



SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL (HONG KONG)

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

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Dear SISHK Families,

On behalf of the SISPTA, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all the new and returning families to our wonderful community for the 2023/2024 school year! I hope you had a great summer!

We look forward to a great year filled with fantastic events, community building activities and most importantly supporting our students and teachers so they can continue to attain excellence in education!

SISPTA has been a thriving and vibrant community. I have been blessed to work with an amazing team of parents this year on the PTA Executive Committee and Sub Committee and together, we will do our best to make sure this is another successful school year for parents, teachers and students. The work would not have been possible without parent volunteers who selflessly and tirelessly devoted their time and expertise. I also wish to thank our principal, Ms Pamela Yoong and her team for their unwavering encouragement and support.

Join the PTA (Get Connected)

The PTA is a voluntary and non-profit association formed by parents and school representatives. Our objectives are:

- To promote a sense of community among teachers, parents and pupils
- To provide a forum for parents and teachers to exchange views for the benefit of pupils
- To encourage parents to participate in school programmes/activities
- To make and receive donations and to assist in raising funds for school-related purposes
- To improve school-related services such as school bus transportation, uniforms and lunch supervision

For new parents, we highly encourage you to be part of our PTA Family by joining SISPTA membership. A gentle reminder to Secondary 1 parents as well as DP 1 parents, please renew your PTA membership if you have not done so. (Please see SISPTA membership application form) Thank you. For any enquiries, please contact us at pta@singapore.edu.hk or celina.lim@gmail.com.

Be a Parent Volunteer

Volunteering and becoming involved at your child's/children's school will benefit both your children and yourselves. There is no better way to get connected than joining and volunteering in the PTA. I like to encourage each and every one of you to become a part of our team to positively impact the lives of our children and families.

We have many exciting programmes and activities that you may choose to volunteer i.e. Library Programme (Books Shelving, Books Wrapping and Library Decorations), Reading Programme, Culinary Art Club CCA Programme for Secondary Students, International Food Tasting for students, Bake Sale, Maker Spaces and STEAM week for Primary students, Mid-Autumn Festival, Diwali and other Cultural Activities, Annual SISHK/SISPTA Open House /Family Festival/Xmas fair fundraising events and others.

We will be writing to you soon to appeal to you to step forward and contribute your talents and spare free time.

Being a PTA volunteer gives you the opportunity to interact with the children and network with other parents. Whether it is your time, knowledge, ideas or resources, your contribution will make a difference in helping us. All of these take hard work and dedication of our community members. Whether you are new to SISHK community or you have been here for years, whether you are a working parent or a stay-home parent, your skills, talents and resources are always needed to make our SIS Community an enriching one. We encourage you to be part of volunteering.

Your continuing support, whether it is donations, getting involved or just turning up at the event, it all helps! The time and resources you give to the PTA and the school will be worthwhile and fun!

Make a Difference:

We are looking for the following Parent volunteers. If you are interested in any of the following:

- you can do career talk to our P6 to IB students
- your company can provide internship to our IB students,

please email to pta@singapore.edu.hk.

Class Rep (Class Parent Volunteer)

We need you to assist us to recruit parent volunteers for School's activities. You will help PTA disseminate information about PTA events and be a liaison between PTA and parents. You may also help to gather volunteers from your class to help at various events.

If you are keen to be your class rep, please email to pta@singapore.edu.hk or Karen Tseng at kar.tseng@gmail.com.

MAKER SPACES

To promote the joy of learning, foster entrepreneurship and equip our SISHK students with 21st century skills in the fields of science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM), we are pleased to announce the continuation of Makerspaces Programme for Primary students.

Makerspaces in schools are collaborative work spaces for designing, making, hands on learning, exploring, sharing and tinkering using high tech or no tech tools. Some of the skills that are learned in Makerspaces pertain to electronics, e-textile, 3D printing, 3D modelling, coding, robotics and even woodworking.

We will be recruiting parent volunteers on this soon.

Quality Healthcare Dental Plan

SISPTA has arranged a private Dental Plan with Quality Healthcare for our SISPTA members only and their family members. More information will be sent to you soon. More details will follow.

Upcoming Happenings

SAVE THE DATE and mark your diaries – 2 December 2023 (Saturday) – SISHK/SISPTA OPEN HOUSE/FAMILY FESTIVAL/XMAS FAIR 2023!

We are all looking forward to the annual highly anticipated event in SISHK! This year we will be holding this event **IN PERSON** again after 3 years of online Xmas fair. Please save the date for this exciting event! **(2 December 2023, Saturday) – 10am to 3pm.**

SIS-PTA Special Edition Cookbook and to raise fund

In December 2021, the SIS-PTA has published a Cookbook as part of the celebrations. Part of the proceeds from the sale of the Cookbook will be donated to charity this year. We still have some books in stock. Please support to purchase at HK\$380 nett per book. For purchase please email to us at pta@singapore.edu.hk.

MID AUTUMN FESTIVAL 2023

Look out for Physical Event of **Mooncake Festival on 22 September 2023 evening, SISPTA AGM in October 2023 and some parents' Workshops.**

With the calendar of events planned, we hope to get many more of you involved in the PTA and support us in our mission to enrich and enhance the social and educational opportunities for our children in SISHK.

We understand that all parents are busy and will match your interests and time flexibly that is most convenient for all parent volunteers. I like to thank you in advance for your

support. New ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly at pta@singapore.edu.hk about PTA events, activities or questions you may have.

I would like to wish all parents and children in SISHK a fulfilling and productive year ahead! We look forward to working closely with you! Thank you.

Best wishes

Hellen Manning
PTA Chairperson (2022/2023)