



# ST CHRISTOPHER'S INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Principal's eNews

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Dear Parents,

Happy Chinese New Year to all the school community. Yesterday was reminiscent of pre-pandemic times, as the children were able to celebrate this special occasion in their year groups, participating in various themed activities. We also welcomed the Hong Guan Sports Gymnasium, who performed their drumming and lion dance show in the middle of the field.

Yesterday also saw the Board of Governors meet before the 59th Annual General Meeting. It is pleasing to report that they will be meeting again in March to begin work on a new Strategic Development plan.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the 59th AGM. Two items to report were, that the school is still awaiting MOE response to the expansion to Year 7 and 8 and also that school fees will not be increasing next year. Any shortfall in the 2022/23 budget will be offset using the school's financial reserves.

Please can I take this opportunity to remind parents to sign up for [Skoolbag](#) as it is the simplest way for us to connect with you and our community. In addition, we are posting more on our [Facebook](#) page, so please do take a look.

### Random Weekly Testing

You will have received an email explaining that we now have to implement random weekly testing of children in Year 2 - 6. Thank you to the parents who were supportive and completed the online form this week. This enables us to have the necessary documentation for the District Health Department.

I expect that following these guidelines, your child should not need to be tested more than once a term. These new measures will support the return to normal school operations.

### After School Activities (ASA)

It is excellent news that we can start our ASAs program again on Monday 7th February.

### Year 6 Graduation

With so many activities and celebrations cancelled over the past year, it is wonderful that we will be able to celebrate last year's Year 6 leavers with a graduation dinner. Typically held in their final term, graduation is the perfect way to celebrate their years at SCIPS. We have finally been able to book this event and it will be held in February.

### World Book Day

Advance notice that we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. It will be a chance for staff and students to dress up as their favourite book characters and get involved in lots of reading activities.

Enjoy the CNY holiday, and I look forward to welcoming the children back on Thursday 3rd February.

Martin Towse