taken at the beginning of the day. If your child is not attending school, please contact the school office to let us know, so the absence will be justified. Tardiness also counts. If students are late they must request a late pass from the office.*
- *School finishes at 2:45 p.m. Please do not take your child earlier from the class. This may disrupt the teachers' dismissal process.*

- *If you want to celebrate your Elementary child's birthday during the school day, please contact your child's teacher in advance. You are allowed to bring food (pizza, cake, etc) to the class during lunch time at the pala pala. No celebrations are to be inside the classrooms. No gifts, please!*
- *We send the Scoop every Friday by email. If you haven't received any school communications this way, please call Mili and verify your email address.*
- *All students should bring a bottle of water. They can refill the bottle at school, but it is necessary for them to have the container. We are trying to*

help our island by putting less paper in the landfill.

- *Elementary Students picked up after 3:05 will be charged \$3.00 and placed in the After School Kids (ASK) program.*
- *ESL classes will start in October. We will send more information when available.*

All students at SIS have been learning about our six school virtues: **Scholarship, Compassion, Citizenship, Respect, Initiative, and Integrity.**

This month's Bake Sale is being postponed until further notice.

Calendar

Monday August 24 B DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ASK 3:00 – 5:00 • Staff Meeting 3:00 • Lunch: Bisteak with Green Peas, Sautéed Vegetables, Steamed Rice, Fruit, Flavored Milk
Tuesday August 25 A DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday Clubs: Art, Math, Basketball, Strength Training, Architecture and Engineering, Chorus, NFL/NJFL, Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Life Skills, SIS Survivor • ASK 3:00 – 5:00 • Lunch: Sloppy Joes on Bun, Texas BBQ Beans, Seasoned Corn, Fruit and Milk
Wednesday August 26 B DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday Clubs: Calligraphy, Yearbook, Chess, Computer and Coding, Court Games, Yard Games Yoga and Wellness, Soccer Club, Film Club, Paper Cutting, SAT/ACT. • ASK 3:00 – 5:00 • Lunch: Chicken Penne Bake, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit and Milk
Thursday August 27 A DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday Clubs: Art, Math, Basketball, Strength Training, Architecture and Engineering, Chorus, NFL/NJFL, Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Life Skills, SIS Survivor • ASK 3:00 – 5:00 • Lunch: Cheese Burger with Sweet Potato Fries, Fruit and Milk
Friday August 28 B DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday Clubs: Calligraphy, Yearbook, Chess, Computer and Coding, Court Games, Yard Games Yoga and Wellness, Soccer Club, Film Club, Paper Cutting, SAT/ACT. • ASK 3:00 – 5:00 • Lunch: Chicken Curry with Carrots, Local Greens, Steamed Rice, Fruit and Milk.

Upcoming Events

- **September 7 : Labor day – No School**
- **September 16: Elementary and Middle School Picture Day**
- **September 17: High School Picture Day**
- **September 18: Make Up and Friendship Package (Picture Day)**
- **September 22: Progress report sent home (Due to limitation of power the 1st Progress Report scheduled for September 1 has been postponed). Feel free to contact your teacher if you want an earlier report.**

Thank you

- Our list of individuals who have helped us is endless, but we will try to mention some of them: John Nersten and Justin. They have been fixing the roof of our pala pala. It is almost done! Thank you.
- To Steven Metayer for his endless support in all areas.
- To Kyoung Min Song for the delicious lunch and for being a stand-by for whatever we need. Also to Auntie Sue and Auntie Jean for the delicious treats. And to Jun Hee's and Yedam's family for the delicious coffee.
- To May Ling Colombo for the delicious cake to celebrate Mr. Beyer, Ms. Morell and Mrs. Jang's birthday, and for being the "super" substitute teacher (and many other jobs).
- To the members of the staff and faculty for bringing the best possible education regardless of the many challenges our island is facing.
- A HUGE thank you to the students for bringing the best attitude possible. They are showing us that the lack of power is challenging, but learning is more important.
- To our parents, our deepest appreciation for trusting our school and faculty. Together we are going to make this school year – despite the weather complications—the best possible.
- To our Alumni of 2013 Christine Kim for donating her time while on Saipan helping the K-4 classroom.
- Thank you to Saipan Ice and Water for donating ice every morning for our students and faculty. A cold glass of water makes our day easier.