



ST CHRISTOPHER'S INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal's eNews

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Dear Parents,

It is pleasing to have the school back to normal after the disruptions over the past month. With numerous Public Holidays and then the Haze, I know how frustrating and anxious everyone has been. I wish to thank the entire school community for their advice, support and patience during this time.

Regarding the Haze, I would like to inform you of a few developments that resulted from this problem. Firstly, the school invested in its own air quality reader to support the decision-making process. I am sure everyone is aware of the numerous and varied devices that can monitor the pollution levels and these can be misleading, particularly when the haze can be very localised. Secondly, the Board of Governors have agreed to a contingency plan for this year, should the haze return. That is, we will place air purifiers into the classes of our most vulnerable students, those being Nursery and Reception as well as those children who have been diagnosed with respiratory conditions.

Please note, further discussions and decisions about the haze and the school's response, will be carried out later in the year.

Payment of School Fees

Thank you to everyone for their prompt payment of school fees. With a large number of students attending the school, tracking school fees payment can at times be difficult. To help support the school, please can I remind you that it is vital that the **invoice reference number** shown on the school bill is used when transferring or paying money into the school account.

Academic Term Dates 2020/21

Dates for 2020/21 are now published on the website <http://www.scips.org.my/school-life/academic-year-dates/>

Parent Questionnaire

In the coming weeks, I will be sending out a parent survey and this year, the school would like to carry out a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) Analysis. The information provided will be added to the responses of the Staff and Governors. With this information, the school will be able to create a development plan that will guide and support growth and improvement for the next 5 years.

Student Leadership

Student Leadership is an important part of life in the school, and it is pleasing to report that the number and quality of applicants from our Year 6 students for the various roles have been strong. Along with the Prefects, House Captains and Librarians, we have added a new role of eCadet.

With electronic devices incorporated into our daily lives and the need for education around the correct usage and how to stay safe, these eCadets through training and support will become the school's online safety experts.

Message from the Parent-Teacher Committee (PTC)

On Wednesday 16th October at 8.15 am in the Staffroom, the PTC will be meeting to discuss the organisation and preparation for their next event, a Halloween Disco to be held on Friday 8th November 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm. If any parent would like to help with this event, please come along or contact Nadia (nadiaibis@hotmail.com)

Enjoy your Weekend,



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