



## TIS COMMUNITY

Students are more likely to succeed when certain elements are in place. How many of these elements do you feel are in place for your child? Are there other elements that should be added?

1. **Directed:** students have a goal and know how to achieve it
2. **Focused:** students stay on track even when they face setbacks or difficulties
3. **Nurtured:** students feel their teachers want them and will help them to succeed
4. **Engaged:** students actively participate in class and extracurricular activities
5. **Connected:** students feel like valued members of the school community
6. **Valued:** students' skills, talents, abilities, and experiences are recognized and celebrated

## SECONDARY (6-12)

**Class of 2026 University Acceptances:** Congratulations to the following grade 12 students and their families on their recent acceptances to top universities around the world:

### Chu, Betsy Jianing

- The University of Hong Kong (HKU) - China
- University of Toronto (St. George Campus) - Canada
- The University of British Columbia - Canada
- University of Nottingham Ningbo China - China

### Jia, Yi Fan (George)

- The Ohio State University (Computer Science Major) - USA
- University of Toronto (Computer Science Major) - Canada
- The University of British Columbia - Canada

### Liu, Xuan Lin

- Maryland Institute College of Art with Scholarship - USA
- School of Visual Arts with Scholarship - USA
- ArtCenter College of Design - USA

### Park, Minji (Olivia)

- University of Wisconsin-Madison - USA
- The Ohio State University - USA
- Rutgers University - USA
- Northeastern University - USA
- University of Toronto (St. George Campus) with Scholarship - Canada

### Wang, Xin Tong (Jason)

- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign - USA
- The Ohio State University - USA

**Last three weeks of term 3:** The third term of studies ends on March 20. Students are encouraged to check Power School to make sure there are no missing assignments, communicate with teachers, and sacrifice leisure activities to prepare for end of term tests and complete end of term assignments. Report card conferences will be held on March 27.

### Important Secondary Events

- March 12-13 ACAMIS Band Event
- March 18-21 ACAMIS Football Tourney
- March 26 Secondary Science Fair
- March 28 Kangaroo Math Contests
- March 30-April 3 Week Without Walls Trips

## PRE-KINDERGARTEN

**Happy Lantern Festival! Yuánxiāo jié kuàilè!** March 3 marks the joyful Lantern Festival, a cherished tradition that brings the Chinese New Year celebrations to a warm and happy close. On this special day, families gather to enjoy sweet Yuánxiāo (Tāngyuán)—a symbol of togetherness and happiness—while admiring colorful lanterns and taking part in festive activities. May this beautiful celebration fill your homes with light, laughter, and love. Wishing all our families a bright, joyful, and harmonious Lantern Festival!

**PreK Learning:** Pre-K 4 students will be focusing on math concepts such as counting, patterns, and 3D shapes. The children will explore these ideas through fun, hands-on activities that make learning engaging and meaningful. As spring arrives, our Pre-K 3's will spend time exploring colors. The children will experiment with colors and enjoy a variety of colorful activities in the classroom.

**Post-Holiday Tips:** 1) Rebuild routines: Help children return to regular schedules, with enough sleep and healthy meals; 2) Eat balanced meals: Gradually reduce oily and sugary foods and return to a nutritious diet; 3) Refocus on learning: Support children in settling back into class and rebuilding learning habits; 4) Stay active: Encourage outdoor play and exercise to restore energy and strength 5) Support emotions: Notice emotional changes and offer reassurance to help children adjust smoothly.

## PRIMARY (K-5)

### Focus of the month – Managing emotions

**Welcome Back:** We are delighted to welcome everyone back after the Chinese New Year holiday and hope our families enjoyed a joyful and restful time together. This festive season is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate traditions, reconnect with loved ones, and begin the new year with fresh energy and positive intentions. As we return to school, we look forward to a new term filled with learning, growth, and exciting opportunities for our students. May the new year bring happiness, good health, and success to all members of our school community.

**Managing Emotions:** Our focus for February and March is Managing Emotions, an essential life skill that helps students understand their feelings, express themselves appropriately, and respond to challenges in positive ways. Throughout these months, students will learn to recognize different emotions, practice calming strategies such as deep breathing and positive self-talk, and develop empathy by considering how others may feel in different situations. By building these skills, we aim to support students in becoming more resilient, confident, and respectful members of our school community, both in and out of the classroom.

## IMPORTANT DATES

March 20	End of Term 3
March 27	Report Card Conferences (Term 3)
April 4-12	Spring break/Qing Ming Holiday (no school)
April 18	Spring Fair Community Event
April 23	Spring Concert
April 30	Walkathon Fundraiser