

US WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Important Dates

- **November 18:** Bingo Night
- **November 18:** MS Boys and Girls Cross River Soccer Event
- **November 18:** Varsity Girls Basketball Tournament at SCIS
- **November 22:** Varsity Girls Basketball vs Jincai
- **November 23:** Waterloo Math Contest
- **November 24:** Teacher Professional Development Day (no school)
- **November 25:** Boys JV and Varsity Tournament in Nanjing
- **November 30:** Upper School Winter Arts Night
- **December 1:** HS StuCo De-Stress Fest
- **December 6th-11th:** Semester Exams
- **December 15th:** International Breakfast and Awards Assembly Early Dismissal

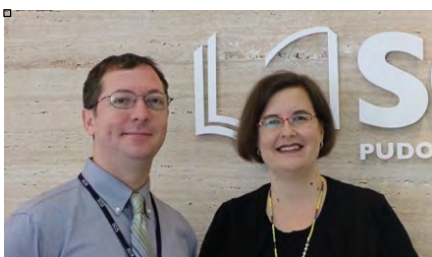
Visit the SCIS calendar for the most up-to-date information.

Click on the following link:

[Master Calendar](#)

Still asking, "How was school today?" Changing the question may result in a more interesting answer. Next time try:

"Who made you laugh today?"



Grade 7 and 8 students prepare for their acrobatics performance for the Lower School

Principals' Message

Dear SCIS Families,

This week students and teachers were hard at work inside and outside of the classroom. Teachers started the week with an all school professional development activity on Monday afternoon. Teachers worked in mixed groups from across the school to further develop their knowledge, skills, and practices related to assessment. Monday's work will form the foundation for the all school professional development work that will be done during the inservice on November 24th.

In the classrooms teachers and students are beginning to prepare students for the end of semester exams and summative assessments which will take place December 6th through the 11th. Please see the attached exam schedule for further details. Outside the classroom our student athletes are busy this weekend with MS soccer playing in their cross river event and girls and boys varsity basketball in action on the court. We encourage everyone to come out and support your Dragons!

Finally, we have a number of community events coming up which will give us a chance to spend some family fun time together. This Saturday's Bingo Night promises to be exciting with over 300 people already signed up. With the upcoming holiday season there are also a number of other opportunities to get together. The Hongqiao campus will be hosting a winter carnival next Saturday November 25th and we have our Upper School Winter Arts Night on November 30th. We hope to see many of you at these events!

Kind regards,

Frank Volpe, PhD
Upper School Principal

Naomi Shanks
Upper School Vice Principal

Notes

First Annual SCIS Winter Carnival on Saturday, November 25 from 11-4pm

We are excited to announce that SCIS, with the support of our Hongqiao PAFA, will be hosting our First Annual Winter Carnival on the SCIS Hongqiao Main campus. We have partnered with the Community Center Shanghai who will host their Winter Bazaar full of great crafts, holiday gift items, and much more. This will be a magical afternoon for the entire family to enjoy, including festive foods, games, activities, student performances, winter shopping, and more! You won't want to miss this special community event. Please look for more information coming soon.

ASA Buses and Post-Game Drop-off: Parents' please note that ASA buses and game day return transportation is only scheduled to stop at the designated ASA drop off locations. Only our 3pm bus service is designed to take students from school to their compounds directly. Each year we readjust our ASA and competition bus pickup and drop-off locations based on the geographic locations for the majority of our ASA participants. We choose locations that best accommodate our families while trying to be as efficient as possible in the context of Shanghai traffic. The locations have been chosen because they provide optimal safety and convenience for all students. Please see our ASA drop-off locations on our SCIS-Pudong portal: <http://pd.scis-his.net/content/asa-bus-drop-point>

Morning Bus Pick-Up Reminders: Please ensure your child arrives on time for bus pick-up in the morning. The bus will not wait for students who are late in the morning. Doing so causes all the students on the bus to arrive late for school. To help keep us on schedule, I have instructed to drivers to leave the bus stop promptly on time. To prevent problems, please be sure that your child arrives at the bus stop prior to his/her scheduled departure. If you have any bus questions, contact our transportation coordinator Stu Ren at pd-transportation@scis-china.org. Thank you for your help in keeping our bus times on schedule.

SCIS Parent Email

Official school communications are only sent to @scis-parent.org email accounts that are provided to all SCIS parents. If you have not yet set up your SCIS parent email account, please head to <http://schoolid.scis-china.org> to create your email address, set your recovery email, and connect your children to your account. If you have any questions about this process, please contact Barry Johnson at pd-technology@scis-china.org.

Attendance

Please use ManageBac, email, or call Jelly Ling, the Upper School Secretary, if your student will be absent. Jelly can be reached at jling@scis-china.org

Transportation

Please contact Stu Ren with any questions or concerns regarding transportation. Stu can be reached at sren@scis-china.org

Uniforms

Please help to ensure your student is in uniform each day. We were flexible with students over the first week to ensure that everyone had the opportunity to purchase uniforms. Now that uniforms are in hand, we will be strictly enforcing the dress code in alignment with the Upper School Parent-Student Handbook.



SCIS Pudong Arts Department Presents

WINTER ARTS NIGHT

November 30, 2017

Drama Performance at 4:30

Art and Design Gallery opens at 6:00

Music and Drama Performances begin at 6:30

Semester I Exam Schedule

SCIS-Pudong Upper School

December 2017

	Wednesday 6 Dec A	Thursday 7 Dec B	Friday 8 Dec A	Monday 11 Dec B
8:00 - 8:55	A1	B1	A2	B2
8:55 - 9:10	Break			
9:10 - 11:10	A2 Exam	B2 Exam	A1 Exam	B1 Exam
11:10 - 11:55	Lunch			
11:55 - 12:50	A3	B3	A4	B4
12:50 - 1:00	Break			
1:00 - 3:00	A4 Exam	B4 Exam	A3 Exam	B3 Exam

Unless a teacher has made other arrangements, all exams are held in classrooms.

In the MYP, "Exams" are no more heavily weighted than other summative assessments for progress towards the criteria. Teachers are free to use this time for any form of summative assessment, and should not feel limited to formal examination approaches, though this may be appropriate in some subjects, particularly in Grades 9-10.

Grade 11-12 Exams should be based on IB assessment components and graded according to IB style markschemes. This may be one complete Paper, or combine components of multiple Papers.



**IT'S THAT
TIME AGAIN**

**HOLIDAY SEASON
PLEASE JOIN PAFA FOR A FUN
DAY OF HOLIDAY SHOPPING AND
LUNCH**

WHERE:

HONGQIAO FLOWER MARKET & LUNCH AT FATCOW

WHEN:

**MEET AT SCIS ON NOVEMBER 21ST @9AM TO GO
BY BUS. WE WILL RETURN BEFORE 3PM**

RSVP

POPAFA.EVENTCO@SCIS-CHINA.ORG

BUS FEE IS 50 RMB PER PERSON



IT'S
GONNA
GET
UGLY

OR CUTE OR FUNNY OR JUST PLAIN BEAUTIFUL
AT PAPA'S DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING

IT'S POTLUCK TIME

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH
AT 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

bring a dish to share and wear your favorite holiday sweater

SCIS
HONGQIAO-PUDONG

Shanghai Community
International School
PAPA
Parents and Alumni Association



First Annual
Winter
Carnival 

SATURDAY, NOV. 25TH

1161 Hongqiao Road

Between Yao Hong Road & Yili Road



Long-press the QR code
and choose 'extract QR code'
to learn more and join the fun!