



## Message from the Principal - Toddlers, Early Years & Primary



**Rachel Crossland**  
Early Years & Primary Principal

**Dear Parent/Guardians,**

As we approach the final week of term, I wish to extend my deepest gratitude to our students, parents, and teachers for the wonderful support and dedication demonstrated throughout this term. This week, in particular, has seen a lovely 'coming together' of our community as we paused to celebrate the festive season. We have sung and played music together. We have danced (some of us very badly)!!

With visits from Santa Clause, to House lunches being eaten together - it even snowed in the EY playground

This week we have connected in ways that tell the 'story of this school' and this is now in our DNA, truly embracing the essence of community and togetherness which culminated in our formal festive celebrations on Thursday. A day that perfectly sealed the wonderful, shared spirit of the entire week. Your commitment has made this term a tremendous success. Teaching and learning will continue uninterrupted as we approach our last day of term on Friday, but the Christmas theme will become even more present in classes and hallways. Please be reminded that classes finish early on Friday 19th December as follows: Toddlers at 11.30am; Early Years 12.30; and Years 1- 8 at 1.15pm.

On Monday of next week we welcome over 30 new parents and students to our induction afternoon. These families will join the school in January 2026 and take our enrollment past the 200 student mark! The remarkable success of our school is due to our teachers and dedicated support staff who provide a nurturing and challenging environment that consistently reinforces the positive family values you share at home. We look forward to welcoming our new students full time in the new year.

I hope to wish you all a Merry Christmas in person as we begin the last week of school!





## Christmas Shoebox Appeal 2025

We are thrilled to share the truly wonderful response to our annual Christmas Shoe Box Appeal from our Early Years and Primary School communities! Our Christmas Tree is overflowing with beautifully wrapped boxes, each one filled with thoughtful gifts, demonstrating an extraordinary level of compassion and engagement from our students and families. This incredible outpouring of generosity is a direct reflection of the core school values we strive to instill every day at SBS International School. Seeing our young learners so enthusiastically embrace the spirit of giving is a powerful testament to their development of character. By participating, they are not just giving gifts, but actively practicing empathy, kindness, and social responsibility - qualities that will serve them well as global citizens. Thank you, parents, for supporting this meaningful initiative and helping us teach our students the profound joy and importance of making a positive difference in the lives of others.



### Shoebox's Impact Term 1 House Points



The final allocation of House Points was sealed on Thursday. Our shoebox appeal shifted the momentum for some Houses seeing the following final calculations and ranking for Term 1.

- Fourth Place: Green Cobras
- Third Place: Red Tigers
- Second Place: Yellow Leopards
- First Place: Blue Sharks



## U13 Mixed Basketball – Competitive Match vs SISB

Our U13 SBS Tigers Mixed Team played against SISB (Singapore International School of Bangkok) squad - an experienced team with height, skill, and excellent game understanding. This was one of our toughest tests of the term, and our players rose to the challenge.

The Tigers opened the game with great energy and discipline, taking a 17-10 lead into halftime. SISB responded strongly in the second half, and despite our best efforts, we narrowly fell short with a final score of 35-29.

Although the result did not go our way, this match provided valuable experience for our players and highlighted key areas we need to continue developing both individually and as a team. Our coaching staff remains confident in the potential of this group, and games like this are essential stepping stones in their growth.

Our U13 Mixed Team now holds 3 wins and 1 loss in our friendly fixtures this term. These four games have served as excellent preparation for the upcoming Bangkok International School Athletics League (BISAL) tournaments beginning in January.

One of the most encouraging signs from yesterday's game was the team's resilience. In the final minutes, our players continued to compete hard, showing determination and the desire to get back into the game - qualities that will serve them well as the season progresses.

We are very pleased with the development of our team throughout Term 1. The players have improved significantly, both individually and collectively, and we look forward to building on this strong foundation.

Well done, Tigers! Let's keep getting better.





## Christmas Celebrations on Thursday

We were absolutely delighted to witness the spectacular performances given by all of our students during the Christmas Celebratory events this week! The Toddlers and Early Years children charmed us with their boundless energy and enthusiasm as Christmas Puddings and Dancing Christmas Trees. Our Reception and Year 1 students delivered a captivating performance, demonstrating fantastic singing and clear narration, showing their growing confidence as Frosty the Snowmen, Jingle Bells choristers, and Santa Freeze dancers

Finally, the performances from Year 2 through to Year 8 were a true testament to the talent and hard work of our older students, featuring polished musical numbers, well planned readings/skits, and wonderfully festive singing. Each child shone brightly on the stage, and we extend our warmest congratulations to every performer for their dedication and for bringing such joy to our school community.





## Christmas House Lunch

There is no better way to feast at Christmas than to do it Harry Potter style! On Thursday we enjoyed a western and asian festive lunch crafted by CP for each of our Houses to consume together. It was lovely for students of all ages to sit, eat, and chat together.





## Reminders

### End of Term arrangements

We are approaching the end of Term 1 so it is a good time to remind ourselves of logistical arrangements. Please note the following:

- Week beginning Monday 15th December - Christmas themed learning throughout the week.
- Friday 19th December - the last day of term finishes for Toddlers at 11.30am; Early Years 12.30; and Years 1- 8 at 1.15pm
- Monday 5th January - School reopens to start Term 2

Please note that we do not have formal assessment/examination weeks for students in Term 1 or Term 2. Regular formative and summative assessments are conducted in class as part of normal teaching and learning.

### Parent Handbook

May I politely signpost you to the Parent Handbook which is a very useful reference for you. It contains a wealth of information on our policies and processes.

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### Communication Protocols

Line Application - This is only to be used if you wish to connect with our Admissions team. Primarily this is used by prospective parents wishing to know more about the school, so busy traffic through this channel can mean a delay in response time. Please do not use the Line Application other than to discuss Admissions related issues.

Email - Google Mail (and Google Chat) - Other than a phone call or face to face meeting, this will become the only way of communicating with:

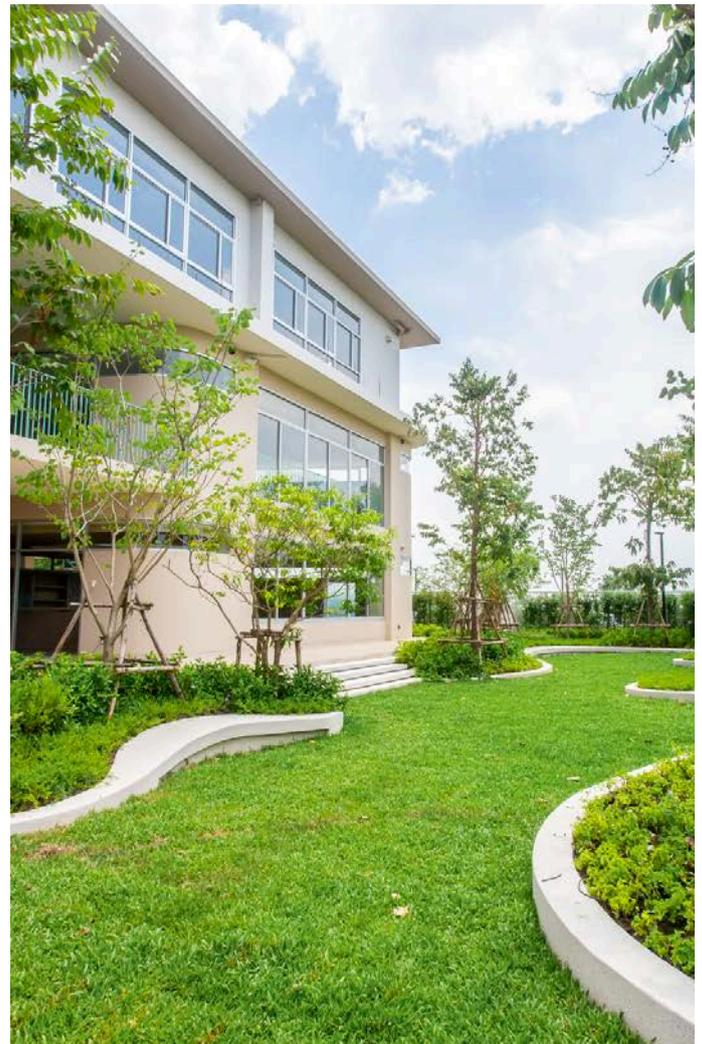
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## Closing Note

As we reach the final week of our inaugural first term, and head towards a very well earned rest, I want us all to pause and reflect on the incredible journey we've shared. This term has been about building a school, a community, and a shared set of values. This week we have seen the strength of this community as we have witnessed the results of our collective drive to make a positive difference to others and to each other, and it has been wonderful to see.

And here, within these walls, your commitment to showing responsibility towards each other—through support, kindness, and respect—has been truly heartening. Let's continue to value and cherish the relationships and supportive environment we have as we go into our final week of term.

Warm regards,  
Rachel Crossland  
EY and Primary Principal





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