



Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of the first term, I would like to reflect on the number of school teams that have represented the school in the various age groups and sports, the successes the teams have achieved and finally what major leagues and tournaments that our teams will be involved in next term.

We had over 27 school teams taking part in sport this term. We entered five volleyball teams, four basketball teams, two netball teams and one rugby team in the SISAC leagues. We also had eight CISSA football teams and five junior football teams that played in the Dulwich School league, along with a large NAIS Tiger Sharks swim team. The students in all of the teams attended training and performed exceptionally well in their league games and tournaments.

### **Volleyball this term**

We had a number of teams involved in the SISAC Volleyball Leagues. Our D1 boys finished fifth in the Pudong league, were runners up in the SISAC Volleyball Plate tournament, and finished a creditable third place in the ACAMIS volleyball tournament hosted by Renaissance School Hong Kong. Our D1 girls' team finished fourth in the Pudong league and seventh place in the SISAC Cup tournament and finished runners-up in the ACAMIS volleyball tournament. Both of the D1 teams performed well throughout the season and deserve credit for what they achieved.

In the SISAC D2 Volleyball season, we had a boys' team and two girls' teams. The D2 boys and D2 girls Blue team performed really well throughout the season. The teams both finished runners-up in the Pudong leagues and they both finished in third place in the SISAC cup tournaments. The girls D2 Black Team witnessed improvements throughout the season and in their final three games were very competitive, winning one and losing in very close games in the other two games. The success we witnessed from the two teams augers well for next season and we should see many of these boys and girls move up to the D1 teams next academic year.

### **Netball this term**

Our Netball teams were prepared really well for the season. Our U19 first team went through the season unbeaten and won the SISAC cup beating Dulwich College for the first time in front of a very supportive crowd. In the ACAMIS tournament, the girls first team finished fourth overall and were hindered by the injury that Sammi Huang encountered in the second game of the tournament. The second team applied a never-say-die approach to all games and was always competitive and never gave up in any games. In the SISAC tournament the girls finished fifth and in the ACAMIS tournament they finished seventh. It was a great season with lots of high points and the team will only get stronger in the future.

### **Rugby this term**

The U19 boys' rugby team encountered a hard season. The team is in a transition phase but they worked hard in training and finished fourth place in the SISAC league and also fourth in the SISAC end-of-season tournament. In the ACAMIS Rugby tournament, the team played well throughout the pool games and



finished with one win and six defeats, but in the play-off games the team came alive and outplayed both the French team and SCIS Hongqiao to win the Bowl cup.

### **Football this term**

Our CISSA Football teams had really good seasons. Our CISSA boys' and girls' teams went through their seasons in most cases winning all their league games; all teams had players with good skills and our teams were tactically better prepared than the opposition. In the Cross River tournaments all the teams performed well and we witnessed all the teams winning lots of games and it augurs well for the future of our school football teams.

### **Swimming this term**

The Tiger Shark Swim team attended two swim meets this term and we have witnessed a number of excellent performances in the pool with lots of the students getting Personal Bests. There is a lot more swimming next term, including the FOBISIA meet in Phuket in late January.

### **U15 FOBISIA Competition**

The U15 FOBISIA Squad had a very good tournament and we had every player leaving the tournament with a medal. The football was our biggest success with both teams finishing runners up and we also had a lot of success in athletics and swimming. The students were a credit to the school.

### **Coming up Next Term!**

Next term we have the U13 FOBISIA and U11 FOBISIA competition. The U13 FOBISIA Trials will take place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> January from 8.30am-12pm for any students interested in taking part who were aged under 13 on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2015. The students involved in the U13 trial will have to play football, basketball and swim. The U11 FOBISIA trials will also take place on the same day from 11am-3pm for Y4-Y6 students, and they will have to play T-ball, football and swim.

There are, of course, lots more fixtures taking place next term so do take a look at the Sports Calendar on the website. Some of the fixtures are still being finalised so new fixtures will be added to the calendar over the Christmas break.

I look forward to another successful term of sport next term, and wish you all a wonderful Christmas break.

Best wishes,

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