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SEMESTER 1 REPORT CARD

In order to give parents a better understanding of their kids' academic performance, school report cards will be issued this week. The hard copy of the report card will be taken home this week. Our teachers will also send the electronic version to parents. Please check it. If you have any questions, please contact your national advisor.

ENGLISH CORNER

YIA English Corner in this semester has opened! This English corner is organized by YIA (Yantai International Academy), which is an English learning sharing space for the whole society. It also provides opportunities for YIA children to provide social services.

Activity time: every Saturday morning 9:00–11:00

Activity location: Yantai economic and technological development zone, 18 hengshan road 123 line ten thousand square base business D7 Bakery & Cafe Cafe

Towards: Any teenagers who want to improve their English level

The improvement of oral English level is never in one day, but in a long term. If you want to improve your spoken English, scan the QR code to book our English Corner.



OLIVER TWIST DRAMA REHEARSAL

Rehearsals for the YIA spring musical are underway! We have an exciting cast of students and it looks like it's going to be an exciting show! Please read the schedule posted carefully to know when you young actor are called. The detailed information was attached at collaboration space, YIA hallway and outside of our drama classroom.



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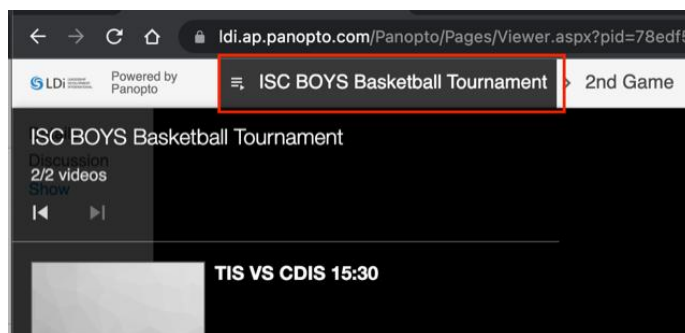
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ISC HS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT LIVESTREAM

The YHIS High School Boy's and Girl's basketball teams are competing in the iSC High School Basketball Tournament in Tianjin on February 10–11. Tianjin International School (TIS) that is hosting the tournament will provide live-stream coverage of the tournament.

To access the live-stream, please click the links ([LINK](#) for boy's games and [LINK](#) for girl's games)

When you open each link, it will take you to a page that is a playlist of all the games played so far in the tournament. To choose a different game, click the playlist link as shown in the attached image, and then click on the game you would like to watch. Games will not show in the list until they have started streaming, so you may need to refresh the link when a new game starts.



WRITING COMPETITION

The writing competition is scheduled for February 25th. Creative Writing is important because it gives students an opportunity to communicate the “human experience.”

Students can reflect on the world around them—the needs, wants, evils, and good in humanity—and express those reflections creatively. The brain is similar to the body.

When body-builders exercise, they cannot only do pushups. They must also run, stretch, and engage all of their muscles. Similarly, healthy writers cannot only engage in academic writing. They must also engage in creative writing to become effective communicators.



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Because of these reasons, this year's writing competition will focus on **flash fiction**. Flash fiction is a complete story that is told in a few paragraphs or less. One of the most famous and shortest examples of flash fiction is this: "For sale: baby shoes, never worn." This is one sentence, but it tells a complete story of anticipation, loss, and grief. During the workshop and competition, students will learn how to write a complete story by expressing a single moment with potent language and strong imagery. Get your pens out, sharpen your pencils, get ready, get set...write!

CHRISTMAS MARKET RAFFLE HELD

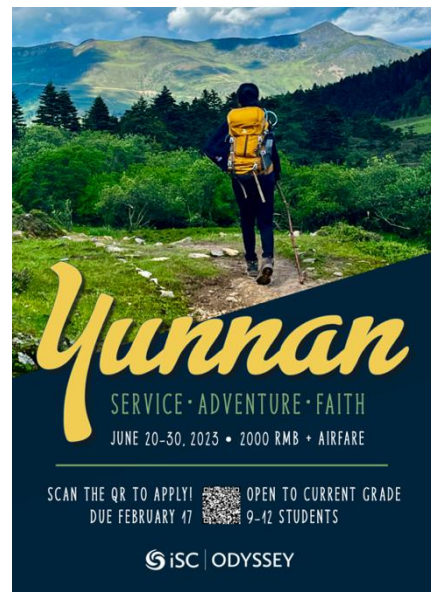
Thank you for submitting your family's raffle tickets. The school held the raffle drawing a few staff members, PTO parents, and High School Student Council yesterday. Prizes have been/will be delivered to winners by Friday, February 10. Proceeds will be donated to the Yantai SOS Orphanage. We truly appreciate your support in sharing warmth and cheer in this season.

YUNNAN SERVICE TRIP OPPORTUNITY

At iSC schools, learning extends beyond the classroom. This summer, our high school students have the opportunity to serve the community and experience new adventures with friends from other iSC schools around China.

Students will earn service hours as they help local farmers, complete small construction projects, and help to maintain a traditional guesthouse. After several days of service, students will enjoy the beauty of the Yunnan mountains on a three-day backpacking trip.

The trip will also allow time for team building, fun, and



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personal reflection. The cost is 2,000 RMB plus airfare and spending money. The application is due February 17, and can be accessed using the link ([HERE](#)) or QR code below.



LUNCH FEE TOP-UP THROUGH BANK of CHINA APP

Please top up money on your child's lunch card through Bank of China APP. For more information, please contact with your national advisor.

SCHOOL JACKET PRICE INCREASE

Our school uniform provider, K12, has raised the price of the thermafleece jacket to cover the cost that has increased over the last two years. As such, the jacket price has changed from 223 RMB to 255 RMB. Thank you for your understanding.

STAFF CONTACT LIST

In order to let parents have a better understanding of their children's learning and living conditions, we will publish the main staff information of the school this semester as follows. If you have any questions, please feel free to consult.

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PARENT ID CARD

If you are a parent of a new student, please refer to national advisor to register for a parent ID. When your ID card is made, we will send it home with your child. Each ID card has a QR code that is unique for each parent/guardian. There will be a QR code scanner on the front desk in the school building. When you come in, please scan your card's QR code with the scanner.



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RECOGNIZING ISC 9 QUALITIES FOR LIFE

Teaching students about the iSC 9 Qualities for Life is an integral part of the character education and development program at YIA. Each month, YIA teaches about a single characteristic and we award students from all grade levels who have demonstrated that characteristic the most. Teachers observe the students throughout the month and nominate winners. For the month of December, our focus was on “Compassion”. We would like to congratulate and recognize the following students leading with empathy among their peers!



Monthly Star Candidates:

- Yiru Chen
- Alice Guo
- Jane Sun

Monthly Star of Curiosity:

- Jane Sun

UPDATED ATTENDANCE POLICY–EPIDEMIC PREVENTION REQUIREMENTS

If a student is unable to arrive at school on time, parents should contact the Chinese tutor at least before 7:50 in the morning and explain the specific reason for the absence. If a student is absent from school for a day, parents should measure their child's temperature in the morning, noon and afternoon, and report the results to the Chinese tutor.



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If students have a temperature of 37.3°C or higher,

- Please keep your child at home and consult a doctor and inform the national advisory stating your child's temperature, symptom(s), and treatment plan.
- The student must remain at home until symptoms resolve and the student is fever free for 48 hours.

If students have COVID-suspect diarrhea,

- The student must remain at home for **72 hours**.

ABSENCE HANDLING PROCEDURES AND POLICIES

1. be late

If students are unable to arrive at school on time, parents should contact the Chinese tutor at least before 7:50 am on the same day. Students who arrive later than 8:00 a.m. should go to the Chinese tutor's office for registration with the "Late Arrival Form" issued by the front desk on the first floor before they can attend class.

Students are warned twice late. Students will be required to have a one-on-one meeting with the principal if they are late three times in a semester

talk. If a student is late frequently during a quarter, the principal will meet with the parents of the late student. The number of late arrivals will be

Cleared at the beginning of each new school season.

2. Leave early

If the student really needs to leave the school before the end of school (due to illness, handling public affairs, doctor's appointment, etc.), parents should contact the Chinese teacher in advance.

3. Excused absence from work

Excused absences include illness, death of family members, and pre-approved family activities.

In cases of excused absence, parents should contact the Chinese tutor at least before 7:50 am on the day of absence. Students who have accumulated more than three absences due to illness in a semester must come to school with a certificate issued by a doctor. If you are absent from work for 2 days or more due to work or illness, you must apply in writing to the principal at least one week in advance.

*Students who are unable to attend classes due to illness will not be able to participate in sports activities.



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4. Unexcused absence from work

Students who are absent without a reasonable excuse will receive zero marks on assignments or exams for the day and will not be eligible for the day after-school activities. Unexcused absences on Friday will result in students not being able to participate in weekend activities.

CAMPUS ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We would like to update you regarding the campus entry requirements. The guard will check the following: a) parent ID card b) mask c) temperature. If you plan to come to school for a purpose other than participating in a school-wide event for which the school has invited you, please continue to inform your child's teacher or parent liaisons about your visit beforehand, so that they can apply for approval from the Head Principal.



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LUNCH MENU

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Choose one	Chinese	Braised Beef with Radish and Carrot	Pork Celery Dumplings	New Orleans Style Baked Chicken Thigh	Spine Stewed Potatoes	Rice Ball
	Western	Spaghetti Bolognese	Korean Bibimbap	Beef Curry	Bacon Ham Pizza	Roasted Chicken Wings
	Korean	Minced Meat Wrapped in Vegetable		Korean Style Boiled Pork	Beef Wrapped in Vegetable	Korean Jajangmyeon Fried Egg ^
2	Meat	Korean Style Roast Chicken Thigh	Poached Pork Slices	Korean Style Stir-fried Rice Cake with Fish Cakes *	Korean Style Fried Chicken	Stewed Mushroom with Chicken
3	Vegetable 1	Stir-fried Potato Slices	Stir-fried Cabbage	Fried Potato Chips	Scrambled Eggs with Tomatoes ^	Stir-fried Vegetables
	Vegetable 2	Stir-fried Cauliflower	Garlic Seasoned Spinach	Butter Broccoli	Korean Style Stir-fried Glass Noodles with Vegetables	Corn Kernels with Orange Juice
4 Choose one	Soup 1	Mushroom Soup #	Sole Fish with Tomato Soup #	Huntun Soup *	Black Rice Porridge *	Tomato Egg Soup ^
	Soup 2	Millet Porridge *	Mixed Congee *	Fish Cake Soup #	Kimchi Beef Soup	Cream Mushroom Soup &
5	Fruits	Seasonal Fruits				
	Grain/Appetizer	Black Rice, Steamed Buns *	Millet Rice, Steamed Buns *	Oats Rice, Steamed Buns *	Black Rice, Steamed Buns *	Rice, Steamed Buns *
Dessert (Western/Korean)		Butter Cookies ^	Butter Cookies ^	Banana Cake ^	Sponge Cake ^	Blueberry Cupcake ^

Allergies:

*Wheat

#Seafood

&Dairy

^Eggs

@Nuts



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