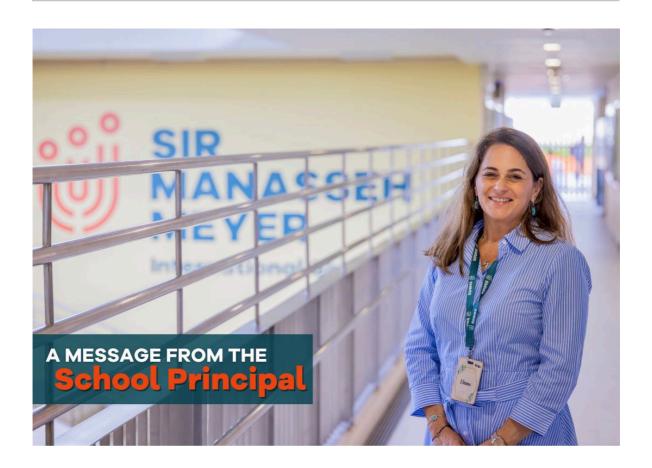
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# **Dear Parents,**

I hope you are well and have had a lovely week. As the Jewish month of Ellul has begun, each day the whole school gathers in the Heartspace to hear the blowing of the shofar as a reminder of the upcoming New Year. It is a time for deep reflection, to be thankful for all that we have and to think abut what we would like to achieve in the coming year. Wishing you all a meaningful month of Ellul.

## **Secondary School Back to School Night**

It was lovely to see so many Secondary School parents last night. There was a very positive atmosphere around school. The rich and meaningful conversations between parents and teachers highlight our strong parental engagement. Our student ambassadors

step of the journey together.

#### **iGCSE Results 2025**

I am thrilled to share that once more our students achieved exceptional iGCSE results: 91% achieved A-C across all subjects; 87% earning A-C in core subjects Mathematics and English; 93% A-B in Science, and an outstanding 100% A-B in Environmental Management (EVM). More than half of all grades were A-A\*, and three out of four students secured an A grade, clear evidence of the talent, resilience, and growth mindset we cultivate. We are all so proud of our students, and so grateful to our amazing Secondary School staff team. These exceptional results affirm why SMMIS is recognised among the best international schools in Singapore, preparing students for success in Grades 11 and 12, higher education, and beyond.

### SMMIS Policy on Vaping

As you know vaping is illegal in Singapore, with strict laws prohibiting the import, sale, possession, and use of all vaping devices and related products. Authorities treat vaping as a serious public health and drug issue, reflecting growing concerns over the rise of vapes containing harmful substances like etomidate. From September 2025, penalties for vaping offences have become even harsher, including steep fines, jail sentences, and mandatory rehabilitation for repeat offenders. The government has also intensified enforcement across schools, public spaces, and online channels, aiming for a zero-tolerance stance to protect the community, especially youth, from the dangers of nicotine addiction and substance abuse.

## **Nut Free Policy**

I hope you all saw the email at the beginning of the year about the important issue of our NutFree Policy, as laid out in the SMMIS Parent Handbook. It is very important that we maintain a safe and inclusive environment for all individuals. Our nut-free policy was implemented to ensure the safety and well-being of individuals with nut allergies, including peanuts. Even trace amounts of nuts can pose serious health risks to those with allergies, and it is crucial that we all adhere to this policy. I kindly request your cooperation in not sending children to school with any snacks that contain nuts or any nut-containing products. This includes nuts, peanuts, nut-based spreads, peanut butter, and foods that may contain nuts as ingredients.

#### **SMMIS Academic Calendar 25-26**

Please note that you can now download the school calendar on our school website.

Proceed to <a href="mailto:this link">this link</a> or the one on the header of this newsletter to get your up-to-date copy of the calendar. If there are any changes they will also be updated via the same link.

We are aware that some parents are not receiving school emails. This is an issues with some Google accounts which we are trying to rectify. Please do check your spam to ensure you do not miss important school communication.

Wishing you a restful weekend and Shabbat Shalom,

Ms Elaine

Principal

# **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

### **August-September 2025**

When	What	Grade
22 September	Parent and Student Challah Bake	Nursery-K2
22 September	Eve of Rosh Hashana (1/2 day)	Schoolwide
23-24 September	Rosh Hashana Break	Schoolwide

# **School Emergency Contact Number**

9780 9141

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# Monday September 22nd 2025 - 9:30am

Our Nursery to K2 SMMIS students invite you to join them for a fun morning of Pre Rosh Hashana activities.

### Programme:

Bake sweet round challah Rosh Hashanah story time Tea & Honey Cake



RSVP: Frontdesk@smm.edu.sg

Rosh Hashana Challah Bake

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# **E** Join the PJ Library Programme! **E**

Free Jewish Storybooks for Your Child

SMMIS is delighted to invite Nursery to Grade 7 families to join the PJ Library programme to receive free, high-quality books that celebrate Jewish culture, values, and traditions, tailored to your child's age.

#### **How It Works**

- Opt in and your child will receive a new book periodically.
- Perfect for nurturing a love of reading while exploring Jewish heritage.

## Sign Up Deadline: Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>

- **✓** Click on the link below to register your child(ren).
- X No action needed if you choose not to participate.





PJ Library Programme

**SIGN UP NOW!** 

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# Best Bus Behaviour

- Buckle Seat Belt At All Times During The Journey.
- Be Seated Properly, Facing Front At All Times.
- Be Nice And Polite To One Another.
- Talk Softly, The Driver Needs To Concentrate To Safely Drive The Bus.
- Fighting, Shouting, Or Use of Obscene Language Is Not Permitted.
- 6 Eating And Drinking (this includes sweet) Is Not Allowed.
- Throwing Objects Inside Or Outside Of The Vehicle Is Not Permitted.
- Place Bags And Parcels Under Your Seat Or On Your Lap.
- No Standing When the Vehicle Is Moving
- Changing Of Seat Without Permission Is Not Allowed.

Let's keep every ride safe, calm and on time



#### School Bus Rules

Cuisine	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Lunch Main Course	Beef Bolognaise with Pasta	Breaded Chicken Drumstick with Steamed Rice	Grilled Teriyaki Salmon with Fried Rice	Chicken Shwarma with Pita / Steamed Rice	Tofu and Tuna Ball, Hash Brown. Pizza, Pasta and Cheese / Fried Rice / Fried Bee Hoon and Salad Bar		
Side Dish	Steamed Broccoli and Salad Bar	Sauteed Vegetables and Salad Bar	Steamed Broccoli / Beansprout with tofu and Salad Bar	Baked Edamame Bean and Salad Bar			
Vegetarian	Tofu Fritters Tomato sauce with Pasta	Vegetables Patties / Roasted Tempeh with Sauce	Roasted Thai Curry Beancurd with Green Bean	Dhal and Falafel			
Soup	Mushroom Soup	Clear Vegetarian Soup	Egg-drop Soup	Pumpkin Soup			
Daily Salad	A Healthy Variety of Salads, dressings and fruits						
After School Snack	Olive Bun	Apple Crumble Sponge Cake	Chocolate Chips Muffin or Oat Cookies	Pumpkin & Oat Cookies or Fruits	Challah Roll		

<sup>\*</sup>This is a nut-free menu \*Gluten-free and egg-free options are available for main course and afternoon snack \*Every Friday is dairy day and the canteen does not serve meat options \*White/brown steamed rice is served daily

### Menu for the Upcoming Week

# **Birthdays of the Week**

## **Happy Birthday!**

Jedediah (G5) Ella (Nursery) Mila (G5) Lahav (G6)

Birthday cake orders must be placed at least 5 working days in advance. We will place an order of the cake only upon receiving payment of \$35 per cake. To order a cake, please click <u>here</u>.

<sup>\*</sup>Tiny-tots, Pre-nursery and Nursery are offered with softer/smaller cut meat option

<sup>\*</sup>Variety of Fresh and Cooked Vegetables.

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