



International, Inspiring, Incredible

27 August 2021

Newsletter



Important Dates

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| WB 30 th Aug | Forest school Sessions Commence: FS1 and FS2 |
| Thurs, 23 rd Sep | School Closed at 1200hrs |
| Fri 24 th Sep | School Closed Inset Days |
| Tue 28 th Sep | Y1 – Y6 Cross Country |

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely to see the excitement of the children of SHAPE, British Section International school, at the start of our new academic year.

The children returning to school have settled into their new year groups, engaging immediately with their new curriculum and the youngest children have all started their learning in FS1 and FS2 with real enthusiasm. I feel privileged to have joined this special team of staff working together to provide the very best educational provision for all the children at the school.

I would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents who have responded to the parent questionnaire as this has provided us with extremely useful information regarding the school. We will be following up and analysing all the responses and a summary of the outcomes will be available shortly on our website. If anyone would like to have an individual discussion with myself or Mr Ratcliffe, we would be happy to arrange this. If you have not yet had a chance to share your views, please complete the questionnaire and return to the school office.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful weekend with your families,

Yours faithfully,

Kim Jackaman



Year 1 Dragons wonderfully exemplifying the British Section's **be caring** Character Virtue. How incredible it is to witness some of our youngest pupils setting such a strong example to the rest of the school. Well done, Dragons!

The Parents Staff Association (PSA) needs your help!

Our PSA is a valuable part of our school and although activities were limited during COVID they continue to be extremely supportive. As we slowly move towards more normal times we wish to re-ignite this fabulous relationship but we need your help!

The PSA's primary purpose is to enhance the education and wellbeing of the children by providing or supporting provision of facilities and resources through fundraising. The group fosters a positive relationship with staff, parents, governors and the wider community and is a fun way to positively impact the school.



The position of Chair Person has recently become available and needs to be filled ASAP. With your help we can kick start supporting our school community and begin planning events to raise funds for our school.

If you are interested in joining our PSA as the Chairperson or are willing to help with planning fund raising activities, small school based initiatives and other community events, please contact the Secretary at:

victoria.manderstrett@shape.nato.int by 17th September 2021



Morning Supervision

Please be aware that the British Section staff are available to supervise children **from 08 20** at the playground opposite the bus drop-off point. Children who arrive before that time remain the responsibility of the parent until the staff arrive at 08 20.

Internet Safety

The internet is an amazing resource which enables children and young people to connect, communicate and be creative in a number of different ways, on a range of devices. However, the internet is always changing, and being able to keep up to date with your children's use of technology can be a challenge. You may sometimes feel that your child has better technical skills than you do, however children and young people still need advice and protection when it comes to managing their lives online. Issues that your child may encounter on the internet will vary depending on their age and online activities. (Childnet International 2018: www.childnet.com)

This link provides valuable insights into how we can support our children to be safe online:

<https://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Supporting-Young-People-Online>

2021 – 2022 School Calendar

Please see the following link to our School Calendar: [British Section, SHAPE International School: School Calendars \(britishsectionshape.com\)](http://britishsectionshape.com)

School Lunch Bill – August 2021

The school lunch bills for August 2021 will be sent home next week, please check your child's school bag. The amount owed is indicated as a minus amount under Closing Balance and is highlighted. Please see the letter attached to your bill for payment details.