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SSIS Marks 16th Anniversary

VISION

A premier learning institution with national and international recognition developing lifelong learners and leaders with competencies, global perspectives and hearts of service in a culture of academic and values excellence.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are committed to provide quality international education through the 5Cs:
Competence
Character
Commitment to Achieve
Collaboration
and Creativity.

We seek to develop lifelong learners and leaders.

We prepare learners to respond to the needs of the 21st century.



SSIS will commemorate its 16th foundation anniversary through an activity-packed Family Day on Feb. 3, 2012. The excitement is in high level as teachers, parents and students wait one more night to celebrate a day of guaranteed fun and shared memories.

Here is the schedule:

Schedule of Activities

8:00 - 9:00	Thanksgiving Mass
9:30 - 11:30	Parenting Seminar Movie Marathon
11:30-1:00	Lunch Break
1:00-4:00	Familympics
4:00-6:00	Family Got Talent

***Please see page 2 for Family Day Rules.

GLOBAL VILLAGE EXPLORES EUROPE IN 14 DAYS AND 13 NIGHTS

Want to commune with the famous artists in the Louvre? Or experience the grandeur of Rome? Don't miss out these opportunities in the Global Village Program.

The Global Village Program of Stonyhurst Southville International School was conceptualized to foster cultural understanding and appreciation in a borderless world through a travel program. It is an opportunity for all participants to develop a sense of responsibility, global kinship and leadership. The program has been going on for fourteen (14) years now for the SGEN Community.

This time, the Global Village will explore Europe in two weeks. However, the trip has been rescheduled to **May 14 - 28, 2012** to give more time for the processing of all travel documents and to finalize all arrangements in the countries to be visited.

This year's Global Village Program is a Grand European tour visiting the countries of Rome, Venice, Italy; Salzburg, Austria; Munich, Germany and Paris, France. The group will also visit the Vatican Museum, Deutsche Museum and Louvre Museum. One of the highlights of Global Village is the visit and interaction with the students of American International School in Salzburg, Austria. Parents, relatives and friends of students are also enjoined to be part of the tour. Parents & students who have signified interest have already been given details of the trip. Those who would still like to join are still welcome. Please coordinate with Miss Ella at 723 3595.

The complete itinerary is published in this bulletin.

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GRAND EUROPEAN TOUR 2012

GLOBAL VILLAGE ITINERARY

14 DAYS & 13 NIGHTS

DAY 01: DEPART FROM MANILA

Depart Manila aboard your favourite airline. Enjoy in-flight amenities, meals, and entertainment.

DAY 02: ARRIVE IN ROME.

ITALY

Upon arrival in Rome, visit the Vatican Museum and the Sistine Chapel then to St. Peter's Basilica and its Square. Transfer to the hotel. Check-in.



DAY 03: DAY 1 TOUR OF ROME

Full day tour of Rome. City Tour visiting famous landmarks: The Colosseum, The Roman Forum, The Trevi Fountain, and the Piazzas of Venezia. The rest of the day is free for shopping and dinner. Check-in hotel.

DAY 04: DAY 2 TOUR OF ROME

Second full day tour of Rome. After breakfast, visit The Spanish Steps leading from the Piazza di Spagna to the Hill of Pincio and the Trinita Church on top. While going to the Trinita Church, enjoy other tourist attractions along the way. Check-in hotel.

DAY 05: ROME TO PISA THEN TO VENICE

After breakfast, morning drive to Veneto passing Umbria and Tuscany Regions then transfer to Pisa to see one of the Seven Wonders of the World, The Leaning Tower of Pisa then transfer to Venice. Check-in.



DAY 06: TOUR OF VENICE

After breakfast, take a motor coach to Tronchetto Pier and take a ride to San Marco. City sightseeing on foot in Venice Island visiting the Basilica de San Marco, Saint Mark's Square, the Bridge of Sighs, and the Murano Glass Blowing demonstration. Enjoy a Gondola Ride before heading back to Venice. Check-in.



DAY 07: VENICE TO SALZBURG, AUSTRIA

After breakfast, bid farewell to Italy as we travel on board our deluxe coach to the birthplace of Mozart, at Salzburg in Austria. Check-in hotel.

DAY 08: TOUR OF SALZBURG

After breakfast, visit the American International School of Salzburg for a cultural interaction with their students throughout the morning then go on a city tour of Salzburg visiting famous sites like the Salzburg Cathedral, the Salzburg Palace, Mozart's Birthplace, and the Salzburg Toy Museum in the afternoon before going back to the hotel.

DAY 09: SALZBURG TO MUNICH, GERMANY

After breakfast, on board our deluxe coach, we proceed to Munich, Germany to visit the Olympic Stadium, the Olympic Park, and finally the Deutsche Museum before checking-in a hotel.

DAY 10: MUNICH TO PARIS, FRANCE

After breakfast, proceed to the romantic and stylish city of Paris, France to visit the Louvre Museum, the Champs Elysees, the Arc De Triomphe, and The Opera. Enjoy the rest of the day for dining and shopping before heading back to the hotel.

DAY 11: MORE OF PARIS, FRANCE

After breakfast, discover more of what Paris has to offer. Visit the Notre Dame Cathedral, famous historical monuments like the Concorde Square and Vendome Square before visiting the iconic Eiffel Tower and ascend to its 2nd Level. The rest of the day is free for more dining and shopping at the Gallery Lafayette before heading back to the hotel.



DAY 12: DISNEYLAND PARIS

After breakfast, proceed to Disneyland, Paris for a whole day of fun and relaxation. Go back to hotel at the end of the day.

DAY 13: PARIS TO MANILA

After breakfast, check-out from the hotel then proceed to the airport for the flight back to Manila.

DAY 14: ARRIVAL IN MANILA

Arrive in Manila then Home Sweet Home!



SACK RACE CONTEST

1. A team may consist of any 2 members of a family. A family can represent more than one entry.
2. There will be one sack for each pair of players.
3. Participants must put both legs in their sack; and position themselves right behind the starting line.
4. When the whistle blows, the pair must hop to the finish line.
5. The first pair to reach the finish line wins!

GO, GROW, GLOW EATING CONTEST

1. A team may consist of any 2 members of a family. A family can represent more than one entry.
2. There is a non-refundable registration fee of 20 pesos, for a team to get the "GGG Food Pack."
3. Each pack will contain go, grow, glow foods.
4. The first team to finish all of the food in the pack is the winner.
5. To be declared the winner, both members of the team must swallow all of the food, drink all of the beverage provided in a cup, and show an empty mouth to the judges.

FAMILY DAY RULES!

EGG TOSSING CONTEST

1. A team may consist of any 2 members of a family. A family can represent more than one entry.
2. There is a non-refundable registration fee of 5 pesos, for a team to get an egg.
3. One member of a two-person team tosses an egg to another.
4. If the egg does not break, they step apart and the toss is repeated.
5. The contest continues until one egg is left unbroken.
6. The team with an unbroken egg will be declared the winner.

FAMILY HENYO

1. This game is patterned after the Family Pinoy Henyo of a noontime show.
2. Each team is composed of two members of the family – a mother-son, father-son, mother-daughter, father-daughter, sister-sister, brother-brother, sister – brother tandem will compete to guess the "PINOY HENYO" word which will be assigned to them.
3. Assignments of word will be based on draw lots. The host will choose who among the pair will be guessing the word written on a piece of paper which will be taped on his/her forehead. To guess the word, the person assigned will ask his/her partner with yes or no questions. The partner will answer only with YES-NO or MAYBE. In the event that the partner answers more than what are required, a time difference

of 5 seconds will be added to the time spent for guessing the question. They will continue asking each other until such time that the person assigned can guess the word.

4. Each team will be given a maximum of 2 minutes. If all teams will be able to guess the word before the given time, the one who guess the fastest will be declared as the winner.
5. The winner will qualify for the jackpot round where both members will be asked to guess the word assigned to him/her. If they can get 3 words out of 10 words which will be given in 2 minutes then they will win a special prize.

FAMILY GOT TALENT

1. Family Got Talent is a celebration of each family, featuring their God-given talents, put up in a simple show. This presentation is not a contest, but a kind of a variety show to demonstrate family cooperation and bonding.
2. A team may consist of 2 or more members of a family. (It may be mother & daughter, father & son, siblings, or the whole family.)
3. Each family may present any talent (singing, dancing, magic show, etc.) that should only last 5 minutes or less.
4. Everyone is invited to join this event.

**There may be variations of the game depending on the number of teams that will register.*

SSIS IMPLEMENTS THE EARLY ENROLMENT DISCOUNT STARTING FEBRUARY 2012

As the school works on with its continuous development and improvement, expenses are unavoidable. With our desire to give the best for our children, we will have to make a little bit of increase in our fees. It is only after two consecutive school years that we will do a 5% raise in our tuition fee and minimal increase in miscellaneous and other fees for Levels 1 to Upper School 4. **There will be no tuition fee increase in the pre-school.**

We would also like to announce that starting February 15 until

March 31, 2012, we are again implementing the Early Enrolment Discount for A.Y. 2012-2013, which gives you the following options:

Payment Scheme Discount
Plan A (Full Payment) Php2,500
Plan B (Half Installment) Php1,500
Plan C (Quarterly Payment) Php1,000

However, the early enrolment discount will adhere to the following considerations:

1. The student must not be in any academic probationary case;
2. The student must not be in any disciplinary probationary case
3. All fees and financial accountabilities for A.Y. 2011-2012 must have been settled prior to early enrolment.

Aside from the Early Enrolment Discount, sibling discount, mode of payment discount, 30% SGEN grants for Nursery, Kinder, Junior Prep and Upper School 1 are also available.

For SSIS, education is our mission. Thus, we would like to reach out to as many people as possible. However, we would like to encourage you to enroll early so that we will be able to make the most accurate projections for the coming school year in order to provide the best services and facilities as we grow not only stronger and better, but also bigger.

For any inquiries, you may visit our accounting office or call 723-3595, and look for Ms. Dulce or Ms. Vanny.

STUDENT COUNCIL

CORNER

SC ELECTIONS COMING SOON!

Most of the officers who are holding key positions in the Council are about to graduate, thus they need to turn over their responsibilities and their legacy to a new batch of leaders. The election of Student Council Officers for **SY 2012-2013** will take place toward the end of this school year. Please take note of the following dates:

Feb 22 - Filing of Candidacy
Feb. 29 - Miting de Avance
March 7 - Elections

The guidelines will be published in the succeeding issues of the bulletin.

EVERYDAY IS DCIA DAY...

*Students look forward to a DCIA-Day in SSIS. What is DCIA? It stands for **Differentiated Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment**. It is one of the methodologies applied in the classrooms. With the concept of DCIA, a teacher has the understanding that students come to him or her with different needs.*

In a way, it's just shaking up the classroom so it's better fit for more kids. But to be a little bit more precise, it means that the teacher anticipates the differences in students' readiness, interest, and learning profiles. With this in mind, the teacher creates different learning options or different paths to learning so that the students have the opportunity to learn as much as they can, as deeply as they can, without experiencing undue anxiety because the tasks are too taxing – or boredom because the tasks are not challenging enough.

It is really important for us to help students learn to understand that they have many similarities and differences and each learner is unique from the other. So a big trick to differentiating instruction is having the teachers question the standardized notion of school and then helping kids realize that there is better way to do school.

Through DCIA, we believe that our students can achieve far more than we tend to think they can as they are provided with rich, engaging, supportive environment with a balance o continuously escalating expectations and joy in learning.



PARENTING CORNER

Responding to a Bad Grade

Your dealing with your kids' bad grades affects how your children view themselves and their school achievements.

Consider your goal for your child. Do you want your child to be honest with you? A child who tries his best? Or one that achieves at any cost?

- 1. Plan how to respond to a bad grade.** As parents we tend to overreact when first presented with something like a bad grade. So give yourself a little time before saying something drastic like "You're grounded for a month." Talk it over with your spouse before reacting.
- 2. Discuss the issue.** You can lecture until you're blue in the face but not get through to your child. Instead of lecturing your children on what they should be doing, find out why they got a bad grade. Are they having problems with the subject matter? Do they find the testing methods difficult? Are they not motivated? Discovering the reason will help you figure out how to best deal with the problem.
- 3. Talk to the teacher.** Teachers want their students to succeed. They hate giving bad grades, even when the student deserves it. So talk to your child's teacher about his/her grade. Find out what the teacher believes is the problem. If it is different than what your child believes to be the problem, consider having a meeting with your child, the teacher, and yourself to resolve the problems and get your child's grades back on track.
- 4. Solve the problem.** If your child finds the subject matter difficult, then it is time for you as a parent to reevaluate your expectations. Not every child can excel in every subject. As parents, we all want to believe that our children are gifted but in reality many children work hard and get only average grades. You might consider hiring a tutor or scheduling a time for your child to complete his/her homework each day.
- 5. Consider logical consequences.** Many times the shame of getting a bad grade is punishment enough. But if you feel that your child isn't ashamed or unhappy with the grade that he/she achieved, then consider something that fits the misdeed. Cut back on extra-curricular activities until grades get up. Or set aside time each day when your child has to do his/her homework and then review it yourself each night.
- 6. Start fresh.** Don't continue to reflect on the child's bad grade. Consider your child's slate wiped clean and start over. Boost your child's confidence by telling him/her that he/she can do it and then help him/her achieve it.

(<http://www.makeuptalk.com/forum/thread/89198/article-how-to-respondto-a-bad-grade>)

IMPORTANT DATES

February 3
Foundation Day

February 13
SBA Post Test

February 13-16
WASC Visit for
Re-Accreditation

February 14-17
Third Term - 2nd Long Test

February 20-21
SRI Post Test

February 24
JS Prom

February 27
Academic Olympiad

VALUE OF THE WEEK

ENHANCING ONE'S SENSE OF BELONGING AND TEAM WORK

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Principal

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() I have received and read Students and Parents' Bulletin No. 28 A.Y. 2011-2012.

Student's Name

Level/Section

Parent's Signature