



ST CHRISTOPHER'S INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal's eNews

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Dear Parents,

The joy and excitement of returning to school after the holidays were unfortunately short-lived for many of the students and staff with an MCO announcement on Tuesday 12th January.

The home learning program has had a few tweaks due to constructive feedback from parents, students and teachers. These small changes will support parents and students with submitting work and make it easier for everyone to know when to attend online meets and find support when needed.

It is easy to focus on what the children are missing whilst being away from school, however, during the previous CMCO parents, students and teachers, reported an increase in students' independence, adaptability and resilience and were much more able to cope with home learning. These Personal Goals help in this current situation and will support them throughout the rest of their lives.

Message From the Head of Juniors - Ms Green

The Juniors have had an excellent start to their home learning, with all year groups now going 'live'. It means all of the students have access to two live teaching sessions each day with their class teacher and additional sessions with their specialist teachers, with the ability to ask questions and clarify their learning before starting on any related activities.

Message From the Head of Early Years and Infants - Mr Sam

A big thank you for your flexibility this week. Some of you have had to adapt to the new online learning timetable and the challenges that come with supporting your children from home. Others have been able to bring their children to school and have helped us by following the new drop off and picking up arrangements. Thank you.

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The 58th AGM was scheduled to be held on Tuesday 26th January at 6.00 pm and was due to take place in the School Hall. With the MCO in place, these arrangements will not be possible, and the Chair of Governors is in discussions with the Company Secretary to identify the best way forward. He will make a decision next week, and I will send out the details to all parents.

Federation of British International Schools In Asia (FOBISIA)

FOBISIA is a regional federation of the leading British international schools in Asia, and SCIPShas been an active member of this group for over 30 years. Our students and teachers have benefitted from the numerous events, conferences and workshops they organise. Through these events, our students and teachers from different countries and cultures can interact and enjoy working together on common interests.

Below is a copy of their latest newsletter and further details can be found on the [FOBISIA](#) website.

Enjoy the weekend and Stay Safe.

Martin Towse





- FOBISIA started as a small group of headteachers working in SEA over 30 years ago.
- We are now a diverse and inclusive community of 79 Member Schools and growing.
- We connect teachers to share best practice and access leading educational thinkers.
- We bring students together for enrichment activities across a range of learning areas.
- We represent an important educational link between Asia and the United Kingdom.
- Our reach extends from Mongolia to Indonesia, and Kazakhstan to Japan.

UPCOMING Student Events

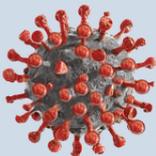
- ✦ Virtual Swimming Championships
- ✦ Online Short Story Competition
- ✦ In-country Varsity Basketball Invitational
- ✦ Online Art Competition
- ✦ Primary Maths Challenge

Student Event HIGHLIGHTS

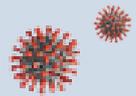
- ✦ Virtual Film & Animation Festival
- ✦ Online Maths and Science Competitions
- ✦ Online Design & Technology Competition
- ✦ In-country Gymnastics Invitational
- ✦ Inaugural Race4Good Challenge

Surviving the Pandemic

Schools are experiencing many challenges, such as mobility restrictions, isolation, financial hardship, and exam cancellations. **FOBISIA Member Schools have all:**



- Demonstrated remarkable compassion and resilience in the face of a global pandemic;
- Successfully transitioned from classrooms to online learning within weeks;
- Collaborated on their responses to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students; and
- Maintained teacher motivation and welfare by sharing their experiences during the pandemic.



Race4Good with Linda Cruse



Online Maths Competition



Virtual Photography Festival



Virtual Film & Animation Festival

DID YOU KNOW?



1,968,789 questions were answered by 2,665 students from 31 Member Schools in the Online Science Competition

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