

Primary School Newsletter

# Term1| Week1| 2022 Issue on: August



## **Dear Parents/Caregivers**

Welcome to the first newsletter for the 2022-23 School Year. Newsletters will be sent home on a regular basis from the principal or the administration. Please ask your children for their newsletter, as often they can remain at the bottom of the school bag. Our newsletters are also available online on Face Book, Classroom Dojo, Telegram group and the school website.

We encourage you to make early contact with your child's teacher if you have any concerns. Often, small concerns can be dealt with quickly and easily if addressed as early as possible. There will be a parent teacher meeting, to get to know each other and the class routines, in the first full week of September.

This first week has started very well with children being well-dressed and eager to get on with their year – we all hope that this positive attitude will continue and we will look forward to working with you to make sure it does. We strongly believe that effective parent-child-teacher communication is the key to success at our school. We want to work with you to make sure your child has the best time they can. Most of our teachers will send home regular emails or notices on Class Dojo – these often contain information on not only what they are doing in class but also what opportunities there are around the school.

This year we welcome our new staff members. Their 'Introductions' may be seen below:

I am sure that all of our staff will contribute much to our school environment and will help your children not only to learn but to grow as people who are lifelong learners

This term we will have our regular meetings to review what we do in ISSR. This process will allow us to reflect on what we do well, and where we can improve. We will conduct a parent survey to keep informed of your thoughts. We will keep you updated of any changes that may occur.

Many of our staff have been at ISSR for some time. I am always heartened by the positive attitudes and approach all of the staff bring to their work here and I know every staff member works here because they enjoy the challenges and rewards that teaching in a school such as ours brings.

The last 2 years has presented some difficulties to Siem Reap and many changes to our school and city. Hopefully these events are behind us now, but I do ask that you make sure you notify the office if you should change contact details. We have a very effective text messaging system, but like all systems, it only works with the information supplied. Should any problems occur, I can assure you that our staff have clear procedures to follow, and the safety and well-being of your child is our paramount concern.

Kindly remember to use the school calendar for you trip planning and inform us prior to talking your child/children out of the school. Inform the school of sick days in good on the day the child is sick. We do hope that you and your child or children will enjoy your association with our school. Please always remember that we value open and honest relationships and we are only a phone call or a visit away.

Best wishes for a great year, David C Key

**Primary Principal** 

#### **New teachers**



Hi, my name is Claire Wilson. I am joining the ISSR Primary team as the

new Year 5B teacher. I have recently completed a four-year bachelor

course at NHL Stenden University in the Netherlands, and I am now a

fully qualified international primary school teacher. It is a pleasure to be here, and I look forward to meeting you!



Hello, my name is Kira and I am the new swimming teacher at ISSR! I co-teach with Mr. Tony, the P.E. teacher, in both primary and high school. I am also an English Language Support teacher in primary, and I co-teach with Ms. Ella. I have been working as a swimming teacher and lifeguard since 2016, and ELS teacher since 2020. I am from Germany and America. Thank you!

Kira



Hi I am Sally-Anne Lee and I'm joining the Early Years Team as year leader and Reception 2 class teacher. I have many years of international teaching experience teaching In Early Years and Primary school.



Hi, my name is Mélanie Boyer. I am joining the Primary teachers' team this year as a Year 2 Teacher. I have 6 years of experience teaching Primary curriculum as well as foreign languages at different international schools.

# **Organisation of English Primary:**

#### 1. Principal:



Prior to coming to this wonderful school, I have had many opportunities to enhance my mind and thoughts about teaching and learning in a broad range of cultures globally; from my early days in Australia, to England, followed by Egypt, Tanzania and the UAE. Then onto Asia as a Principal in South Korea, China, the Maldives, Pakistan, Malaysia and finally Kazakhstan, each school bringing its own set of values and educational needs. Each of these countries offered different experiences which have enhanced my development as a lifelong learner and creative problem solver.

We at ISSR want to educate our students in the value of lifelong learning and holistic education to maintain a sustainable future for next generation.

David C Key.

#### 2. Upper Primary Coordinator:



**Ms Dimple Y5A** 





Team:



Ms Gloria Y6 Ms Claire Y5B

Ms Heather Y4

#### 3. Lower Primary Coordinator:

**Mr** Phillip

Ms Sallyanne



Ms Melanie Y2



Ms Katie Y1B



Ms Caryl Y1A





Ms Rita Nursery



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Ms Janica R1
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## Our key date and special note

-09th September: meet and greet with parents

<u>Changes in Class</u>: Some parents, especially at the beginning of the year, ask to change their child's class. This could be for many reasons which are often not educationally sound reasons. We have a policy that states once students are placed in a class, they will not be moved simply on parent request. Classes are established and children are placed using our profession discression and what we feel is best for your child. We may move children if we feel it is best for them educationally after the first month of the school year.

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# We are One, But We are Many

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<u>Team:</u>