



# ST CHRISTOPHER'S INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

17th August 2018

Dear Parents

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you and your child to St. Christopher's for another exciting year. All staff have been in school this week organising the classrooms and facilities, preparing to welcome you on Monday 20th August.

With the new academic year upon us, I would like to update you on some important developments that have / will take place at the school.

### **Summer Works**

Over the break, there has been a lot of work carried out around the school.

Converting the Parent's Room into a Cafe and Toilet

Creating a Multipurpose space behind the PE Office

Installing a slide in the Kampung Playground

Building a New Early Years Playground (to be finished at the end of September)

### **New Staff**

This year we welcome seven new teachers and one Teaching Assistant to SCIPS. They have been in Penang for a few weeks and settled into their homes and the school.

Jonathan Cannon	Music Teacher	Hannah Phillips	Year 3
Millie Harries	Nursery	Dean Isherwood	Year 5
Chloe Walker	Year 2	Jennifer Finnigan	Year 6
Jasmine Cheong	MFL TA	Sabine Bruggemann	German

### **School Website and Social Media**

Website We regularly upload and update information on our website [Click Here](#)

Facebook We post news and pictures from our important events [Click Here](#)

Twitter We post regular updates and notices [Click Here](#)

### **Annual Academic Calendar 2018/19**

The school's term dates, public holidays as well as when the school is closed, will be sent to you as well as being available on the website. [Click Here](#)

### **Key Dates**

Each term we identify the major events that will be happening and create a Key Dates document. You will be sent this information and we also post it on our website. [Click Here](#)

All the school events can be found on our online calendar. [Click Here](#)



# ST CHRISTOPHER'S INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

## **Parent Handbook**

The Parent Handbook is on the school website. This document will be able to answer most of your questions about the school and the expectations of both you and your child. [Click Here](#)

## **Term 1 Curriculum Booklets**

The Term 1 Curriculum Booklets are on the school website. In this document you should be able to find all the information you need that is relevant to the academic and curriculum provision offered at the school. [Click Here](#)

## **Student Planners**

This year we are introducing Student Planners for Year 1 - 6. These planners are for the students to record information that they need to remember such as homework days, special events and key dates. It is not a communication diary and so parents and teachers do not need to monitor them. Your child will be encouraged to form good organisational and planning habits through the use of these planners.

## **School Bus**

The school does not run its own bus service, but to support the current provider, we have installed a camera to safeguard the children's wellbeing. Although the camera will record all journeys, it will only be viewed if there is a need to do so.

## **Questionnaire**

In previous years, the school has sent out a parent questionnaire over the summer enabling us to know what you think about the school and support decision making for the future. The response has often been low, so this year a questionnaire will be sent at the end of Term 1. This will enable us to respond immediately to any common issues as well as plan for changes in the next academic year.

## **Welcome Parents Information Evening**

On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August, you are welcome to come and meet your child's new class teacher. All year groups will run two identical sessions; one starting at 6.00pm and another at 6.30pm. This will allow those parents who have children in different year groups, to attend more than one presentation. In their presentation, teachers will introduce themselves as well as explain about the curriculum for the coming year as well as key events your child will be involved in. Please also use this time to ask any questions that you may not be sure about.

## **Parent Contact Information**

As we start the new term, can I remind you that if you have made any changes to any of your contact details over the summer, please do let us know so that we are able to contact you should we need to for any reason.



# ST CHRISTOPHER'S INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Parent Teacher Committee Coffee Morning**

The PTC will be holding their first Coffee Morning on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 8.15am in the Cafe. This will be an opportunity for parents to come together and reconnect after the summer as well as welcome any new parents to the school. If you would like to find out about / join the PTC then please come along.

Regards

Martin Towse  
Principal