

LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

Thai Chinese International School

Upcoming Events!

- *Jan. 11-15 MAP practice test
- *Jan. 11th Teacher Appreciation Day
- *Jan. 13th Parent Workshop: Promoting Reading 7:30 in 360
- *Jan. 19th Monthly Assembly Independent Lifelong Learners in 360 at 7:15 (performances by PK4)

Next Parent Workshop

Our next parent workshop will be held in January 13th, 2016

Jan. 13th - How to promote literacy and reading development By: Ms. Ellen Reading Specialist

7:30am in the 360

Translation will be provided

REMINDER

Happy New Year!

We are excited to have a very happy and healthy 2016.



Welcome back to school! As we approach the second half of the year there are a lot of exciting things to share about here at TCIS!

***** Safety First!***** Pick Up Procedures

We want to make sure all students are safe at TCIS and we appreciate your help!

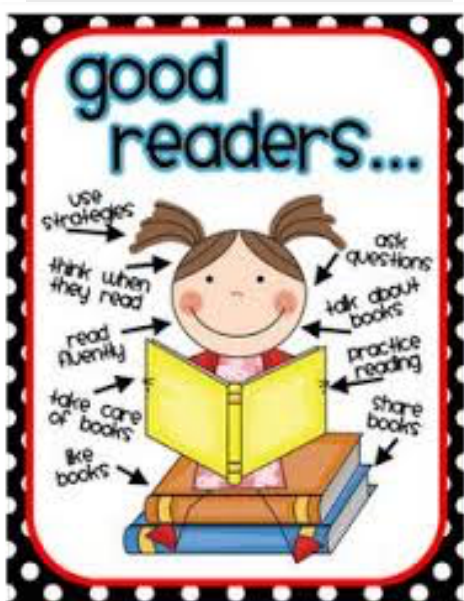
As you are aware school begins at 7:10 and finishes at 3:10. There are a number of students who are arriving to campus very early and are staying around very late. To improve our campus safety we are making a few minor changes.

At morning drop off the school will be closed until 6:45am. Anyone arriving before this time will need to sit in the waiting area or canteen area.

In the afternoon school finishes at 3:10. At dismissal any students not in a school sponsored activity need to report to their pick up spot. For early childhood students PK2-PK4 they will remain in their classroom until 3:20 and then will wait to be picked up in the LS office at 4:00 they will go to the pick up area in the garage. For students KG-grade4 they will be taken to wait in either the canteen or the waiting area in the parking garage. The Lower School playground and field space will be closed after school unless parents are supervising their own children. Please note there is no supervision for LS students after 4:00.

We appreciate your help and support in keeping the campus safe for all and honoring our drop off and pick up times.

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Healthy Body & Mind

As we start the new year it is important to think about how we are staying healthy in body and in mind.

I am very pleased to announce with that in 2016 our Physical Education program will now be completing the Presidential Physical Fitness pre-post testing for students starting at age 6. This test will give us an opportunity to measure physical ability and to look at the percentile of achievement and growth over time for each student.

This is an exciting way to demonstrate best practice in teaching and to give students a chance to excel and build their physical fitness to have a healthy body and mind.



JR Council Community Service

Teacher Appreciation Day! January 11th

We had a special assembly to recognize our wonderful teachers.

Thank you for all your hard work and care for the students of TCIS. You are valued and help to make this school such a great place to learn and grow.

Quarter Two Report Cards

Report cards will be sent home in the mail later this week.

We have finalized the report cards and they are coming home this week. In the report card you can see the standards that were covered in quarter two and any growth your child has made throughout the year. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the teacher to arrange a meeting and talk about your child's progress and learning plan.

In March when the quarter 3 reports come out we will host our second official conference.

Mid Year MAP testing practice!

Grades 1-4 will be doing a shortened round of mid-year MAP testing.

All grade 1-4 classes will be testing in Reading and Math. This will be a chance for students to practice and check in where they are at mid-year. This will also be a great opportunity for teachers to collect some data to help assure we are meeting all student needs and help inform our planning and instruction in the semester ahead.

Happy Children's Day!

Donations! Thank you to the Junior Council.

Our junior council led some wonderful community service last week by raising money and creating some gift bags for the children on the Soi for Children's day.

In the High school they also are hosting a donation drive for any old school uniforms people are no longer using.

Thank you for all the hard work and community service.

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