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News from Discovery Week!

All have returned safely from last week's Discovery week activities – that is all except the Hawaii group, who return late tonight! No news is good news from Hawaii, although we did hear that they had all arrived safely, and all were happy with their homestay families. We will welcome them back into school on Friday, after a well earned rest tomorrow.

This Term: Well, school time marches on relentlessly, it seems hardly possible we have just over 5 weeks left of this term! Teachers are now back from the fun of last week to begin report writing on our new report format. The first to receive their reports will be the Year 7 students, followed by Year 12 and then Year 10, by the end of this term. Years 8 and 9 reports follow before Chinese New Year. Parent/Teacher Meetings will be held soon after you have received your reports, at which the teachers will be discussing the reports with you, and outlining targets for your child to work towards for the rest of the school year. We do hope you will make a note now of the parent/teacher meeting dates, which I have again written below.

More news from the students: The Year 12 students talked today to the school at Assembly, about the proposed "Room to Read" Charity "Readathon" which we shall be undertaking for the rest of this term and through the school holidays. We shall be asking all students to take part in this charity fund-raising sponsorship activity, and information about this will be coming home with the students this week. I do hope you will encourage your child to take part in this worthwhile activity, as not only will they be raising money for a very good cause, but they will be improving their reading skills at the same time! Proceeds from our recent bake sale will be donated towards the Room to Read to get our fund raising off to a great start!

Also this term the SRC will be organizing what is becoming an annual tradition, our Christmas Fair, which this year is in aid of Room to Read. Finally an apology, I should have informed you all that our final total for the Dress Casual Fund Raising Day back in September raised a wonderful total

of \$12,685, for the Community Chest. Well done to all and again, apologies for the delay in letting you all know of our total!

Winter Uniform: This week marks the official change from summer to winter uniform, which, to remind you all, consists of the following: For the boys – grey long trousers, our short sleeved shirt, plus a navy blue cardigan or v-necked sweater, black shoes. For the girls, substitute their grey skirts, and navy blue tights for the trousers! We are looking into sorting out a regulation navy blue jacket/fleece, which our Student Representative Council will choose next week. Also we have slightly changed our school badge, at the request of our school board, to include the Chinese words which constitute our whole school motto. Our supplier will produce the new badge, which will be available probably after Christmas, but you will all see it on our new report forms.

Year 12 news: All still progressing well for our first year Diploma Students, and shortly we shall be talking with them all about University or College Applications. This will take the form of inviting various Educational bodies to talk with the students, i.e. British Council, and their equivalent organizations from the US and Canada, and also beginning to write their CV's for their application forms, and for references the school has to provide for them all on request. So things are moving forwards for all our year 12's this year!

Reminder of Report and PT Meeting Dates from now until Chinese New Year:

December 3rd: Y7 Reports go Home
December 10th Y12 Reports go home
December 12th: Y7 Parent/Teacher meeting 4 – 6 p.m.
December 17th Y10 Reports go home
December 19th Y12 Parent/teacher meeting 4- 6 p.m.
January 9th: Y10 Parent/teacher meeting 4 – 6 p.m.
January 28th both Y8 and Y9 Reports will go home
February 20th: Y9 Parent/Teacher Meeting 4 – 6 p.m.
February 27th: Y8 Parent/teacher Meeting 4 – 6 p.m.

Other Dates:

December 21st: Break up for Christmas – 12 noon.
January 3rd: New Term begins – 9 a.m.
February 1st Last day before Chinese New Year Holiday.
February 19th: First day back after Chinese New Year Holiday.

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