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Term 4 starts Wednesday, May 3

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VISION

To be an educational institution of excellence from Kindergarten to University Foundation level combining Eastern Values with an International education to produce global citizens.

MISSION

To provide quality educational programmes in a creative and challenging learning environment, embracing innovative teaching pedagogies to empower every student to become a life-long learner.

Dear Parents

It was wonderful to see so many parents and children at the Family Fun Day. The activities and friendly contests were enjoyed by all!

Last Monday two special guests visited our school to monitor our progress in the accreditation process for Western Alliance of Schools and Colleges (WASC). The two teachers, from international schools in Hong Kong and Kuala Lumpur, were part of a larger team visiting all SIS schools in Vietnam this week. At SIS@Danang they saw in action the Learning Centres in Prep Red, Buddy Reading in Year 3/4 International and student presentations from Mr Daan's IPW class. Well done to the students who spoke with the visitors in a forum – Emmy, Georgia, Eclipse, Bao Nghi, Judy, Nokia, Adam and Cooper.

Last week, Year 9 dedicated their assembly presentation to teaching about the Anniversary of the Death of King Hung and the significance of the public holiday.

The Science Fair about heat transference organized by IGCSE1 was very much appreciated by our primary classes and their teachers.

I really enjoyed meeting parents of Prep students at the information session this week about transition to Year 1.

I would like to acknowledge the dedication and hard work of Ms Bernadette as relieving HoS for the past two terms, as Ms Kelsey returns from maternity leave next term.

I hope that you have a safe and restful term break and I look forward to seeing everyone again when school resumes on Wednesday, 3rd May.

Anne Matley (Ms)
Principal

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Message from Deputy Principal

What a big term three SIS@Danang has had! I hope that everyone has an enjoyable break with their friends and families and that you stay safe on your travels.

Not long after we return from term break, students in Year 1 to Year 9 will begin their exams. A reminder of the exam dates can be seen below.

English Paper 1 - speaking exam	22 – 24 May
English Paper 2 - writing exam	Thursday 25 May
English Paper 3 - language and comprehension exam	Friday 26 May
Mathematics* **	Monday 29 May
English Paper 4 - listening exam	Tuesday 30 May
Science**	Wednesday 31 May

*Students in Year 6 and above complete two Mathematics papers.

**Only students in International classes

Family Fun day

Thank you to those families who attended the Family Fun day held on Saturday 15 April. It was great to meet more of our students' parents and family members and see the students having so much fun. Congratulations to those families who participated in the contests and won events. We hope that you enjoy the photos on the website taken that day.

Year 5/6/7 International IPW class

During term three Mr Daan's Year 5/6/7 International students have been working hard to develop a product and brand of their own. On Monday 17 April the students proudly presented their product in a marketplace. They had to develop a shop front, a website and a commercial and also had to pitch their idea to their customers. Their shops were then judged by students from other classes who visited the market and sampled the products as well as four staff judges. Congratulations to all five groups, you did a wonderful job and it was evident from the high level of your presentations that a lot of work went into the projects. First place went to Cindy, Henry and Mai from Juice Box and coming in a close second were Judy, Bo, Beam and Casey from DIY Kits. Congratulations again to all the Year 5/6/7 International students.

Chelsea Donaldson (Ms)



Family Fun Day concluded with the medal ceremony



Family Fun Day was lots of fun!!!



Excellent work shown in IPW presentations

Message from SVIS Principal

Dear Parents,

Our Year 9 students completed their DOET exams from April 17 to April 21, 2017. These nine Y9 integrated students were reviewed the secondary graduation. Teachers and students (Y1-Y8) focused on revision and preparation for Y1 – Y8 Integrated Semester 2 Examinations. Some of our integrated students completed the academic contests and sport contests such as Literature, Maths, English, Swimming. To help our students achieve their best results for the Semester 2 examinations, we have opened ECA tutorial classes after school (4:00 pm – 5:00 pm) for students who would like extra tuition (Y1 – Y8).

Upcoming plans

On 27 April, Year 4 integrated students will sit in the Maths and Vietnamese Assessment Examinations.

Students from Year 6 to Year 8 will be sitting in the Semester 2 examinations from 8 to 12 May 2017.

Students from Year 1 to Year 5 will be sitting in the Semester 2 examinations from 15 to 19 May 2017.

After semester 2 examinations, students will prepare their performances for the school-year closing ceremony and the End of Year School Concert.

Teachers will collect academic evidences to assess students' progresses this year; review the primary graduation for year 5 integrated students and continue to review the secondary graduation for year 9 integrated students.

For our students to achieve good results in the examinations, we would like parents to encourage the students to spend some time revising their work during the holidays and term 3 break.

The tentative date of the parents meeting for the SVIS students is on 03 June

The tentative date of the closing ceremony for the SVIS students is on 09 June.

Yours sincerely,

Vu Thi Lan



Y2 Int'd love going to the Library to read



Y6 Int'l diligently doing Typing Practice



Egg-painting was popular with Kindergarten

Message from Head of Studies

The iGCSE written exams start on 3rd May and end on Friday 26th May. Good luck to our IG2 students with their final preparation and revision for these exams.

SIS exams start on Monday 22nd May and end on Wednesday 31st May. Good luck to all those who will take these exams.

Ms Kelsey will return to work on Wednesday 3rd May and will resume her role as Head of Studies. Many thanks for your support whilst I have been covering the role.

**Bernadette McCurrie (Ms)
Relieving HoS**

Message from Head of Kindergarten

We had a very exciting month with excursions and learning about ways of taking care of Mother Earth and Easter activities as well.

Nursery and K1 students enjoyed their safe and fun trip to Lotte Mart playhouse, where they could learn through play and hands-on activities. The children were impressed by different toys and games there such as playing in the ball house, traveling around in the choo-choo train, playing in the sandpit, jumping on the giant stuffed Teddy bear, dancing on the big keyboard and pretending to be doctors and nurses. What a great time together!

K2 students enjoyed their wonderful excursion to Fahasa bookshop. They behaved very well at the bookstore. Looking at different kinds of books and choosing their favourite books on their own were really a nice experience to all. Everyone had a chance to pay for the books with real money.

Although it was hot, the field trip to Hoi An with the Preps was a great success. Everyone loved to visit the village where they could see beautiful traditional art pieces. Making the pots from terra-cotta was so much fun. The most lovely part about the excursion was bringing home a terra-cotta blowing toy. This week students and teachers had great fun taking part in all the Easter games and activities such as making Easter baskets and face masks, hunting for Easter eggs and decorating the Easter eggs on our own.

"We love the Mother Earth" was one of the highlights of the month. We learned about ways of taking care of the environment and the Earth such as cleaning up garbage, protecting animals' habitats, keeping the water clean and recycling.

Vo Thi Thuy Ngan

Easter egg hunt!



Kindergarten enjoyed finding the hidden eggs



Easter Bunny was very generous!