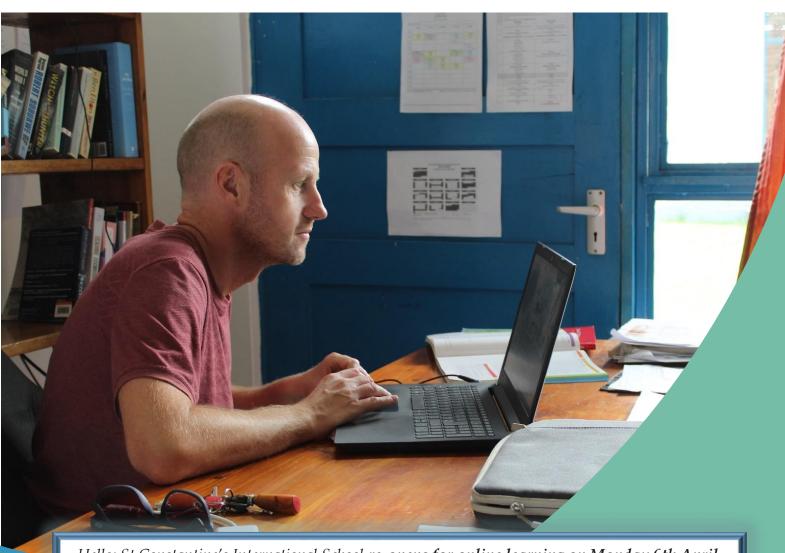




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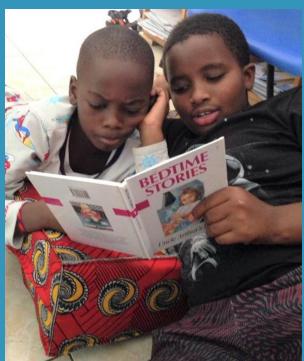


Hello: St Constantine's International School **re-opens for <u>online learning</u> on Monday 6th April**. We plan to re-open school fully on 20th April, however, the situation is very fluid. We are working with other schools, medical connections and of course listening to the Tanzanian Government. Any changes, or up-dates, will be emailed to you and will also feature on our Facebook page.

Take care. Tony Macfadyen, Headmaster

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS THE WORK GOES ON

The paths may look empty and the sound of laughter merely an echo of the past, but St Constantine's is far from silent as a new reality surges ahead in this modern world. Read



on to see how our teachers (like Mr Bishop on page 1 pictured preparing his online history class) and our support staff are working harder than ever to ensure that your children get the education they deserve.

While 'going to school' in one's pyjamas or jeans may become the norm, many of your children are already familiar with the new technology, and now it is up to you parents to ensure that, as they explore cyberspace, they remain safe.

Supervision is key at all ages. Explore the internet together with your children, talk to them about it and demonstrate the fun and educational activities on line.

Be in control by installing parental controls on your internet services and devices and make use of passwords on them all.

Search safely using search engines that are safe for children, and set boundaries for how long they can stay on line, and never allow their devices to be used in private.

HELP US FIND OUR ALUMNAE

If your family is all around you during these difficult times – your older children having returned from University and college, siblings and other relatives returned from overseas to be safe with their kin – can you please

Learn Through Games

Turn the child's interest in the internet and computers to your advantage through educational games Purple Mash and Literacy Planet are approved by school!



ask them a special question from us here at St Constantine's International School?



Have they joined our alumnae group?

While they are home, please get them to send us an email with their name, email address, phone, What's App etc; or they can go to our Alumnae Survey and fill in the questions there:

Click Here

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Pictured are alumnae at a St Constantine's gathering in 2017, with Head of Secondary, Mr Nderitu.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM – our primary platform



Online lessons begin on 6th April 2020. The 7th, 10th and 13th April are public holidays (Karume Day, Good Friday and Easter Monday respectively). Students may still submit work at this time if they need to.

Once lessons begin the guideline for secondary students is to follow their Daily Schedule - Timetable to make sure they are up to date with the classes and work they need to complete. All students will be expected to participate in lessons, as if they were attending school physically.

Your child's timetable can be viewed through the Parent portal on iSAMS, please contact our iSAMS Administrator – Daudi Mgaya – daudimgaya@scis.sc.tz if you are experiencing problems with the portal.

All students from <u>Year 5 upwards</u> need to make sure their school Google emails are functional and that they frequently check their mail. We ask all our parents to check that their children have functioning school emails and

that they have joined classes in all their subjects. Any student who has a problem with their email address / logins should contact our IT Manager – Abraham Kasago – **abrahamkasago@scis.sc.tz** for assistance as a matter of urgency.

Please know we are committed to providing quality at-home learning opportunities for all students, these arrangements allowing us to maintain the safety of staff and all our SCIS families. We will keep you updated on all that we are planning on delivery of lessons.



We have gathered and produced a lot of great content around remote teaching.....

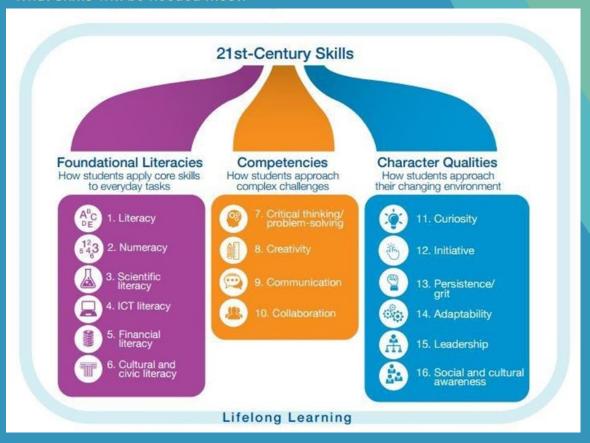
Teachers have always been a portion of the population to rise to meet any challenge. The current COVID-19 crisis may prove to be this generation's great obstacle. What other group has found itself forced to convert to working and instructing others online within the time span of a few days? We adapt. We are flexible. And we will prove our value as we overcome this challenge. This is our time to shine.

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, schools are being required to augment their instructional techniques and convert to remote learning environments, all in a matter of days.

Educating is truly a collaborative venture and has the most success when the teacher, parent, and student work, struggle, connect, and celebrate together.

As we work on line, we should take this opportunity to develop skills that will be increasingly needed in the future of our children. According to the World Economic Forum report "New Vision for Education: Fostering Social and Emotional Learning Through Technology", today's job candidates must be able to collaborate, communicate and solve problems – skills developed mainly through social and emotional learning (SEL). Combined with traditional skills, this social and emotional proficiency will equip students to succeed in the evolving digital economy.

What skills will be needed most?





Top 10 skills

in 2020

- 1. Complex Problem Solving
- 2. Critical Thinking
- Creativity
- 4. People Management
- 5. Coordinating with Others
- 6. Emotional Intelligence
- 7. Judgment and Decision Making
- 8. Service Orientation
- 9. Negotiation
- 10. Cognitive Flexibility

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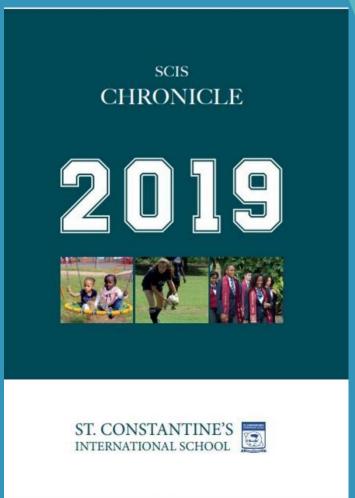
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- 6. Quality Control
- Service Orientation
- 8. Judgment and Decision Making
- 9. Active Listening
- 10. Creativity

PLEASE HELP US WITH OUR YEAR BOOK

Remember the excitement the day the year book comes out? The students and parents love to go back through the year and recall all the wonderful activities, successes and events over the 12 months before.

Our Year Book is brought out each year through the support and kindness of our sponsors and advertisers, like **LEOPARD TOURS**. Thanks to them, we are able to pay for the printing of this wonderful publication.

Like so many things happening around the world today, the sales of advertising for our Year Book have been affected. **We need your help, and we offer you ours.**



The Chronicle is no ordinary publication that is read once and then cast aside to wrap the scraps. It is a treasured document that both students and parents read not once, but multiple times and keep forever in their memory chest.

Even in our department, whenever we want to identify a student, we turn to this book where we can see names and faces, activities and celebrations quickly and easily.

With only a select few advertisers, you know your advertisement will stand out – and we will make sure of that. We offer you a marketing tool which reaches directly into a special target market of potential clients. We can create your advertisement for you, so it stands out and is an exciting promotion of your product – one that you might definitely need after this crisis is over.

For the first time in our Year Book, we are offering a special SUPPORTERS business card page which can be removed and kept on a noticeboard so readers have your name and phone number featured prominently and are referenced back to your larger advertisement. The combination of the two will be an even stronger marketing tool, especially if you offer an incentive to respond....

OR we invite parents to simply show their support for the school by purchasing a business card space with your own special message to keep students and teachers going in these difficult times.

For your support, not only are we offering you a new weapon in your arsenal of marketing tools, but at the following low prices and Note – VAT is INCLUDED in our price! Contact Lucy for an online copy of the 2019 edition so you can see our prestigious publication.

Position	Cost in Tsh
Inside back cover	1,500,000
Full page	1,200,000
Half page	660,000
Quarter page	420,000

SUPPORTERS Business card 220,000 for ad only Tsh 170,000 if taken in addition to a larger advertisement.

CONTACT LUCY NOW FOR YOUR SPACE – REMEMBER, AN ADVERTISEMENT IN OUR YEAR BOOK LASTS FOR YEARS - A PROMOTION, A MEMORY, AN INVESTMENT!



WE HAVE PRIDE IN OUR SCHOOL

As work goes on inside the classrooms and computer laboratories, our maintenance staff are also taking the opportunity to tidy up the grounds, undertake repairs and ensure that everything is spic and span for when



students
finally return.
Pictured
above are: Sia,
Angelina,
Mariam and
Aisha keeping
on top of the
leaves and
debris; left is
Samwel
keeping our
grass and



grounds trimmed and neat; and right is Rose, the meticulous keeper of the front office.