

2022-23 Community-wide Goal:

IST community members recognize that we are all learners and understand the importance of enthusiastically sustaining our love of learning throughout our lives. We nurture curiosity across the diverse domains of human knowledge and experience, developing and fine-tuning skills for inquiry and research, and celebrating all kinds of learning success. We think for ourselves but also understand the importance of working together in teams.

Dear Parents and Students

Today's edition of Blaze is the last for the 2022-23 school year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire IST community for their incredible support of our school over the past year. The year started badly with much of the first semester spent online, but thankfully the second semester has seen a return to normal service, including opportunities to celebrate special events in school, fieldtrips, and the prospect of summer travel to see friends and family. As always our parents have been unflagging in their efforts to work together with teachers and support staff to provide the best possible learning environment for our students and I know that each and every IST employee joins with me in thanking you for this support.

With only one week of school to go things have been very busy, and they are about to get busier! On Wednesday evening our community was treated to a delightful series of performances by elementary students as part of the **'Spotlight on Broadway'** Spring Show. Congratulations to all of the wonderful performers (the entire elementary school!), and to the many teachers and support staff who assisted with planning and logistics.

To cap off this week we will come together this afternoon to celebrate the **Graduation of the Class of 2023**. We wish the graduates every success and happiness with the adventures that await them. The ceremony starts at 4PM in the Han Theatre so it is not too late to join us!

And next week is just as busy!

- On Monday our Grade 6-10 students will all head off on exciting Week Without Walls excursions! After three years of cancelled trips, we are delighted to be able to afford our secondary students this opportunity to explore our wonderful host country and to engage in a series of challenging, but fun, excursions!
- On Tuesday afternoon at 1:30PM we will celebrate the completion of Elementary school studies for our Grade 5 students at the **Grade 5 Transition Ceremony**. Congratulations to the Grade 5 students who now move onto the exciting adventures of middle school.
- On Thursday morning at 8:25AM we will celebrate the academic progress and achievements of many of our secondary students at the end of year **Secondary Awards Ceremony**. Students will then participate in **Secondary Sports Day** activities, before attending the **Athletics Awards Ceremony** at 1:50PM. The athletics awards celebrate student sporting participation and success throughout the school year.
- And a reminder to KG1-Grade 5 parents, that we will be providing **two weeks of summer activities** for your children, the first from Monday 12 to Friday 16 June, and the second from 24-28 July. The Elementary Office has sent parents relevant information, but if you are uncertain, please do contact the school next week!

The last day of school for the 2022-23 school year will be next Friday, 9 June. Friday is a half-day only and school will end at 11:45am. Buses will depart school at 12PM (noon). Please note that there will be no lunch service on Friday. **Please also note that all departure forms must be completed by next Thursday!**

Students will be issued with their copy of the **2022-23 International^{ist} Yearbook** on Friday morning. Special thanks to the Marketing and Communications Office for producing such a wonderful memento for us all to enjoy.

Upcoming World Celebration Dates...**Monday - June 5, 2023 Denmark's Constitution Day**

Constitution Day (Grundlovsdag), observed on June 5, commemorates the anniversary of the signing of the Danish constitution of 1849, which established Denmark as a constitutional monarchy, and honors the constitution of 1953, which was adopted on the same date.

Tuesday - June 6, 2023 National Day of Sweden

This is the date on which Gustav Vasa was crowned king in 1523, which laid the foundation of Sweden as an independent state, and on which a new, important constitution was adopted in 1809.



Students will also be given their Semester 2 Progress Reports before returning home on Friday. I wish to congratulate all of our students on the wonderful progress that they have made this year. We are all very proud of their many accomplishments and know that next year will bring even more. If parents have any questions or concerns about the reports, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the school administration. **Please also note that if departure documentation is not completed by Thursday afternoon, we will be unable to issue report cards and year books on Friday.**

The end of year is an exciting time for us all as we look forward to a well-earned rest and possibly a return to our homes and families, or an exciting adventure here in China or in another country. Unfortunately, it is also a time at which we must bid farewell to students, friends, and colleagues. **On behalf of all of us who will remain in Tianjin next year, I would like to wish the IST families that will be leaving our school every happiness in their new schools and homes.**

Every year we must also farewell members of our school staff and I would like to take this moment to thank the following staff members for all that they have contributed to our students and community:



Justin Lobsey Jane Lobsey Deborah Paul Liliana Nieto Santiago Doglio Marissa Villamagna Brittney Quon



Ben Mooyman Claire Dischinger Kisha Hugh-Hampton Jess Bilal Jon Thorns Martin McMulkin

Finally, on behalf of all of us here at the school, I wish to thank our parents for entrusting their children's education to our school and for your support during these challenging COVID-19 times, and our students for being such fine representatives of their own countries and cultures. Thank you to the IST Board of Governors for their constant guidance and support, and to the committed staff of IST for being such a terrific team and for making IST a friendly place where the needs of our students come first. I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Warmest regards

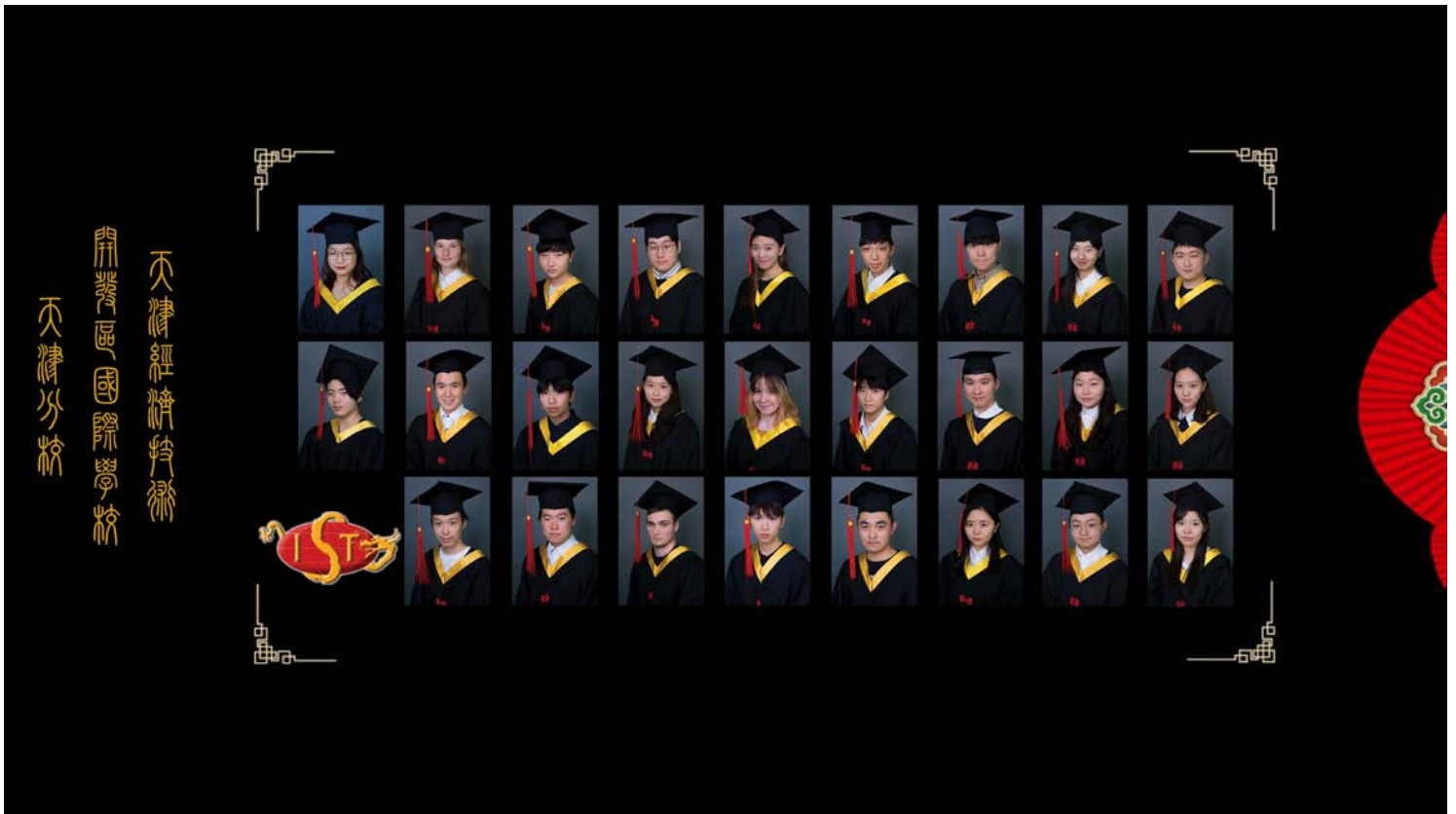
Steve Moody
Director



PS: **The first day of school for the 2023-24 school year is Monday 14 August!**



Graduation Ceremony Class of 2023 2 June 2023



Live Stream Link:

<https://youtube.com/live/PnLos9qMmDc?feature=share>

3:50 PM Strat

BLAZE

WEEKLY

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IST Library & Information Literacy Center

Our Mission

The IST Library is a friendly place where our community is inspired and challenged to think critically, read widely, act ethically, value creativity, and defend the right to access information.

Summer Reading

Summer checkout permission slips went home with students last week and are also available at the library circulation desk. Please return by next Monday if you would like for your child to borrow books over the summer holidays.

Ebooks and audiobooks are also available through Sora (Overdrive). This is a great alternative to physical books when traveling, and there is a wide-range of new and high-interest titles available.

All students in grades 4 and up have IST library Sora accounts. Parent accounts can also be created upon request! Please contact the IST Elementary librarian to request an account or login details at Linnea_Simon@istianjin.org.cn.

SUMMER BOOK CHECKOUT

My child, _____ in class _____ has my permission to check out books over the summer holiday.

My child may check out up to ten (10) books for the summer holiday.

My child may check out up to twenty (20) books for the summer holiday.

Parent signature: _____

Please Note:

- All books are due the first week of the 2023-24 school year.
- You are responsible for any lost or damaged books.
- Please do not take IST library books out of China.

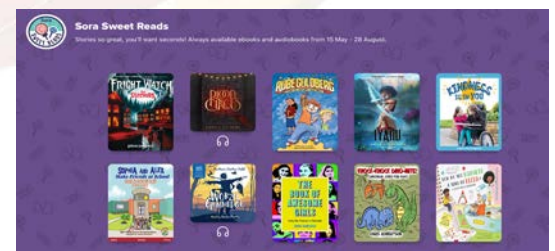
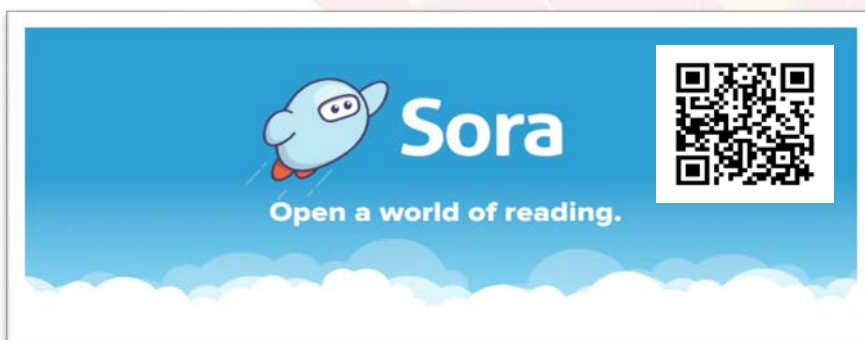
Return this form by Monday, June 5

Summer Checkout: June 5-9

Please send an extra bag to take the books home

IST LIBRARY SUMMER CHECKOUT PERMISSION SLIP

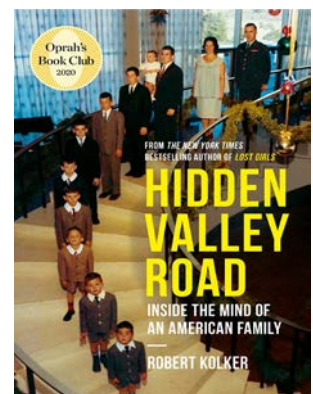
Scan the QR code below or use this link to access the digital library: <https://soraapp.com/library/istianjin>.



Parent Book Club – August

Our next Parent Book Club selection is the nonfiction book *Hidden Valley Road: Inside the Mind of an American Family* by Robert Kolker. We will meet to discuss this book when we return to school in August (date TBD). The library has copies of the book in English and Chinese. A digital copy in English or Chinese is available upon request.

All interested parents are welcome to join us for a book discussion, coffee, and treats, even if you haven't had a chance to read the book. Contact one of our library staff to join our WeChat group.



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INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF TIANJIN

SECONDARY SPORTS DAY

ICE CREAM IS PROVIDED

JUNE 8TH

10:00 - 12:50

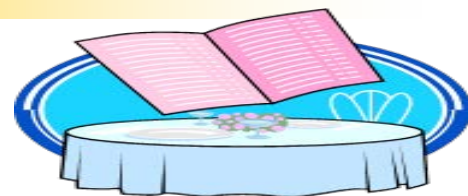
ATHLETICS
AWARDS

13:50 - 14:50

ACTIVITIES



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MENU G2-G12

	Monday 2023-06-05	Tuesday 2023-06-06	Wednesday 2023-06-07	Thursday 2023-06-08	Friday 2023-06-09
Salad/Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Salad Bar Fruit of the Day	Seasonal Fresh Salad Bar Fruit of the Day	Seasonal Fresh Salad Bar Fruit of the Day	Seasonal Fresh Salad Bar Fruit of the Day	Seasonal Fresh Salad Bar Fruit of the Day
Western From The Grill Station	Pizza Margherita 芝士比萨 Stir fry Vegetable 炒蔬菜 Roasted Potatoes 土豆角 Allergy: flour, cheese, tomato sauce	Chicken Schnitzel 炸鸡排 Stir fry Vegetable 炒蔬菜 Roasted Potatoes 烤土豆 Allergy: chicken, breadcrumb	Meat Loaf 牛肉面包 Stir fry Vegetable 炒时蔬 Mashed Potatoes 土豆泥 Allergy: beef, herb	Chicken Fajita 墨西哥鸡肉 Stir fry Vegetable 炒时蔬 Roasted Potatoes 土豆角 Allergy: Cumin, cajun seasoning, pepper, sour cream, flour	
Asian From The Wok/Noodle Station	Spicy Noodle 重庆小面 Cucumber 拌黄瓜 Allergy: wheat, egg, seaweed, sesame	Steamed Rice with Sausage 腊味煲仔饭 Boiled Vegetable 煮蔬菜 Allergy: beef, flour	Chicken Curry 咖喱鸡 Stir fry Vegetable 炒时蔬 Steamed Rice 米饭 Allergy: chicken, curry paste, coconut milk	Bibimbap 韩式拌饭 Steamed Rice 米饭 Allergy: chicken, onion, pepper, fish cake, kimchi, chili paste	
Vegetarian		Steamed Rice with Vegetable 蔬菜饭	Vegetable Curry 咖喱蔬菜	Bibimbap 韩式拌饭	
Soup	Tomato and Egg Soup 西红柿鸡蛋汤	Pumpkin Soup 南瓜汤	Minestrone 通心粉汤	Tomato and Egg Soup 西红柿鸡蛋汤	
Dessert	Banana Bread 香蕉包	Cookies 饼干	Swiss Roll 瑞士卷	Apple Pie 苹果派	
Nutritional reading over the week 每周营养分析		Energy 热量 (Kcal) 731	Protein 蛋白质 (g) 26	Carbohydrate 碳水化合物 (g) 104	Fat 脂肪 (g) 23
Nutritional recommendation 营养建议		725	25	100	25

MENU NURSERY-G1

	Monday 2023-06-05	Tuesday 2023-06-06	Wednesday 2023-06-07	Thursday 2023-06-08	Friday 2023-06-09
Snack	Yoghurt Fruit Cut	Carrot Cake Fruit Cut	Mini Pizza Fruit Cut	Vegetable Pie Fruit Cut	Cheese Sandwich Fruit Cut
Set Meal	Stir Fry Noodles 炒面 Stir fry Vegetable 炒时蔬 Vegetable Sticks 蔬菜条 Allergy: flour, soya sauce, oyster sauce	Chicken Curry 咖喱鸡肉 Vegetable Sticks 蔬菜条 Steamed Rice 米饭 Allergy: coconut, curry paste	Pork Rolls 猪肉卷 Sweet Corn and Vegetables 玉米粒炒蔬菜 Vegetable Sticks 蔬菜条 Allergy: flour, pork, soya sauce, green garlic	Baked Fusilli w/Meat patty 螺旋面配牛肉饼 Stir Fry Zucchini and Corn 西葫玉米 Vegetable Sticks 蔬菜条 Allergy: Beef, onion, tomato sauce	
Fruit	Fruit of the Day	Fruit of the Day	Fruit of the Day	Fruit of the Day	
Drinks	Milk/Yoghurt/Yakult	Milk/Yoghurt/Yakult	Milk/Yoghurt/Yakult	Milk/Yoghurt/Yakult	
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Nutritional recommendation 营养建议		725	25	100	25

Morning snack offer available at 6 rmb, Snack are only available for daily set lunch consumers.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday~Tuesday - May 31~June 6, 2023
Middle Years University

Monday - June 5, 2023
Library Summer Books Check Out

Tuesday - June 6, 2023
Grade 5 Transition Ceremony

Wednesday - June 7, 2023
Community Fair

Thursday - June 8, 2023
Secondary Awards/Sports Day/Sports Awards
Assembly

Friday - June 9, 2023
Last Day of School (Half Day)
Reports Sent Home

SPORTS DATES

WELCOME TO THE IST SPORTS AND CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (CCA) PROGRAM FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Please take note of the following dates:

Season 3 Sport Schedule

- ☺ Starts Monday, 6 Mar and ends Friday, 19 May
- ☺ The program will run for approximately 10 school weeks
- ☺ No CCAs during holidays and PTSCs (conferences)

Season three includes:

- ☺ HS Football -(Mondays and Fridays 15:30 – 17:00)
- ☺ MS Basketball- (Tuesdays and Thursdays 15:30 – 17:00)
- ☺ HS Badminton – (Mondays and Fridays 15:30 – 17:00)

Please do not hesitate to contact our department with any questions.

- ☺ Mr. Kennedy – Athletics Director (byron_kennedy@istianjin.org.cn)
- ☺ Mr. Silvis – Activities Director (ben_silvis@istianjin.org.cn)
- ☺ Ms. Guo Ying – Activities Officer (CCA's) - (ying_guo@istianjin.org.cn)
- ☺ Ms. Durian Wang – Activities Officer (Sports) – (durian_wang@istianjin.org.cn)
- ☺ Activity Office: telephone 022-28592003 / extension 8150.