



TIS COMMUNITY

Welcome to semester 2 of the 2024-2025 school year. Please consider the following suggestions for a successful semester: 1) Help your child stick to a routine that prioritizes learning before leisure. 2) Utilize the tools available to stay informed (PowerSchool, Seesaw, Teams, Jump Rope). 3) Carefully read through all school communications including the Weekly Bulletin. 4) Don't delay in addressing concerns: Communicate with your child's teachers so they can better meet your child's needs. 5) Try to attend all school events especially learning celebrations and showcase events. 6) Recognize your child's accomplishments and the efforts made by your child's teachers.

SECONDARY (6-12)

Semester 1 Excellence: Over the holiday, special letters of recognition went out to those secondary students who earned grades of 90% or higher in all their classes for the first semester of studies. Performing at such a high level across six demanding classes is a significant accomplishment and one which can only be achieved through hard work and drive.

Access to Power School: All secondary students and parents have access to PowerSchool, the school's database for assignment and grade reporting. Parents are encouraged to check Power School regularly and contact the teacher if you have any questions about grades or assignment completion. Parents may contact the Secondary Office if they need assistance accessing PowerSchool.

Weekly Learning Bulletins for Parents: Parents of students in grades 6 through 12 can keep up with the topics and skills being taught by reading the Weekly Learning Bulletin that is sent out in the beginning of the week (via WeChat). If you are not receiving this important school communication, please contact the Secondary Office.

Daily Homework Bulletin for Parents: Each afternoon (Monday through Friday), the Secondary Office sends the Daily Homework Bulletin to parents of students in grades 6 through 8 (via WeChat). Students also receive this homework reminder through Teams.

Important Dates in Secondary

January 6	First Class Day of Semester 2
Jan 15-18	ACAMIS B-Ball Tourney
Jan 20-24	Lunar New Year Activities
Jan 24	Secondary Speech Contest
Jan 25-Feb 9	Spring Festival Holiday (no classes)
February 10	Teacher Workday (no classes)
March 21	High School Lock-In
Mar 25-26-27	PSAT (G10-G9-G8)

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Happy New Year! After two weeks of rest, I hope the children return to school full of positive energy and excitement. Wishing everyone a fresh start and a year filled with growth, joy, and new opportunities!

PreK Learning: PK3 students will explore winter weather, including snow, cold temperatures, and snowflakes. They will engage in hands-on activities to learn about building snowmen, combining creative play with science. PK4's will focus on shapes, sizes, sorting, and patterning, enhancing their math skills through activities that involve identifying, categorizing, and creating patterns.

Help Your Child Build a Healthy Routine

- 1) A solid routine helps children develop healthy habits while teaching valuable life skills such as time management and organization.
- 2) A consistent routine provides a sense of security, helping children feel more confident and in control of their daily lives.
- 3) A well-structured routine can improve a child's sleep patterns, appetite, and overall well-being.

PRIMARY (K-5)

Focus of the month – Courageous choices

Welcome to Term 3

Welcome back from the winter break! We hope you had a restful and joyful holiday season filled with wonderful memories. As we step into this new term, we're excited to continue building on the successes of the first half of the year. Let's approach the months ahead with renewed energy, enthusiasm, and a commitment to learning, growing, and achieving great things together.

Courageous Choices

This month, our focus is on making courageous choices. To kick things off, Ms. Bella will host a mini assembly introducing this important virtue. Starting Term 3, Mr. Randall and Ms. Joanna will swap the VIVA groups to align the VIVA classes with our monthly virtues, fostering meaningful discussions and personal growth. Let's make this term a time of brave choices and positive actions!

Kind Reminder

We understand it may take some time for students to adjust back to their school routines. To support their learning, please ensure your child arrives at school on time. Lateness can impact their engagement in core subjects like Math and Language, which are taught early in the day. Let's work together to help them start the term strong and stay on track!

IMPORTANT DATES

January 6	First Class Day of Semester 2
Jan 25 - Feb 9	Spring Festival Holiday (no school)
February 10	Teacher Training Day (no school)
February 11	Classes Resume