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ID Cards

Please continue to wear your ID badge each day. We have noticed a drop off in the number of parents doing so and from next week our guards will be reinforcing this important security measure and will not permit access to any adult without their pass. Thanks for helping us protect the safety of our students.

Menu

Thank you for reading the Menu when it is sent home to you on Monday and returning it by Wednesday of each week. We are keen for your child to look at this with you, make choices, and try new things.

We continue to enhance our menu with varied choices and different morning and afternoon snacks. New additions include chicken and mushroom baozi, soy bean and spare rib soup and portuguese egg custard tarts.

Chef Lin uses no MonoSodium Glutamate in his food as we aim to be healthy and natural.



Moving On Up

We are delighted with the progress our students have made in the past few weeks. As children come through the gates in the morning we are greeted with smiles, waves and enthusiasm about starting each new day. In just three weeks we have seen a transformation and are proud of the development in our students and our school as a whole.

All our students from K1-K3 have now enjoyed both PE sessions with Mr John and Golf lessons with Teacher Jack. Students have demonstrated great enthusiasm in their physical learning and we look forward to nurturing our budding athletes and sportspeople in years to come!





Parent Information Sessions

Our last session was held on Thursday 10th September and focused on Communication Channels. We were impressed with the turn out and hope the session was useful. Class Parents have now been established for each class so please be sure to connect with them and share your contact details if you wish.

At our next session we will look at 'Curriculum Overview' which aims to give a synopsis of the different and varied elements of our programme:

Date: Monday 21st September

Time: 8:45-9:30am, after drop off

Location: Music & Dance Room

The various strands and elements of our curriculum, will be expanded upon in greater detail in future information sessions.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Inquiry Units

Next week, on Friday 25th, your child's teachers will send you home the Weekly Message, as usual. However, please be on the lookout for a special edition. Each Quarter your child will be focusing on a different Inquiry Unit and early in each Quarter your teachers will provide you with more information on the Unit - the Values and Virtues that will be focused upon, the provocations that will be used, questions that will be posed and some activities that will be used to engage in that Inquiry Unit.

Outside Learning

The students are having a great time learning outside at the moment - in addition to their PE and Golf classes we have brand new bikes, trikes, taxis, scooters and cars to play on as well as new toys in our sand pit. Students use these to develop both their physical and their social skills as they learn to share and take turns.

School Buses

Our school buses have been safely delivering students and collecting students to and from school on time over the past couple of weeks. However, we are aware that the journey times for some of our students is still too long. In response to this our School Board have sanctioned the addition of an additional bus route in order to minimise travel time for our students.

We appreciate the importance of positive morning routines and know that extended periods of time on the buses is to be avoided. Our team is working as quickly as possible to enhance the service to Bus Line B and expedite all processes involved. More information will follow to those families who will be affected.



Traffic Control

When dropping your child at school, please be mindful of the safety of students and the flow of traffic. School buses and a multitude of cars need to make their way to the school entrance, with children dismounting to come in to and out of school. As such we respectfully request that no cars park in the circular 'drop-off zone' outside the main entrance. On the roadway leading to the circular driveway please be sure to park close to the curb and not block other cars. Thanks for your help in making our local environment safe for our students.

Halloween Coming Soon

We will have our first whole school celebration on Friday October 30th. We will celebrate Halloween by inviting all our students and staff to wear fancy dress costumes. Please talk to your child about what they might like to wear on the day to give yourself time to prepare your costume. We love homemade outfits best of all as they give children the chance to develop their creativity and express themselves!



Doctor's Corner

Over the past few weeks, teachers have been working with children to focus on daily health and hygiene routines such as handwashing. Do you know how to wash your hands in correct way? This week Dr Lin visited all classes in the Pre School to demonstrate good hand washing technique and promote positive hygiene habits.

Useful tips:

- It takes at least fifteen seconds to wash your hands properly – this is about how long it takes to sing 'Happy Birthday to You' twice through!
- Encourage children to wash their hands by showing them how to do it, and by setting them a good example.

How to wash your hands:

- Wet hands with water
- Apply enough soap or handwash to cover all hand surfaces
- Rub hands palm to palm
- Right palm over the other hand with interlaced fingers and vice versa
- Palm to palm with fingers interlaced
- Backs of fingers to opposing palms with fingers interlocked
- Rotational rubbing of left thumb clasped in right palm and vice versa
- Rotational rubbing, backwards and forwards with clasped fingers of right hand in left palm and vice versa
- Rinse hands with water
- Dry thoroughly with towel
- Duration of procedure: At least 15 seconds

Please work with your child to follow these steps when washing hands, always using soap and being thorough. This important habit is one of the most efficient ways of preventing the spread of diseases.

Stay healthy and happy!

