

> LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

Thai Chinese International School

TCIS

Upcoming Events!

Mon. Sept. 5th Second Step Lessons & LS Lunch Clubs Begin

Thurs. Sept. 8 7:30 = Wai Kru Ceremony 5th floor gym

Friday Sept. 9th = No school for students teacher professional development day

Wed. Sept. 14th 7:30 = LS Parent Coffee Chat

Topics - Health, Second Step, MAP testing/results, Chinese Speech, Report Cards, and anything else you would like to know more about the LS.

*Translator will be available



Fun and Fundraising in the Lower School

Last week week our Grade two made cookies, cards, and bookmarks to raise money for a classroom in need. They are giving the funds raised towards getting books for another lower school in another country that wants to read and learn everyday just like us. Ms. Kati our former grade one teacher is the classroom they are helping. Thanks for all your support for this fun fundraiser and for helping all students have the materials they need to learn. I know Ms. Jenna and Ms. Lauren are happy to help their class give back to others and to help Ms. Kati.

Nice Job Lower School!

Reminders

*Students should bring socks to school to wear in the classrooms.

*Students are not allowed to us mobile phones or watches during the school day.

*Students are encouraged to wash hands regularly and to stay home if they have a fever or if they are sick. If your child is sick please inform the school.

*Please follow the communication pathways as outlined in the parent student handbook on Pg 45. Share any concerns with teachers first, then with the Lower School office.

*Students leaving campus must be signed out of the office.



LS Parent Feedback needed. Please complete this short survey to share your thoughts on the LS Language Program.

https://goo.gl/forms/W2XxUebDxz82GN2A3



LS Parent Coffee Sept. 14th

What is a LS Parent coffee?

A positive time and place for parents to come and build a strong home school connection and learn more about the LS and best practice in education.

We will host our first LS parent coffee session on **Wednesday, September 14th. at 7:30** Topics - Health, Second Step, MAP testing/results, Chinese Speech, Report Cards, and anything else you would like to know more about at the Lower School!

Hannah Hartman LS Principal



NEWS & UPDATES

Transitions in the Lower School

*Ms. Pi-Chu had some personal items she is dealing with and has chosen to resign from TCIS. Ms. Jessica will be taking her place in the Lower School Chinese classroom.

*We are currently advertising the position of Librarian so we can hire somebody as soon as possible.

TCIS ONLINE ACADEMY (For Emergency Closure)

Lower School learning from home is not ideal but we are prepared in the event that we have a sudden closure to continue with distance learning. Teachers have folders where they prepare lessons and activities for your students. If we need to close for any reason these folders will be shared with you to view so learning can continue for



the Lower School. Teachers will be available online for support in the event of a closure. In addition to the online learning resources for our early childhood we will prepare an emergency paper packet to keep at home for any closure days.

Mid-way through Quarter one

We have concluded our MAP testing. If a teacher has identified any student concerns either academically or behaviorially they will be contacting you via phone, letter, or conference to share their observations and how they are supporting your child at school and how you can support your child from home in the identified areas. Parent Teacher conferences will be held in October but if you have any concerns you can always contact your teacher to set up a time to meet and discuss. We have translators available if needed.

LOWER SCHOOL CLUBS

Junior Council - Advisor= Mr. Joseph - meets Tuesday at lunch

They are leaders in our school for fundraising, information on improving our earth, and leaders of our Talent Show, and so much more.

Open to grades 1-4

LS Choir - Advisor= Ms. Rebekah - meetings Tuesday and Thursday at lunch



They sing at concerts and/or assemblies. They make beautiful music together. *Additional information and sign up has been sent home.

Open to grades 3 & 4

LS Band - Advisor= Ms. Rebekah - meetings at lunch on Monday

They need to play any instrument already. They practice and play together at concerts and assemblies. *Additional information and sign up has been sent home.

Open to grades 1-4

Thai Dance - Advisor= Ms. Ben/Ms. Rung - meets Monday and Tuesday at lunch

They learn to dance in traditional Thai style and perform at special school events such as King's Birthday.

Open to grades 1-4

