









Shanghai Singapore International School is experiencing a period of enormous development and growth. This is keenly felt this academic year with brand new facilities and programmes enriching the learning experience of our students. We are also in the midst of preparing for the much-anticipated integration of both campuses which takes place officially in August.

While all the latest developments are well-calibrated and the school is keeping abreast with the evolving needs and aspirations of our school community, we ensure that the school is still doing the basic things right.

This year, we welcomed the accreditation team from the Council of International School (CIS) whose responsibility was to validate what we have achieved as a school against the best practices in the international school arena. The team of eleven educational experts from different fields of international education spent a week in school to speak with different members of the school community and to feel and find out for themselves what SSIS is all about.

I am pleased to report that the CIS accreditation team was very impressed with the growth of the school since their last visit five years ago. They were particularly pleased with the strong school-home partnership, the positive involvement of the Parent Support Group in the development of the school and the stability of the School Board-Core Leadership Team relationship. I want to congratulate the SSIS community for the achievement of the CIS Re-Accreditation Award. With your support and contribution, the school can continue to nurture each child to the best of our ability.

The SSIS Annual School Report provides a good summary of our achievements as a school for this academic year while we march forth into the next lap of our development with pride and confidence.

Thank you once again for the journey together!

Mr. TAN Thong Howe

Head of School

CIS Re-Accreditation

Congratulatory Email from the CIS School Support & Evaluation Officer

Dear Thong Howe

I am writing to add my warmest congratulations to you and the whole Shanghai Singapore International School community on the successful outcome of the recent team evaluation visit. The report is an endorsement of all the good work that the school is doing to support student learning and well-being.

I am pleased for you especially knowing the school's commitment to offering high quality education. It is indeed an achievement that should be celebrated. You can feel very proud that SSIS has met the exacting standards of the CIS accreditation program and international standards of best practice in education.

It has been a genuine pleasure to accompany the school on its re-accreditation journey. As the CIS School Support and Evaluation Officer linked to SSIS, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries. I look forward to continuing to work with you as the school strives for continuous improvement. Please pass on my congratulations and best wishes to the whole school community. Well done to everyone!

Best regards Helena Sobulis





Just like a GPS cannot work with a destination, the school cannot move forward without its philosophy, vision and mission. These guiding statements chart the course for the school in our short-term and long-term planning and guide our every-day decision making. SSIS is purpose-driven to realize the vision of a life-long learner with strength of character and love of humanity. Our strategic thrusts over the past 3 years have served us well as we enriched the teaching and learning, enhanced the school structures and systems and engaged the school community.

Campus Integration

After 16 years of memories and achievements, Xuhui campus will officially merge with Minhang Campus to become one integrated SSIS campus. All of our SSIS students, staff and families will be Coming Together to become ONE SSIS FAMILY! To facilitate a smooth transition, we have started the integration process as early as one year in advance. From school expansion projects, planning combined events to standardizing curriculum frameworks, each and every member is preparing for a bigger and better SSIS!

Scholarships

This year marks our second year of offering IBDP Scholarships for Grade 11 & 12 students and our first year offering a scholarship for the Arts and Athletics for Grades 6-11. There were many eager students with rich, thoughtful applications, demonstrating the gifts and talents of our well-balanced and holistic student population.

Future Space Use

Streamlining our bell schedules from AY 2019/20 will allow for better optimization of manpower, school facilities and resources. Moreover, as enrolment increases, more classrooms will undoubtedly be needed as well.

With the completion of the Phase 4 School Expansion Project, AY 2020/21 will see Senior School migrate to Block C which will be closer to their brand new functional teaching block which was specially customized to meet their growing needs.

Primary School will then be housed in the main Blocks A & B for greater cohesiveness and ease of movement for our growing population. The current Primary and Preschool library will get a facelift and Preschool can anticipate a concept play area that incorporates imaginative play and fun right at their door step. Blueprints of learning and play spaces – indoors and outdoors are being planned for.

OUR CURRICULUM





Digital Citizenship

This year, ICT has promoted Digital Citizenship (based on Common-Sense Organization and ISTE curriculum and standards) in age-appropriate form to Primary and Senior students. In Primary school, students are introduced to broad range of online safety, collaboration, copyright and other topics. Grades 7 and 8 covered digital life and media, digital footprint, cyber-bullying and best practices. Digital Citizenship is emphasized all year as students execute activities, projects and tests with the use of broad range of tools and technologies.

STEAM Programme

Although the STEAM Programme is a new SSIS initiative, it has already been successfully introduced to many SSIS students. The overwhelming participation of our STEAM challenges every term as well as our first-ever STEAM Week celebration are evidence of its success.

Robotics Programme

This year SSIS has successfully re-launched the Senior School Robotics Programme, with active engagement from a total of 12 students from Grades 7 to 10. We participated in two friendly meetings, culminating in a very valuable participation on the Shanghai International Schools Activities Conference (SISAC)/First Tech Challenge (FTC) tournament at SAS-Puxi campus. Along with a total of 18 teams, our crew managed to reach 13th place in our very first foray.

For the next year, a more comprehensive programme is being planned, with options for beginners through First Lego League, a FTC tournament for the upper grades and hosting one of the SISAC regional league friendly meetings.



Recruitment of K-12 Curriculum Coordinator

A dedicated professional and an important part of our Core Leadership Team (CLT), Ms. RIZOPOULOU Fenia has worked in many different roles in education for the past 13 years; from an IB educator to an IBEN team member and examiner for TOK and French, she is counted as a true lifelong learner. With her knowledge and experience, we are confident in her abilities to facilitate SSIS teachers understand, plan and implement the curriculum for the school across K-12 for AY 2019/20.







SSIS Average Score 32

SSIS Highest Score 43

Overall IB Diploma Pass Rate 89.7%

*SSIS has an all-inclusive policy for students undertaking the IB Diploma Programme.

This year we have set the goal of increasing our average score to 34. We intend to accomplish this by targeting improvements to our core classes (Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay) and improving differentiation based on individual student needs.





















ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

University Matriculation

Currently our 2019 class has 24 offers to world Top 50 ranked schools including one offer to world ranked # 1 University of Oxford and two offers to world ranked # 8 Imperial College London.

Over RMB 1.45 million in undergraduate scholarships has so far been offered to our students. Majors/courses offered are very diversified.



University of Waterloo Mathematics

The University of Waterloo Mathematics competition is held once a year for Grades 7 & 8, Grades 9-11 and Grade 12. Students from all five continents take part in this intense international mathematics competition. This year over 1500 schools and 62000 students took part in this competition.

Grades 7 & 8 had 3 distinctions and 2 had outstanding achievement certificate.

Grade 9 took the 97th rank with 3 distinctions and 1 medalist.

Grade 10 took 15th place with 8 distinctions and 1 top medalist.

Grade 11 students took 102nd position with 3 distinctions and 1 medalist.

LittleStar Chinese Short Story Writing Competition

SSIS is proud to be the title sponsor and the host for the LittleStar SSIS Chinese Short Story Competition. Sponsoring this competition is aligned with SSIS's focus on the Chinese Language and Culture Programme. SSIS had 40 students of different age groups who won First, Second and Third Prizes for the category "International Students".

Hong Kong Young Writers Award

The theme for this year is the "New Tales of the Ming Treasure Voyages" and a whooping 33 of our SSIS students contributed their writing, in different genres, for this competition. Two SSIS students' who were shortlisted are Anouska PANDA and YANG Si-Han.

Asia Pacific Mathematical Olympiad

A total of 35 students from Grades 5 and 6 from both campuses participated in the first round of this year's Asia Pacific Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools.

Bronze Award Winners: PAN Qi (Grade 6 Pearl), FANG Letian (Grade 6 Amber), SAIGO Momoka (Grade 6 Pearl),

HSU Ting Yen (Grade 6 Ivory)

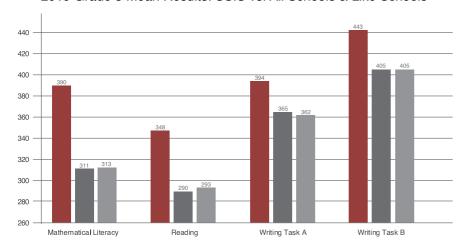
Silver Award Winners: SHI Zhengguo (Grade 6 Ruby) , PARK Gyungmin (Grade 6 Pearl)

Gold Award Winner: FUJII Eita (Grade 6 Ivory)

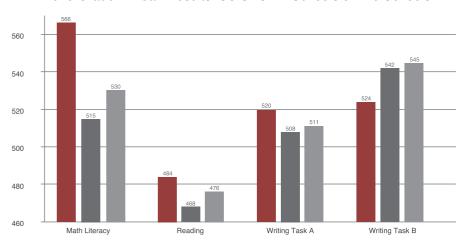
Eita was invited to Hwa Chong Institution in Singapore to compete with his peers from Singapore and the Asia-Pacific region.



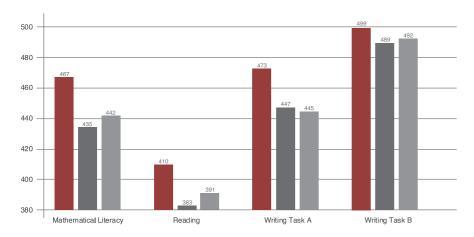
2019 Grade 3 Mean Results: SSIS vs. All Schools & Like Schools



2019 Grade 7 Mean Results: SSIS vs. All Schools & Like Schools



2019 Grade 5 Mean Results: SSIS vs. All Schools & Like Schools



SSIS

All Schools

Like Schools

International Schools' Assessment

SSIS has been taking part in the International Schools' Assessment since 2011 for Grade 3 students and 2016 for Grade 5 students. This year, our Grade 7 students took the tests and provided good insight into our longitudinal cohort study. Our results over the years have been way above the mean scores for all schools and schools with a similar ratio of English speaking background students to non-English speaking background students. It is a testament to the rigour and high standard of the SSIS curriculum. Going forward, we will continue to benchmark against other international schools around the world and look at ways to improve our curriculum and teaching & learning.



Chinese Classical Poetry Recital Competition

SSIS participated in a Chinese Classical Poetry Recital Competition organized by the Shanghai Education Bureau for international schools in Shanghai. This is the first time our teachers and students participated in such a competition and they achieved amazingly good results.

Xuhui Preschool: 1st Place for Preschool Group

Xuhui & Minhang Primary: 2nd Place for Primary School Group

Senior School: 2nd Place for Middle School Group



SPORTS & ACTIVITIES



We believe in offering opportunities in sports and activities for our SSIS students to provide valuable learning outside of the classroom. It is our hope that all students will get involved in an area of interest and find a love for being actively involved. Students can explore new opportunities and further their passions while bringing us closer together as a community.

This year, we focused on improving the quality of Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) and After School Programme (ASP) available for our students. We also expanded our SABRE Saturday Programme to include a number of paid activities by professional external vendors. These activities allow our students to master fundamental skills and aim to progress towards higher level of skills.





SABRE Saturday Programme

Here at SSIS we believe in the importance of holistic learning and development of skills in an area of interest. This year our extra-curricular programmes expanded to 6 partnerships with many great leaders.

- Shanghai Elite Training Club (SETC)
 Kids Triathlon
- Juventus Academy Shanghai Soccer
- SABRE Basketball
- Science Adventures
- Gymnastics with Mike Ness
- Equestrian with Shanghai Sun Island Horse Riding Club (SIHRC)



SSIS Golf Programme

The SSIS golf team just recently concluded their season at the Sun Island Kunshan Golf Club and excitement is already brewing for next fall. Two big events will highlight our golf programme next year with ACAMIS Golf and the inaugural SSIS Senior School Golf Invitational Tournament. We are looking forward to next season as we welcome more students to try-out and test their skills against their peers to make the SSIS golf team.

Brand New Rock Wall

SSIS was fortunate to have a rock climbing wall built for the early years programme this year. It is a great area for our young students to learn the various movements and work muscles they don't often use throughout the day. A great resource for improving strength, flexibility and also challenge their resilience and decision-making to traverse the whole wall.



SSIS Go Swim Programme

SSIS Go Swim Programme works on all of the building blocks to swimming. We aim to equip all our students with swimming skills while enjoying the many benefits of swimming. With the Swimming After School Programme, we hope to groom our very own SSIS Team from a young age and give them the best resources to facilitate competitive swimming.



PRIMARY SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMME





285 Primary students participated in an ASP

STEAM related programmes

3 Culinary Arts

Average 3 sports per student athlete

Active Recreation programmes

1 Summer Concert

1 Invitational Volleyball
Tournament hosted in SSIS

47
Unique
Offerings

10 Creative Arts

55% Grade 6-8 students

participated in CISSA

1 Huacao City Invitational

SENIOR SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMME













5 SISAC Sports 45 Unique Offerings

86% Participation



CHUNG CHI FENG MICHAEL Grade 10

3 ACAMIS
Travelling Tournaments









6 Academic Extension Programmes

Female Athlete

of the year

KAYO KIMIZONO Grade 11



18 Sports Activities

8 Creative Arts



SPORTS ACHIEVEMENT

SISAC Track and Field Boys 3rd Overall Shanghai Championships

The SISAC Track and Field team was able to attend one practice meet and the Shanghai Championships this year. The team worked tirelessly together to train and prepare for competition. The boys were able to secure their spot as 3rd for overall points. Our athletes received medals in Javelin, Long Jump, 1500m, 400m, 4x100m Girls and Boys Relay.

ACAMIS Guangzhou Girls Volleyball 3rd Place

This year, the girls won their first D1 SISAC league game, and never looked back. They became stronger, more confident and more of a team with every game. With 5 wins, we earned our place at the Cup tournament with the city's best.

The ACAMIS tournament provided them the opportunity to bounce back from a tough Cup Tournament. The girls came home with a much deserved 3rd place finish.

Fanghua Cup Soccer Tournament

Select players from our CISSA teams represented SSIS at the Fanghua Cup hosted by the local Huacao town. We had a mixed Junior boys team from both campuses and a Senior Boys team enter the competition. They faced some great players from other local teams and played very well together.

Senior Boys - Champions Junior Boys - 2nd place

ARTS

Shanghai Film Festival Awards

The festival is in its 12th year and has hundreds of entries from all over the world. It is a credit to SSIS's focus on technology, with the new STEAM lab, SSIS TV and IB Film programme, that every year the quality of our students' work improves. This year is the first time SSIS has entered films – and won awards – in all age groups: Primary, Middle and High School. Of our 9 entries, involving almost 50 students in total, we received 6 awards.

1st Place Primary School Music Video: 2017/18 Grade 3 Amber class

1st Place Middle School Documentary/PSA: Grade 8 students - MA Ningwei Nina, LIN Shu Ting Candy, THE Zhi Yu, MAN Tsz Yan

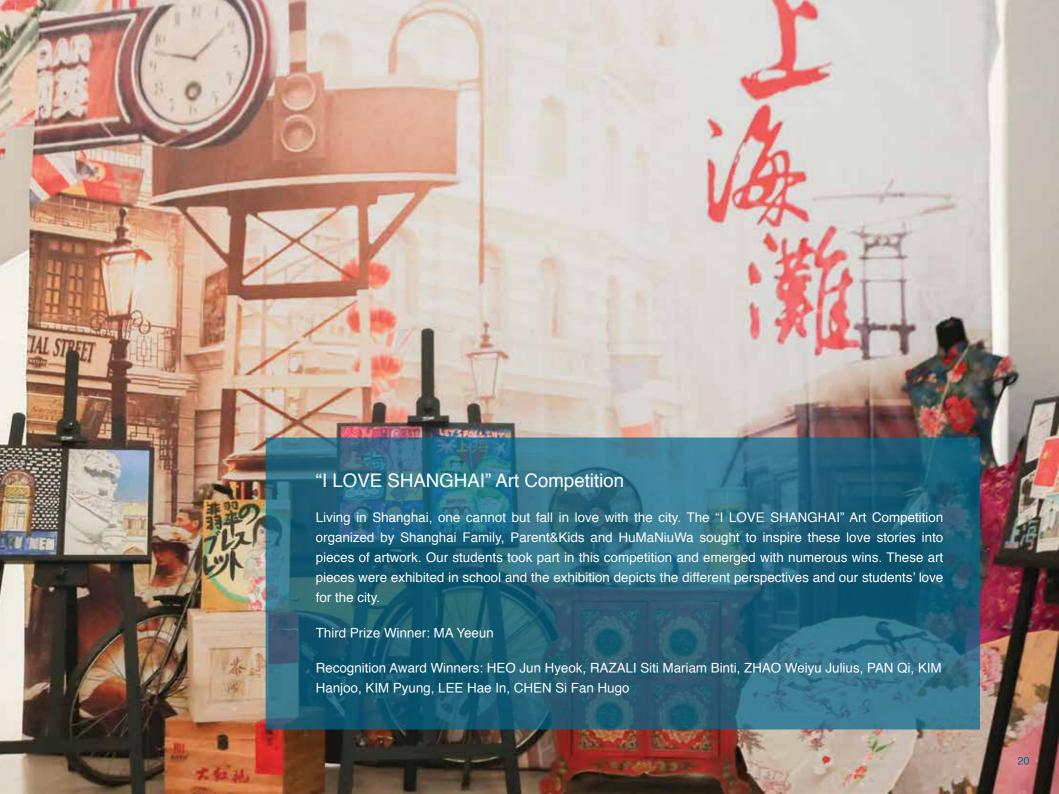
2nd Place Middle School Documentary/PSA: Grade 8 students - TAN Ern Claire, PANDA Anouska, CHIA Kanice Rui Ning, HEO Eun Seo

2nd Place Middle School Comedy: Grade 8 students - PILLAI Sanjana, MIYASAKA Andrew, OGAWAJI Koko, SUN Julian

3rd Place Middle School Comedy: Grade 7 students - TAN Kai Sheng, PARK Seunghwarn, LEE Sangmin

Special Jury Prize High School Music Video and successful completion of the 8 Hour Film Challenge: Grade 11 students - CHAN Ethan, CHEAH Victoria, GOSSAIN Xiyona





6 CCAs & ASPs

8 EXTERNAL PERFORMANCES

12th Year OF ABRSM EXAMINATIONS

Hosting and Performing at Singapore Christmas Bazaar 2018

In partnership with the Overseas Singapore Union (OSU), SSIS was the hosting venue for this Shanghai-wide event for Singaporean Expatriate families living and working here in our city. SSIS student performers wowed the audience with their rendition of "Santa's Shrunken Suit" and a band performance.

Choir Performance at Pujiang Innovation Forum 2019

20 Primary School girls were invited to represent Singapore, the Country of Honour for the Pujiang Innovation Forum 2019. It was a great honour to collaborate with LittleStar Choir Group to perform in front of all the delegates and the Prime Ministers of China and Singapore.







Values & Character Development Campaigns

In realising our vision for a lifelong learner with strength of character and love of humanity, our campaigns of the year aimed to develop:

- An awareness of safety and respect for self, others and the environment
- A growth mindset, resilience and grit when facing problems or challenges
- Healthy habits for a healthy Sabre



STUDENT WELL-BEING

Of utmost importance to us here at SSIS is the well-being of our students. Well-being can be addressed in several areas – physical, emotional and psychological; all of which are being taken care of within our curriculum, programmes and activities. This year we have sought to hear more from our students and to promote a louder student voice.

Students' learning CPR as part of IGCSE PE Programme

This year, as part of the IGCSE PE course our Grade 10 group took part in a life-saving course. Students had to learn resuscitation skills, land-based rescue skills and water rescue skills.

University Guidance 3rd University Fair

On March 14th 2019, SSIS welcomed university representatives from 16 countries and more than 115 universities to our 3rd annual University Fair. This year was our biggest fair yet and in addition to our SSIS students we had over 80 students attend the fair from three other schools-Britannica International School, Soong Ching Ling and Taiwanese International School.

SSIS Career Day

On December 10th 2018, we hosted our third annual Career Day at SSIS. Four guest speakers from Public Speaking, Biomedicine, Psychology, and Human Resources fields were invited to share their educational and working experience with our SSIS Senior School students.





CPR & AED Training for Staff

Continuous training is crucial not just in the professional respect but also in the management of safety during emergency situations. Our staff undergo select yearly courses on First Aid, CPR and AED training so that we are ready when we are called upon during an unexpected medical situation.

Kitchen ISO22000 Certification

Whilst we are proud of our kitchen staff and our team of chefs who uphold high standards, we recognize the need for us to achieve stringent international standards in the management and conduct of our kitchen crew and procedures. SSIS has successfully achieved the ISO22000 Certification.





STUDENT LIFE

IBDP Camp Led by Grade 12 Seniors

The DP Camp at Sun Island was a success, the Grade 12s worked hard to ensure that the camp was both action-packed and a learning experience for the Grade 11s. Even more importantly the camp helped build friendship and comradery between the grade levels and strengthen the positive relationship between the teachers and students.



Student Council

Student-led initiatives allowed elected councilors to plan, organize and execute events for the student body.

Events: Halloween Party, Winter Formal, Spirit Week, SSIS Next Star, Earth Day, Teacher's Appreciation Week

H2H Fundraising: Money raised from all events throughout the year raised 12,305 RMB. The total money raised together with Parent Support Group provided nearly 3 families with life-saving infant heart surgery.



Model United Nations (MUN) Overseas Competition

This year the SSIS MUN team attended the Singapore International Model United Nations (SIMUN) Conference at the Lycee Francais de Singapour from March 16-18. Our 16-member delegation debated on issues and considered proposals of global importance alongside students from 10 other schools. Among SSIS participants, our very own JUSTINIANO Andrew Justin Galang served as a judge on the International Court of Justice, which was a great honour.

World Scholars Cup

Into our 2nd year of participation in the World Scholars Cup, SSIS students were among the 700 scholars competing in the Shanghai Regional Round Competition.

SSIS students competed in four main events: the Scholar's Challenge, the Team Debate, Collaborative Writing, and the Scholar's Bowl.

Grade 6 student Ranya Bijlani was among the scholars selected to act as adjudicator during the Debate Showcase.

The delegation represented SSIS well, earning 57 silver medals, 88 gold medals, and 12 trophies. Ultimately, all 24 members of the delegation qualified for the Global Round!



STAFFING

With a teacher retention rate of more than 85%, SSIS must have one of the happiest faculty around. Opportunities are provided for teachers to receive external Professional Development as well as teach one another in avenues such as Peer Coaching and mini-conferences which are held twice a year. Moreover, transparent career progression and an attractive salary & benefit package are some of the few reasons many teachers stay beyond 2 contracts.



This year, SSIS has strengthened the background check policy for all staff to ensure that every member could be trusted to work with our students and are well-aware of the Child Protection Policy.

SSIS also welcomed our first batch of expatriate teachers to Merlion Residence, creating a close-knit living community on campus.

Other than having unlimited access to our swimming pool and fitness gym, our residents can take part in various regular activities organized by MR.

Massage services, Chinese lessons, Yoga classes, Barbeque, Movie Nights, Field Trips

Professional Development

To enhance the quality of teaching and learning, Professional Development (PD) is a must for all teachers. Every year, teachers from all divisions get to attend a variety of PD in order to stay abreast of developments in the curriculum, teaching pedagogies or strategies. This year, a school-wide PD emphasis on STEAM training equipped our staff for full swing implementation of the STEAM programme in the Primary school.



35 Topics Mini-Conference

Topics range from classroom management, collaborative and differentiated teaching, use of technology to enhance teaching and communication as well as interest areas such as cooking and sports.



New & Improved Facilities This Year

STEAM Lab Aquatic Centre

Golf Learning Centre Gymnastics Room

Mermaids Park





PREMISES

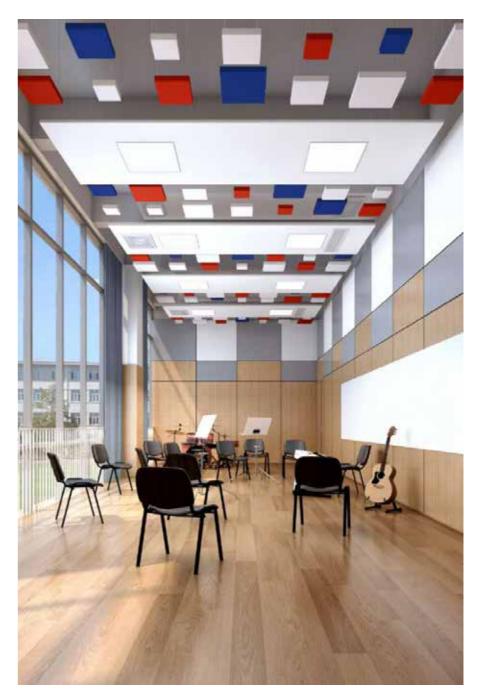
The clean premises, lush greenery and beautiful landscaping are painstakingly cared for by our team of support staff. This year, we employed the services of world-renowned management company, SODEXO to maintain and provide high quality standards for the Aquatic Centre and Merlion Residence, our staff apartment block which opened its doors to their first residents in August 2018. In order to meet the academic requirements of our programmes and needs of our K-12 SSIS students, more facilities were added over the past year and are already a crucial part of our student learning and play.



On-going School Expansion Project

Whilst road expansion works carry out along Zhujian Road, internal Phase 4 School Expansion Project is being carried out smoothly and according to schedule. The planned Performing Arts Theatre which will seat 646 members of the audience, will officially open its doors in the school year AY2020/21. Additional music rooms will avail more practice spaces for our talented musicians as they develop into the holistic global citizens that we groom here in SSIS through our Arts Programme. Concurrently, the Senior School functional teaching block will be the home for the Visual Art Rooms, Science Labs and modern library.







Effective School-Home Communications

In order to each out to SSIS families, the school employs a variety of avenues so that communication can be informative, timely and appropriate.

One new initiative this year was the SSIS Parent Satisfaction Survey, conducted in three languages, to seek the feedback and opinions of our parents. SSIS will continue to fine-tune its communication channels with parents and introduce face-to-face meetings with divisional Principals for focused in-depth feedback and sharing with parents.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

13 PARENT EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

>420 PARENTS PARTICIPATED

5 PSG ORGANISED EVENTS





New Initiative: SSIS Cares I Yunnan, Changning Schools

In November 2018, the school partnered with 2 local schools in Yunnan to establish long term relationships with these students.

- Preschool Students donated 236 Chinese Books.
- Primary Students wrote beautiful well-wishes cards to their pen pals in Yunnan.
- The entire SSIS Community sponsored RMB59,000 worth of Chinese New Year Goody Bags, valued at RMB200 each, consisting of basic stationaries, toys and clothing.
- · SSIS also bought 2 Konica Minolta C266 Multifunctional Printers & Copiers.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

SSIS aims to provide a holistic education and instill core values such as care, initiative and commitment to each student. One of which is to involve the whole SSIS community in various outreach projects. We hope that through these projects, students will learn that volunteerism contributes to their becoming of responsible and compassionate global citizens.





List of Local Huacao Events:

- Local School Teachers' Exchange & School Visit
- Huacao Old Folks' Home Visits
- Huacao Christmas Carnival Light-up Ceremony Performance
- Huacao Fanghua Soccer Tournament
- 2018 Best Partnership Award HUACAO JINFENG INT'L COMMUNITY
- 2018 Best Volunteer Award

List of External Organizations Events:

- Choir Performance at Pujiang Innovation Forum 2019, representing SSIS & Country of Honour, Singapore
- Hosting of Singapore Christmas Carnival 2018, organized by Overseas Singaporean Unit
- Ambassador Programme of The Expatriate Centre (TEC)
- Chinese New Year Performance at Singapore General Consulate Open House
- Silver Member of SingCham (former Shanghai Singapore Business Association)
- Cultural Exchanges with Singaporean School Visits (Springfield Secondary School & Nanyang Junior College)



CONNECTIONS

WITH THE WIDER COMMUNITY

SSIS extends and builds relationships through external organisations of the wider community. Located in the Minhang district, the school continuously strengthen its ties with the local Huacao community. Besides participating actively in the Huacao community events, the school has also started an on-going community project to visit a local nursing home to build relationships with the elderly there.

SSIS has also, through the ambassador programme of TEC, a non-profit organization aimed at connecting expat members in the wider Shanghai community, be able to benefit from their organized events and special guest speakers.

ALUMNI

Our alumni are located around the world, following a myriad of paths. A common theme with all our alumni – whether from the founding cohort of 1996 or our most recent graduates – is the lasting effect that being at SSIS has on their lives.

Meet our alumni through various school events or via our monthly "Talk to our Alumni" series on Wechat and Facebook.



141 REGISTERED ALUMNI

11 "TALK TO OUR ALUMNI" SERIES

>30 visits or contributions for school events this year

This year, our Alumni Office got connected to an alumnus from the founding batch. TAN Chong Jia Marcus joined SSIS in 1996 and was with SSIS for 12 years till the completion of IB Diploma Programme in 2008.





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