



TIS COMMUNITY

HAPPY MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

Mid-Autumn Festival for primary and secondary students will be celebrated from September 14 to September 18. Mid-Autumn Festival is a traditional Chinese celebration that brings families and communities together to enjoy the full moon, express gratitude, and celebrate togetherness. The highlight of the week will be the Monkey King Puppet Show, taking place for students in the theater. Throughout the week, students will also enjoy hands-on cultural activities during Chinese classes, including mooncake making, riddle guessing, and lantern designing. We hope students have a fun and memorable Mid-Autumn Festival celebration!

SECONDARY (6-12)

Building Engagement: One of the keys to building student engagement is to make the learning relevant. When students can understand the real-world applications to their learning, it helps them to answer the fundamental question: *Why are we learning this?* The Secondary division would like to offer periodic presentations to our students to help them know more about various professions and fields of study. Secondary parents who may be willing to come and share their learning and work experiences with our students are asked to communicate with the Secondary Office by email as a first step. (teda.secondary@tedais.org)

Parent Access to Power School: All secondary students and parents have access to PowerSchool, the school's database for assignment and grade reporting. Parents are encouraged to check Power School regularly. From Power School, parents can also find email contact information for all of their child's teachers. Parents may contact the Secondary Office if they need assistance accessing PowerSchool.

October SAT Registration: Students in grades 11 and 12 who wish to take the SAT on October 3 must complete online registration by September 18. If you need assistance, please contact Ms. Du Han as soon as possible.

Secondary Athletics – Season 1

- Sep 17 MS Football v TIS (@TIS)
- Oct. 12 HS V-ball v TIS (@ TEDA & TIS)
- Oct. 14 HS V-ball v WCIT (@ TEDA)
- Oct. 14 MS Football v WCIT (@ WCIT)
- Oct. 17 ISCOT V-ball v IST (@ IST)
- Oct 21 PS/MS/HS Cross Country (@ IST)
- Oct. 24 ISCOT Football (@ WCIT & IST)
- Oct 29-31 ACAMIS Volleyball (@TEDA)

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

PK Learning: PK Moon River & Starlight will explore what makes their families special. Children will talk about their family members, compare family sizes, and create their own family representations using playdough and popstick houses. They will also share a short presentation with classmates, building confidence as they speak, listen, and learn about one another. PK Sunshine will continue exploring early math concepts through shapes and patterns. Children will identify, sort, and create patterns using different shapes, developing their observation, classification, and early problem-solving skills through hands-on activities.

Weather & Wellness: As the weather changes from summer to autumn, please keep an eye on temperature changes and adjust your child's clothing accordingly.

Parenting Corner - Encouraging Words Parents Can Use: Consistent encouragement helps children grow in confidence and resilience. Here are some positive phrases you can use at home:

- "I'm proud of how brave you were today."
- "I love seeing you try new things."
- "You're getting better at going to school every day."
- "It makes me happy to hear about your friends and activities."

PRIMARY (K-5)

Focus of the month – Diversity and Respect

Mid-Autumn Festival Activities: Next week, our Chinese Department will host a series of exciting Mid-Autumn Festival activities. Primary students will have the opportunity to explore and experience Chinese culture through a variety of fun, hands-on activities, as well as enjoy a special performance of The Monkey King Puppet Show.

Health Check: Student Health Checks are scheduled for September 15. If you haven't returned the Student Health Information form to your child's homeroom teacher, please make sure to do so by September 14.

Table Tennis Exchange: On September 18, students from Grades 3, 4, and 5 will join the Table Tennis Exchange at IST. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to engage in friendly competition and sportsmanship. We wish them all the best!

Cooler Weather: The weather has been getting cooler, especially in the mornings and evenings, which is a nice change from the recent heat. Please feel free to send a jacket with your child if needed.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sep 25-27	Mid-Autumn Festival (no school)
Sep 28-Oct 4	National Day Holiday (no school)
Oct 16	End of Term 1
Oct 23	Term 1 Report Card Conferences (no classes)