



PRIMARY SCHOOL

ESLR – Knowledge Seeker, Virtue – Enthusiasm

- Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you have all had a wonderful time catching up with family and friends!
- With the winter weather, it's a good time to make sure that all jackets, hats, gloves are clearly named. The lost property baskets are located in the cafeteria and in the gym.
- Term 3 clubs will start on January 14th. Please contact Ms. Colette via emailing at czhang@tedais.org if you need assistance.
- Please remember that parents need to be outdoors with their children if you are staying for after school play. Safety is our priority and close supervision is important.

EARLY CHILDHOOD ACADEMY

- **Happy 2019 to all our families!** We hope that you had an enjoyable holiday with your family and friends and look forward to all the great times we are going to have together in this our second semester.
- **Winter Clothing:** Please ensure that your child is able to put on their winter outdoor gear as independently as possible with the minimal adult assistance. Outdoor or snow pants should fit loosely over indoor pants; jackets with zips are easier than buttons; and mittens are easier than gloves for little hands.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - ⇒ January 9th - Professional Learning Day: Early dismissal: PK2/3 11:30 a.m., PK4 11:45 a.m.
 - ⇒ January 28th – February 1st: Chinese Cultural Week

SECONDARY SCHOOL

- Congratulations to Cao Jing (Humphrey) on her recent acceptance to the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the scholarship offer from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities.
- The semester 1 report cards will be issued to our students on Thursday, January 10th. Parent conferences will be by request. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Secondary Office at 6622-6298.
- On Thursday January 17th, TIS HS Basketball Teams will travel to Wuxi for the annual ACAMIS Basketball Tournament which will be held by Boston International School from Jan. 17-19. We're going to send 20 players and four coaches/chaperones for this event. We wish them good luck! Go Comets!

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

Happy New Year to our entire TIS community! The second semester is starting off with a full slate of academic and community-building activities, from Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) testing for Primary students, to our school-wide celebration of local culture during Chinese Cultural Week. Later this month our High School basketball team is headed to Wuxi for the annual ACAMIS tournament.

During this month's Professional Learning Day our teachers and staff will learn about updates to our Health and Safety Policy, including improved child protection requirements, language development strategies, and technology integration into classroom instruction. All of these activities support our quest for continuous learning for all. As always, we appreciate your support of our efforts to be a center of continuous learning for all.

TIS COMMUNITY

To celebrate the Year of Boar and enable the students to gain more Chinese cultural experiences, Global Awareness Committee is going to host Chinese Cultural Week from January 28th – February 1st.

We will have Beijing Opera Mask Making, Calligraphy, Steam Bread Making, House activity, HS and MS Drama. Most of the activities will take place during Chinese class schedule. The parent letter about this event will be given out this week for more details.

IMPORTANT DATES

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| • January 9 | Professional Learning day (12:00 release) |
| • January 14-25 | Primary MAP testing |
| • Jan. 28-Feb. 1 | Chinese Cultural Week |
| • Feb. 2-17 | Spring Festival (holiday) |
| • February 18 | Classes Resume |
| • March 6 | Professional Learning day (12:00 release) |
| • March 9 | SAT I |
| • March 14-17 | BEIMUN (Beijing Model United Nations @ ISB) |
| • March 22 | End of Term 3 |
| • March 27 | International Day |
| • March 28-29 | Mock AP I |
| • Mar. 30-Apr. 7 | Spring break |
| • April 10 | Professional Learning day (12:00 release) |
| • April 18-19 | Mock AP II |
| • Apr. 29– May 1 | Labor Day (holiday) |

TIS serves a culturally-diverse community and facilitates the growth of each student's unique capacity through high academic standards and real-world application, practical leadership opportunities, character-building and opportunities to serve our local and global communities.