

MANNERS MATTER

Being a part of an international community is a special privilege. To me, it's like traveling without getting on a plane. We learn from one another in so many ways. We are afforded a close glimpse in how differently we think, live and conduct ourselves. As members of such a diverse community as SCIS we celebrate our differences, but also thrive as a group when we find a common ground on which to interact with one another. By this, I mean displaying MANNERS. Of course, cultures may have different manners and mannerisms with which to interact with one another, but at SCIS we as teachers model certain behaviors that we feel instill respect among our citizens. Here are some manners that we model here at SCIS. By knowing and reviewing these with your child or children, you will give them a chance to make and maintain friendships, form positive relationships with teachers and to represent SCIS with confidence and pride in the community.

10 SOCIAL MANNERS THAT MATTER AT SCIS

- Say "Thank You" when receiving
- Don't walk between two people when they are talking
- Say "Please" when asking
- Use "Excuse Me" when bumping into someone, burping or passing gas
- Look the speaker in the eye (or towards them) when speaking to them or when you are spoken to
- Hold the door for others or avoid letting it close in their face
- Chew food with mouth closed
- Respond with a "yes", not a "yeah" or "huh?"
- Greet others with a "hi" or "how are you?"
- Give a firm handshake, not a "wet noodle" hand