

# LS WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## Important Dates

- **February 13<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>:** NWEA MAPs testing for students in Grades 2-5
- **February 24:** Lower School Assembly featuring 5C and “Twin Day” Spirit Day.
- **March 7:** LS Principal’s Coffee Morning on Student-Led Conferences at 9:00am and PAFA General Meeting
- **March 10:** Lower School Assembly featuring 3J and “Book Character” Spirit Day
- **March 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>:** Student-Led Conferences
- **March 17:** PAFA sponsored Teacher Appreciation Day
- **March 24<sup>th</sup>:** Silly Clothes Day Lower School Assembly (5P)



*These beautiful self-portraits created by students in Grades 2-5 are displayed outside of the Lower School Art Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. During this unit, students learned about the artistic elements of emotion, facial proportion, line, and color. Children were able to choose from colored pencil, oil pastels, watercolor, or tempera paint to complete their portrait. Amazing work from our talented SCIS artists!*

Dear Parents,

We’ve had another great week filled with fun and engaging learning throughout the Lower School at SCIS-Pudong. On Monday, students enthusiastically celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School, while Tuesday brought class photos and Valentine’s Day celebrations. All grade levels have now begun their fourth unit of inquiry for the school year and students are actively participating in inquiry-based learning experiences surrounding a range of new topics and ideas.

**Student-Led Conferences (SLC’s)** are less than a month away, taking place on March 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Appointment

times will be sent home during the week of February 27<sup>th</sup>. Upper and Lower School will coordinate to ensure there isn’t overlap of times for families who have children in both divisions. Students will be dismissed at 11:30am on both days and therefore, lunch will not be provided. Expect more on SLC’s in an upcoming LS Bulletin.

**Mid-Semester Reports** will be sent home to parents via their school email accounts on Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. The format of the Mid-Semester Report will be similar to October Mid-Semester Report through which teachers provided succinct but specific feedback on student progress towards learning expectations across subject areas.

The next **School Spirit Day** will take place on **Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**. The

theme is **Twin Day**. On this day students will be able to come to school dressed in the same or a similar outfit as one friend, two friends, or a group of friends. There will also be a Lower School Assembly on this day featuring 5C.

**NWEA MAPs testing** will continue for students in Grades 2-5 next week. For more information on this assessment please visit <https://www.nwea.org/assessments/map/>

Have a fantastic weekend!

*Liz Gale*  
Lower School  
Principal



## It's the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School

On Monday, students throughout the school celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school by participating in a variety of fun mathematically based activities!



## Teacher Appreciation Day

is scheduled for Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Prior to this event we would like to ask all students to think of one, two or a few words that describe their teacher(s). Students are asked to write their words on a heart shaped cut-out which they can further decorate at home. Students are asked to create a heart for each teacher they have and bring their heart(s) to Ms. Vicky in the front office on or before February 27<sup>th</sup>. An announcement surrounding this small, but very meaningful project will also be made at next week's LS Assembly.

Grade 2 students in Mr. Goff's and Ms. McCabe's class wrapped up their unit on Simple Machines this week. As part of the summative assessment, students were required to build a compound machine designed to solve a problem using two or more simple machines. Incredible and creative engineers at work!



Students in Grade 1 began their new unit of inquiry this week on *Who We Are: Healthy Living*. They kicked off the unit by working in groups to sort a variety of food. Students were asked to think about why they considered certain foods healthy and other foods unhealthy.



Re-Enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year is officially underway! If your family has not received a re-enrollment email from the SCIS Admissions Department, please contact them directly at [admission@scis-his.org](mailto:admission@scis-his.org).

## Student Photos Ready for Online Ordering

Parents, you can now submit your online orders for student and class photos by visiting [www.intlphotography.com](http://www.intlphotography.com) and entering the password **scis0816**. You can order photos from our Fall picture session and our recent Class & Retake session.

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