

CURRICULUM DOCUMENTS

Activities

These activities are an integral part of the school programme. They extend the educational and recreational opportunities for the children. The activities are held after the normal school day from 2:30 pm until 3:30 pm. These activities are invaluable in developing interpersonal skills, independence and confidence etc. outside the structured classroom.

A full list of the activities offered (and any restrictions due to age or numbers) will be given each term, normally within two weeks of the start of the term. Some clubs may have a charge to cover costs of the outside specialist provider. Activities are organized with themes in order to promote breadth of experience; the themes shall be based upon physical exercise, creativity, international mindedness and community.

Events

A full list of school events, including sports days, house events, fun days and international week, for example, shall be placed upon the school website and academic calendar at least one term in advance. Parent shall also be informed by letter and through the curriculum overviews sent at the beginning of each term.

Challenge Week

SIS, as part of its ethos, believes in an **IDEALS** based education (**I**nternationalism, **D**emocracy, **E**nvironment, **A**dventure, **L**eadership and **S**ervice) as promoted by the Round Square Organisation, to which it aims to become a member in future years.

Indeed, such is the importance of these IDEALS, that the school shall be including them on your child's end of year academic report, as well as their official school transcripts. It is therefore vital that your child demonstrates participation in these IDEALS.

To give all the students the chance to participate and show completion of the IDEALS, the school shall organise a challenge week, which shall enrich your child's education and provide the basis of evidence that shall be used in the reports and transcripts.

The whole school, depending upon age, shall be away during this week, completing elements of international mindedness, environmental awareness, adventure, leadership and service. They are not holidays, but a vital part of an international school curriculum. There shall be no lessons at school for this period. This week is exceptionally important and reflects an approach that all top international schools take.

It is absolutely vital that your child attends the IDEALS week, so that reports and transcripts can be successfully completed. To this end, it is part of the admissions agreement and all students are expected to attend as a compulsory out of school learning experience. There shall be a fee for this, and parents will be kept informed well in advance about what the anticipated cost shall be.

Trips

There will be other opportunities throughout the school year, and across a variety of subjects, to attend off site activities and field trips. These however, although encouraged, would not be compulsory. Again, plenty of advance notice will be given.

Getting Involved

Parents are welcome!

Having parents support school functions like a class assembly or various performances is great to see! So how else can you get involved?

- Parents can help in their child's class for 'one-off' events or on-going projects such as the class topic work. If you want to help, please contact the class teacher.
 - Parents may also help in the library. Please contact the librarian to talk to her about how you can help.
 - Having parent helpers in for co-curricular activities means that we can utilize expertise for specific projects and it ensures that we have extra pairs of eyes on events such as field trips. If you would like to help in the class, with a project or on a field trip, simply contact the class teacher.
 - Join The Parent Group for SIS and contribute to positive dialogue to see the school move forward
 - Help with school events such as fun day, international week and mother tongue day
- Be proactive and come in to support school events and performances

