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SMMIS Newsletter

30 April 2026

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## Dear Parents & Guardians,

I hope you have had a lovely week. As you will see below, it has been another enriching week here at SMMIS.

### **Dragon's Den Swimming Competition @ UWC East**

It was a memorable weekend at the Dragon's Den, hosted by UWC East, where close to 700 swimmers from international schools and teams across the region gathered for a high-energy meet. Our SMMIS squad represented the school with tremendous spirit and real competitive heart. The event offered a level of exposure that is difficult to replicate in the classroom or pool alone. Swimming alongside such a diverse international field, our athletes chose to challenge themselves further by taking on several new and demanding events. That kind of willingness to step beyond the familiar takes courage, and we saw it on full display. We are deeply proud of every swimmer who stood on that

## Winner Announcement: Poetry By Heart 2026

It was a truly spectacular week of performance as our students brought poetry to life for the Poetry By Heart competition. After much deliberation, we are delighted to announce our winners: Galia (G5), Sathvik (G6), and William (G9), along with our runners-up: Arielle (G3), Brady (G4), and Clarey (G9). The winning performances have now been officially submitted to the national judges, who will decide if our students have secured a place to perform at the prestigious Shakespeare's Globe in London this summer. We would like to extend a huge "well done" to every single competitor and thank the entire school community for embracing the power of spoken poetry with such enthusiasm. It has been a wonderful celebration of oracy and literature, and we are already looking forward to next year! You may watch the competition [here](#).

## SMMIS @ Ganenu: Growing Lifelong Readers

On Tuesday, Ms Gabby (K1 teacher) and Mr Dom (Primary School Literacy Lead) visited our feeder school, Ganenu Nursery, to host a collaborative discussion on "Growing Lifelong Readers." The session focused on the "Big Picture" of literacy, exploring how decoding and language comprehension work in tandem to develop confident readers. It was a highly interactive evening, with parents sharing their own experiences of reading at home and asking insightful questions about supporting phonics and early writing. Key discussions highlighted how everyday activities - from playground play to helping in the kitchen - strengthen the motor skills necessary for writing, and the group reflected on the powerful impact of regular reading. It was a wonderful opportunity to connect with the Ganenu community and share practical strategies for fostering a love of literacy from the very beginning.

## Nursery Clay-Play Workshop

Our Nursery children had the opportunity to explore the versatile medium of clay this week in a wonderfully tactile and sensory workshop. Our young learners explored what the clay felt like, how we can cut it, squash it, make imprints, flatten it and so on. Students then went onto create fish out of the material, inspired by the beautiful illustrations of Lucy Cousins in Hooray for Fish! Students then experimented with mark-making, shape making and cutting, as well as creating fins and gills. Everyone enjoyed the process led clay-play.

## Parent Workshop - Primary School Maths

about our approach to mathematics learning at SMMIS. The session explored the foundations of the Singapore Maths approach and how we use the Marshall Cavendish Education programme to support the development of strong conceptual understanding, problem-solving skills, and mathematical confidence. We also outlined the adaptations we are making to ensure the programme best meets the needs of our learners at SMMIS, including greater opportunities for fluency practice, as well as differentiated challenge and support/strategies such as visually working a word problem and the subsequent methodical recording of calculation steps. Thank you for your partnership in your child's learning. Working together, we can build confident, capable mathematicians.

### Reminder: Student Contracts

Last week, we sent out the AY2026–27 school contracts via Zegal. If you have yet to review and sign, please do so today, 30th April 2026. If you do not receive your contract email, please check your junk or spam folder, or reach out to us directly at [admissions@smm.edu.sg](mailto:admissions@smm.edu.sg). We especially encourage families with children currently in Grade 5, to complete the contract as soon as possible, as Grade 6 is fully subscribed for AY2026–27. This will help secure your child's place and support our class placement planning.

Wishing you a peaceful weekend, Shabbat Shalom, enjoy the long weekend, please remember there is no school tomorrow.

Ms Elaine

[Principal](#)

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## Upcoming Dates to Remember

### Student Contracts Deadline

Date: 30th April 2025

### School Holiday (Labour Day)

Date: 1st May 2026

### Nursery - K2 Sports Day

Date: 7th May 2026

### Open House

Date: 14th May 2026

Date: 21st May 2026

## School Holiday (Shavuot)

Date: 22nd May 2026

# School Emergency Contact Number

**9780 9141**



Dragon's Den Swimming Competition @ UWC East

26th Apr 2026



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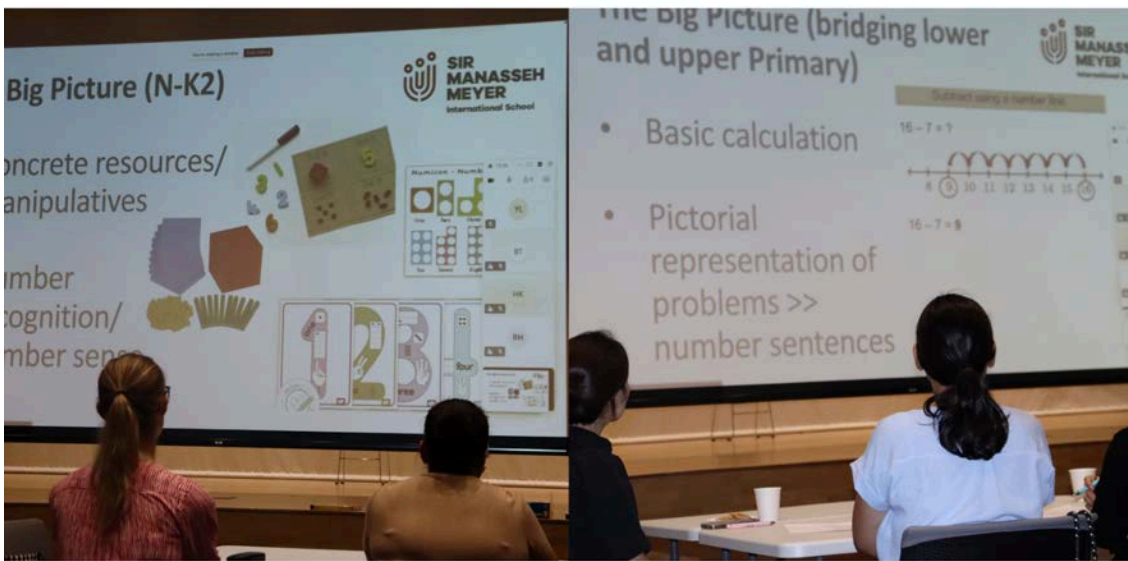
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Cuisine	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Lunch Main Course</b>	Beef Straganoff with Pasta	Gong Pao Chicken with Steamed rice / Steamed Chicken	Salmon Fish Dish with Pasta	Ginger Stir Fried Beef and Plain Rice	Pizza, Pasta and Cheese / Fried Rice / Fried Bee Hoon and Salad Bar
<b>Side dish</b>	Steamed Broccoli	Sauteed Bok Choy	Sauteed Vegetables	Roasted Vegetables / Baked Potatoes	
<b>Vegetarian</b>	Vegetarian Bolognese / Tomato Sauce	Vegetarian Curry	Wok Fried Tofu	Vegetarian Bee Hoon	
<b>Soup</b>	Vegetables Soup	Egg Drop Soup	Carrot Soup	Pumpkin Soup	
<b>Daily Salad</b>	<i>A Healthy Variety of Salads, dressings and fruits</i>				
<b>After School Snack</b>	Assorted Bun	Assorted Cookies	Banana bread	Fruits	Challah Roll

*\*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 \*Tiny-tots, Pre-nursery and Nursery are offered with softer/smaller cut meat option \*Variety of Fresh and Cooked Vegetables.*

Menu for the Upcoming Week

## Birthdays of the Week

### Happy Birthday!

### Sienna (G2)

### JingGe (Emily) (G8)

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 [here](#)

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