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PRIMARY  
WEEKLY  
NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing the 21st August 2024

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Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all of our new families joining SIS, Rawang this term. We are delighted to see our school community grow as we continue to go from strength to strength. For all our returning families – welcome back!

The start of a new academic year is a time for new beginnings, new faces, friendships and learning. This term, we are joined by several new Primary members of staff: Ms. Daniela (Y1), Ms. Calyn (Y2), Ms. Annette (Y3), Mr. Steve (Y4) and Mr. George (Y6). I know they have met some of you online already, but they are very much looking forward to meeting you face-to-face in our upcoming Primary Curriculum meetings next month.

Our focus in this first short week back has been on ensuring your children feel supported, settled and welcomed in their new classroom environment. Teachers will continue to share more detailed updates with you via Class Dojo. I understand that starting a new year (or new school!) may seem a little daunting for some of our students, and perhaps to you as parents. Please do not hesitate to reach out at any time via Dojo, or alternatively send me an email: [n.monaghan@rawangsisgroup.edu.my](mailto:n.monaghan@rawangsisgroup.edu.my)



## Gentle Reminders

To ensure that your child has a smooth start to the school year, please take note of the following:

1. In light of Malaysia's upcoming Merdeka day celebrations, we will be hosting a primary assembly next week (August 29). As part of the celebrations, children are invited to come to school dressed in traditional clothing.
2. CCAs will start on September 10th. More info will be released over the coming days via Dojo.
3. Please ensure that your child comes to school each day in full uniform.
4. Student registration begins each day at 7:45, so please ensure that your child arrives to school by then.
5. Please ensure that your child has all necessary books and stationary items (labelled clearly).
6. Please ensure that they bring their school ID tag with them to school every day.

We are looking forward to a term of new learning, challenges and accomplishments ahead!

Kind regards,

Ms. Nicola Monaghan  
Head of Primary  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



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**Key Dates:**

Monday September 9th - Parent Curriculum Information Sessions

Friday, September 13th - STEPS meeting

Friday, September 27th - EY Parent Event

Friday, September 27th - Primary parent coffee morning

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# What have we been learning this week

## NURSERY

It was a wonderful start to the first week as we welcomed our Nursery students back, their bright smiles and boundless enthusiasm bringing joy to our classrooms. The days have been filled with excitement and discovery as we embraced new routines and fostered new friendships. Our young explorers eagerly participated in fun activities, created vibrant self-portraits, and added their unique fingerprint art to adorn our classroom door. Their curiosity has blossomed while exploring and engaging with their new learning environment. We're thrilled by this amazing beginning and look forward to an inspiring year of growth and adventure together!

## RECEPTION

What a joy it has been to see our Reception students return to school with so much excitement and those bright, smiley faces! The first week back has been a whirlwind of fun as we settled into our new routines and got to know one another better. From engaging in ice-breaker games to creating their own self-portraits, our young learners have jumped right into the school spirit. They've also been busy exploring their new learning environment, sparking curiosity and a sense of adventure. It's been a wonderful start, and we're all geared up and ready to dive into an exciting year of learning and growth together!



## Year 1

1D has had a great start to the year! We have been getting to know each other and our new classroom routines. It has been amazing seeing students grow and build friendships. This week has had ice-breaker activities, math and some writing. This week has been great for students to prepare for next week to start our IPC, Math and English curriculum. We understand that moving to Y1 is a big transition for your child, and we are here to help as much as possible.



## Year 2

What a wonderful week this has been! A vibrant start to the week with fun-filled activities and get-to-know-you games that helped forge new friendships and strengthen bonds. Classroom agreements were established, setting clear expectations and routines to ensure a smooth transition. Students not only dove into our IPC Brainwave unit through stimulating memory games with excitement but also, tackled a math scavenger hunt with enthusiasm. They showcased too their creativity through art and stories. Our dynamic start has set an exciting tone for the year, blending creativity, exploration, and community-building.



## Year 3

It has been a brilliant first week back in Year 3 - Ms Haifaa, Ms Annette and Ms Alrissa are already super impressed with how kind, polite, enthusiastic and respectful the Year 3 students are!

This week, we have been focusing on getting to know each other and embedding our classroom routines. There have been lots of good struggles in which we have experienced new and consolidation of learning. We look forward to a fantastic year of growing together!



## Year 4

Ms. Pearlina, Mr. Steve and Ms. Vala are thrilled to welcome their students to Year 4. It has been a very busy three days, as we have worked together to review our classroom expectations, and start building positive relationships within the class. We will be off to an exciting start with our IPC Brainwave unit, and we are really looking forward to an exciting term of learning ahead. Please do reach out to us if you have any questions.

# What have we been learning this week



## Year 5

What a fantastic first week it has been, with Year 5 students settling in wonderfully, refreshing their memories of class and school procedures. It's been lovely to see the students embracing the expectations we'll be practicing and modeling throughout the year. It has also been filled with fun activities, including some engaging get-to-know-you games that have helped strengthen the bonds between classmates. The highlight of the week was our dynamic Brainwave: Entry Point activity, our students took on the role of teachers, sharing their individual skills and knowledge within their peers. This collaborative effort has sparked a fascinating journey into understanding the complexities of their own brains. We look forward to building on this exciting momentum in the coming weeks!



## Year 6

Year 6 is delighted to welcome Mr. George to the team! We are happy to see our Year 6 students acting as positive role models for others around the school. Year 6 is an incredibly important year in a child's primary education, and we want to ensure that the children are off to a strong start. We have been completing some baseline assessments to ensure that all students are aware of their current levels, and this will help us to personalise their learning more effectively. More information will be shared with you during our curriculum information sessions soon,



## Mandarin

The Mandarin team is delighted to welcome new and existing students to school. In the first few weeks back at school, we do some refreshers and recap of previous learning, as we are conscious that not all students will have had an opportunity to practice their Mandarin over the summer.

Mr. Dawson, Ms. Liew and Ms. Crystal are all here to support however we can.



## Bahasa Melayu

It has been wonderful to welcome our students back this week, and meet some new faces too. The Bahasa team is looking forward to building students' communication skills and vocabulary this term.

It has been a busy week of classroom organisation, and ensuring that students have the correct Bahasa book to match their level. At any point, if you have any questions, please let us know!



## Music

The Music Department is happy to announce that Mr. Azzmeer has joined us this term. Mr. A loves to perform and support students in their creativity, so we are looking forward to our weekly student music showcase each Friday.

We have a fun term of learning and lessons ahead, and we look forward to sending you more detailed updates soon.

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

*We will be commencing our student of the week awards next week, with certificates given to students during our weekly assemblies on Thursdays.*

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

THIS IS AWARDED TO

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CLASS TEACHER

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# HOUSE POINTS

*EVERY CHILD AT SIS IS PART OF A SCHOOL HOUSE. HOUSE POINTS ARE AWARDED ON A WEEKLY BASIS, AND HOUSE EVENTS TAKE PLACE TWICE PER TERM.*



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Happy Birthday Week

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