

# SCS NEWS bulletin



## Introduction

### From the Principal's desk

As the Academic Year 2017-2018 draws to a close, it is an important time to stop and reflect on this past Academic year and to look forward to the upcoming year.

2017-2018 has been another year in which we all worked together to improve the quality of education. In March 2018 the Dutch Inspectorate visited the SCS and came to the conclusion that we are performing above the standards set by the Ministry of Education. There are items that we need to continue to focus on as the results of the questionnaires made clear. Results will be shared during an information evening.

Over the summer vacation I will be working with colleagues to put into place a smooth opening to the new academic year and setting the priorities to build upon the successes of the school so that we can improve still further. We should always seek to do better; to challenge ourselves and our students to set the highest standards and achieve our ambitious goals.

We will continue with the implementation of the CCSLC and the CVQ. Discussions are taking place with the Ministry of Education to see if and when we can start CAPE and level 3 for Vocational Education. Additionally, we will implement extra-curricular activities for all students and start after school clubs as part of our school program. These activities and clubs are mandatory as we strive to educate our students holistically.

We continue to seek your support in the upcoming academic year to make these activities a success.

Please turn over for more information about the activities and clubs.



The SCS will be hosting our first Family barbecue on July 4, 2018 (noon-3pm) at the Cove Bay.

Students are requested to bring along something to share with the rest of the school. Family members are invited to join us and to make this afternoon a memorable event. If you would like to help us, please contact the school ([administration@learningsaba.com](mailto:administration@learningsaba.com)) or Mrs. Tracy Zagers-Johnson.

### End of year Exam weeks

From June 18-29, 2018 all students will be sitting their end of year exam as well as their TerraNova standardized test for English and Math.



**Summer School 2018**

SCS Summer School will take place from July 9 – 13 for SCS Students. Students who are at risk are requested to join the Summer School program to ensure that they have a good start when the next academic year commences.

We also will be hosting Summer School for the upcoming Grade 6.

## Upcoming Events

### May

25 **House Activity**

Sabeplex Movie Night  
Tickets for Sale @ door

### June

A parent evening will be organized by Board + MT to inform parents/guardians about the upcoming academic year and a reflection on the current academic year (t.b.d.)

18 Start Exam weeks & TerraNova

19+20 Study finance in school

24 Mr. & Miss SCS Pageant

27 Hospitality Course Form 3A+4A+4V (9am-11am)

### July

2+3 Review Day

3 Report Card Meeting  
School ends at 12.15pm

4 Family BBQ at  
The Cove Bay (noon-3)

5 Report Card Distribution  
10 am—noon

Homeroom Activity

6 Summer Holiday begins

9 Start of Summer School

### August

20 All staff back in school

27 School resumes



### Student Tracking System

If you still have not received your Presentis information or lost your information, please contact the administration. To monitor your child's progress go to our website and click on the Presentis logo.

**House uniform is only allowed when there are House Activities planned.**

**All other days the students are expected to wear their school uniform .**

**Please be advised that students, who do not wear the correct uniform, will be sent home to change.**



## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Since school year 2017-2018, the SCS organizes Extra-Curricular Activities (ECA) for students in the Lower Forms and Pro.

For students it can be difficult to see just how the extra time and dedication will benefit them. From strengthening the mind to promoting better time management skills, extra-curricular activities can help students succeed in much more than just their academic endeavors.

For the upper forms extra-curricular support will be provided for SBA, Oral Examinations, and the Portfolio.

These activities are offered before 2pm.

Additionally, all students will have to choose 2 clubs (out of the available 20). These clubs are held after school between 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm and enables students to work on the following aspects:

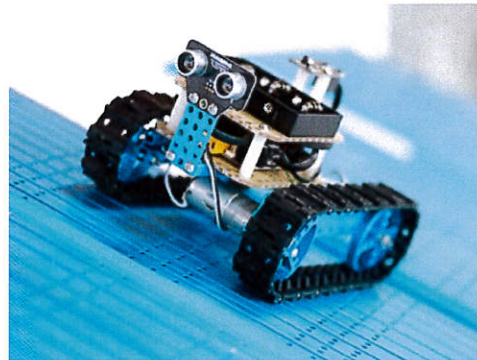
- Physical activity
- Development of leadership qualities
- Empowerment
- Career and guidance
- Community involvement



Extra-curricular and after school activities allow students to pursue interests outside of a standardized academic context. A student with a flair for mathematics, for example, might become a member of the school's robotics program. This decision



could help them decide if math will be something to pursue in higher education. Students can also use these activities to explore interests they have never encountered, exposing students to a more diverse range of interests in students.



Examples of extra-curricular activities are: snorkeling, music, hiking, archeology, swimming, web design, Leos, and boat building.

Examples of Clubs are: Sail Club, Spanish Club, Cooking Club, Archeology Club, Hiking Club, Leo Club, Drama/Music club, Debate club, Chinese Club, Robotics Club, Tech Club, Life Skills Club, Agriculture Club, Teen Times Club, and Sport Club.



*Pictures above show items from the agriculture 'Grow your own in the school' project.*



To the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the current  
Form 3A, 4A, and 4V (2017-2018)

*St. John's*, May 21, 2018

**Re :** Change upper school uniforms

*Dear parent(s)/guardian(s),*

Pleasant day to all of you! The Saba Comprehensive School proposed a new school uniform to the School Board for all Upper School students (Forms 4A, 4V, PrO 4, 5A, 5V and PrO 5) consisting of khaki pants and a maroon polo shirt with the SCS logo.


The rationale for implementing a new uniform for Upper School students is:

1. To distinguish the senior students (upper forms) from the junior students (lower forms).
2. To instill more responsibility, a sense of discipline and empowerment in our senior (exam class) students.
3. To take their role more seriously in serving as role models for our junior students.
4. To allow them to be easily identified within the school and wider community as Upper School students.

The School Board agreed with the proposal and the new uniform for the upper forms will be implemented at the start of the next school year 2018-2019. Everyt'ings, who currently supplies our existing school uniform shirts, has been informed in advance so that they could order the new polo shirts in a timely manner. The khaki pants can be ordered online from stores such as J C Penny or Old Navy. For parents who do not have credit cards, ICS or SES offers this service.

Please be advised that if you need financial support with the school uniform and/or school supplies, please contact the Social Affairs and Labor Department (see attached letter) or the principal of the SCS.

Hoping to have informed you sufficiently, on behalf of the SCS SCS Management Team,

  
Anton Hermans  
Principal SCS



Saba, May 21<sup>st</sup> 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Annually the department of Social Affairs and Labor assists parents in the purchase of the needed school uniforms and supplies (as indicated by the school). If you have a combined household income of \$ 1480 (or just above) and are interested in applying for the assistance please come to the Saba comprehensive school on one of the following dates:

**Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May 2018 or Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup> of May 2018 between 11am -12.30pm.**

**Please also bring along:**

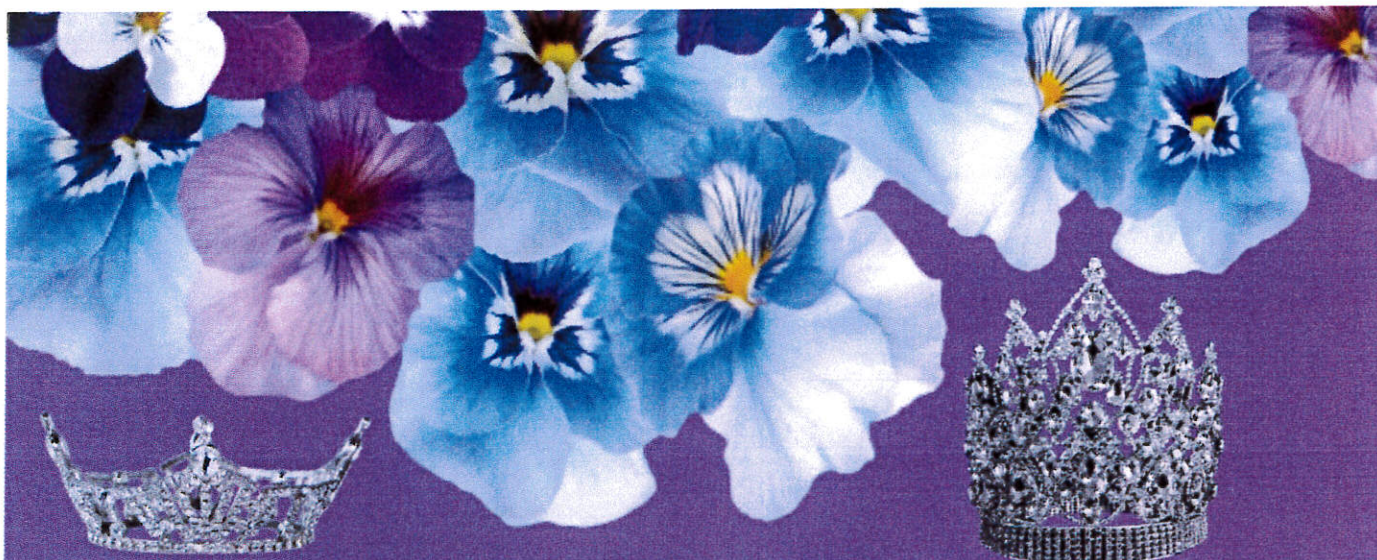
- **A valid proof of identification**
- **A proof of income**
- **Updated bankbook (or copy of recent internet banking)**
- **and expenses ( rent, utilities)**

If you qualify, the items will be purchased for your child (-ren) and can be collected at the school. The deadline for submission of your request is the 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2018. For any questions regarding this or any of our other assistance programs please feel free to call or come to our office at Capt. Matthew Levenstone Str. on 416-3804

Sincerely,

Raquel Spanner-Carty  
Social Affairs and Labor





# MR AND MISS

*SABA COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL*



*June 24th 2018 at 6:30pm*  
*Sunny Valley Youth Center*



**Tickets available at:**

**Big Rock Supermarket**

**Unique Supermarket**

**MyStore Supermarket**

**Saba Comprehensive School**

**TICKETS: ADULT \$15 • CHILDREN \$10 (12 AND BELOW)**





**Sabaplex**

movies. food. fun.

**7PM • FRIDAY  
MAY 25**



Sunny Valley Youth Center | Tickets available at Saba Comprehensive School.

Food & Drinks will be on Sale.

A Saba Comprehensive School Initiative with the Business Students of Academic Forms 3 & 4