



Nanohana – MIS Newsletter

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From Mr. Trent Citrano, Head of School



We have a very successful first weeks of school with many new families joining MIS, lots of engaging learning, the beginning of clubs, and several special activities, including Meet the Teachers Evenings, the raising of the MIS Koinobori, Music Recitals, Sakura Medal Book Bowl, and Student Council Elections. We hope you will enjoy the photos of these events and more throughout this edition of Nanohana.

We are extremely excited for the upcoming MIS Bazaar which we will have for the first time in 4 years. It will feature fun games, delicious food, fabulous performers, plentiful vendors, and much more! If you haven't yet purchased your Raffle Tickets, please make sure you do for 100yen each. We have a load of great prizes including an iPad, a Nintendo Switch, loads of gift certificates for books, health care and aroma products, sushi restaurant gift certificates, a Harry Potter box set, soda maker, and many other prizes! If you need more tickets, please get them from the school office!

This week, we met with representatives of the Chiba Nishi Police Department who have asked us to pass on that parking in front of the school and not staying in your vehicle is illegal so please do not do this at dismissal. At the very least, do not arrive earlier than 3:15pm so as to minimize the time that the cars are blocking the traffic lane. As the police have received numerous complaints from the public, your assistance is much appreciated.

Major May Events

Tuesday 16 May

PTA Board Mtg - 12:15pm

Wed 17, 24, 31 May

G5&6 Swimming - 1pm

Friday 19 May

G1Y Assembly - 1pm

Saturday 20 May

MIS Bazaar - 10am-2pm

Monday 22 May

School Holiday

Thursday 25 May

Board Meetings

Friday 26 May

G2Y Assembly - 1pm

New Nanohana Published

Tuesday 30 May

Parent Coffee Morning
9:15am-10:15am

PTA General Memb. Mtg

12:15pm-1:15pm

Friday 02 June

G5G Assembly - 1pm

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| TIME | PERFORMERS |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| 10:05 - 10:15 | Mr Citrano and The MIS Teachers' Band |
| 10:15 - 10:30 | MIS Student Performers—Part 1 |
| 10:30 - 10:40 | The MIS Dolphins |
| 10:55 - 11:10 | MIS Student Performers—Part 2 |
| 11:10 - 11:20 | Kanda Uni Students - AmazinGlee |
| 11:20 - 11:35 | Chiki The Clown - Balloon Modelling |
| 11:35 - 11:55 | Kanda Uni Students - Las'akandas |
| 11:55 - 12:10 | MIS Violin Ensemble |
| 12:10 - 12:30 | MIS Student Performers - Part 3 |
| 12:30 - 12:50 | Kanda Uni Students - YOSAKOI |
| 12:50 - 1:15 | Chiki The Clown - Balloon Modelling |
| 1:15 - 2:00 | The MIS Raffle and Bazaar Closing |

Thank you for coming to the bazaar!
Please support all of our wonderful performers and show your appreciation.



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From Mr. Anthony Hall, Deputy Head of School



Greetings from MIS. The first term is well under way and the new school year has been a very successful one to date. We have voted in a new student council and it is my pleasure to reveal the new student councilors with you (see the picture below). The group are very excited to represent their class and help to make MIS a better place to learn for all.

The term one clubs are going strong and for the first time ever, we have over 450 club members. It is so pleasing to see enthusiasm for our clubs at an all time high. At the end of every day, you can see the children happily going off from their class to enjoy the wide variety of extra-curricular activities on offer. Please note, the clubs will end on June 30th.

The MIS Bazaar is but a few short days away. We cannot wait to welcome families and members of the local community to the event after so many years. The event promises to be a celebration of life with fun stalls, polished performances and delicious food on offer. We hope you can join on the day. Tickets for the stalls/games will go on sale from the 17th of May. I will sell them at dismissal time from 3:20-3:35pm. The tickets are 100yen each and can be used to play the stall games, purchase good from the flea market or gain entry to the petting zoo. There are no refunds for unused tickets, so please use them all up on the day of the bazaar. Let's have a great time together.

| GRADE 1 GREEN | GRADE 1 YELLOW | GRADE 2 GREEN | GRADE 2 YELLOW | GRADE 3 GREEN | GRADE 3 YELLOW |
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| Lily | Atsuki | Emma | Karen | Karen | Anna |
| GRADE 4 GREEN | GRADE 4 YELLOW | GRADE 5 GREEN | GRADE 5 YELLOW | GRADE 6 GREEN | GRADE 6 YELLOW |
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| Sumire | Yuki | Yosuke | Shun | Marina | Takeru |

Thank you, parents, for attending our Meet the Teachers Evenings!



**HOUSE POINT
TOTALS
ROSSO START
THE YEAR ON
TOP!**



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Kindergarten News



K1:
Finding and
Sticking the
Missing
Shapes!



K2:
Drawing All
About Them-
selves and
Meeting New
Friends in the
First Weeks
of School!



K3:
Going on a
Shape Hunt
and
Experimenting
with Soda
and Vinegar
to Show How
Emotions Can
Bubble Up
When Having
Big Feelings!



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First Weeks of School!



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Grade 1 Have a Strong Start to Elementary School

In Grade 1, the students have been settling into the first year of the lower elementary school. They have been making new friends and learning new routines to make the most of learning time. In class, they have had lessons learning about lots of exciting things such as narrative stories, counting, and old and new toys!



Grade 2 Artists Create Amazing Self-Portraits

This week, G2 continued their work on portrait drawing. They drew self-portraits, using what they have learned about the proportions of the face, shading, and other drawing techniques. They then used their drawings to make a display in the MIS Multi-Purpose Hall. Can you tell who is who??



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Grade 3 Explore and Record the Parts of Plants at MIS

Grade 3 have been learning about plants and animal life cycles. They went on a scavenger hunt around MIS to locate different plants and then needed to label them according to their different parts accurately. Well done, G3!



Grade 4 Sketch Super Hero Actions

Grade 4 have been learning all about drawing techniques. They have practiced still life drawing and figures in motion. To practice their action poses, they took photographs of their friends in super hero poses and then tried to draw the dynamic action!



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Grade 5 Create Wind Chimes as Part of Study of Weather Instruments

In G5G, students learned about different types of weather instruments. In class, students created their own wind chimes based on their own designs.



Grade 6 Discover the Flammability of Different Gases

In Science, the G6 students learned about combustion (fire) and how the composition of the gasses in the air is affected. Students had to light candles, cover them with a glass jar, and use a timer to measure how many seconds a flame lasted until it was extinguished. Then students used testing tubes to measure CO₂ and O₂ levels and compared these findings to previous measurements. A great activity. Safety first! Well done G6!



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Grade 1 Students Introduce Themselves in Japanese

G1 students went to office building to introducing themselves to Mr. Citrano, Mr. Hamamoto, Mr. Suzuki and Ms. Takano. G1 made their own name card to show and told them what they like. Welcome G1 to MIS, let's have a great time here!



Congratulations, MIS Sakura Medal Book Bowl Team & Captain Mr. Hall!



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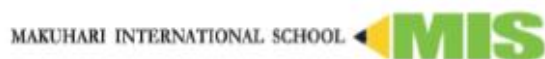
What Wonderful Music Recitals!



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10 May 2023

Dear Parents,

Parents' Coffee Morning – Presented by MIS School Counselor, Mikiko Degawa

Thursday, May 30th – 9:15-10:15am

Anger Management for Children and Parents

We would like to invite interested parents to our latest Coffee Morning on Thursday, May 30th from 9:15-10:15am in the MIS Multipurpose Hall.

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Anger Management for Children and Parents

- The nature of irritation/anger イライラ、怒りの正体
- 3 fundamental rules of scolding 叱るときに守ってほしい3原則
- Skills of redirecting children's behavior in a calm way 上手な叱り方のコツ
- Control techniques to manage our anger as parents 怒りのマネージメントテクニック

In order for us to make appropriate arrangements, please complete the reply slip below and return to your child's class teacher by Friday, May 26th.

We hope that you are able to attend and look forward to seeing you there!

Mr. Citrano
Head of School

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Please complete and return this slip to Mr. Citrano by Friday, May 26th.

To: Mr. Citrano

I will attend the Coffee Morning.

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Son/Daughter's Name

Class.....

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MAKUHARI
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Bazaar

Saturday 20 May 2023
10:00am – 2:00pm



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