



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.

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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.

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Dear Parents,

Since returning from the Christmas holiday period, students have been working hard reviewing and sitting the KinderWorld Semester 1 examinations. All exams have now been completed and teachers are analysing results and preparing reports. Teachers will be informing you of the day and times they will be available to issue reports and discuss your child's progress. Reports will be issued after the Tet holiday period for students from Year 1 to IGCSE 2.

Deputy Principal

We warmly welcome our new Deputy Principal, David Swanson to our school community and wish David a happy and productive time at Singapore International School.

Singapore International Schools' Business Competition

... and the winners were....DANANG!

On Saturday, 16 January, SIS, Danang hosted the second Inter-school Business Competition. Six teams of IGCSE 2 students from SIS @ Danang, SIS @ Saigon South and SIS @ Vung Tau were given the task to present a marketing strategy for a designated target market. The target country was Portugal and the islands of the Azores and the objective was to present to the local Portuguese Government a marketing strategy for sustainable tourism for the Azores Island chain.

We are extremely proud of our students who won this competition and we congratulate them for their team work and effort.

The judges were impressed with all the teams' presentations, especially the students' ability to present their marketing strategies confidently and knowledgeably.



Business Competition – Winning Team

We appreciated the judges' comments and suggestions and congratulate the competing students from the three schools who contributed to such a worthwhile event. It is pleasing to see how our students have developed their critical thinking, communication and research skills to this point.

The competing students were able to celebrate their achievements after the presentations with a dinner in Hoi An. The following morning, the students met once more for a buffet breakfast at a seaside resort in Danang.

Book Club

For those who ordered books in our recent Book Club offer, we are hoping the books will arrive by early March in time for 'March is Reading Month'.

Extra-curricular Activities

Mr David has sent out the extra-curricular activities that will be offered for Term 3. Activities will commence in the week of 22 February and conclude on Friday, 1 April.

Excursions

The kindergarten children have been learning about books and celebrating stories from around the globe. The culminating activity for the children was an excursion to Fahasa Book Shop which they all enjoyed.

Primary and secondary students have had a great time at several venues. Year 6 and Year 4 students visited Tra Que Vegetable Village where they learned to cook traditional Hoi An food.

The Secondary students have been learning about bio-diversity and their unit of work culminated with a visit to the Green Viet Education Centre at Son Tra. All excursions have proved to be highly successful.

Our Kindergarten children have also been having fun planting vegetables in the campus vegetable garden. The children are hoping to be able to eat their healthy produce when the time is right.

On behalf of the staff, we wish you all a very happy Luna New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Lesley Walker



Reading Buddy Time



Active and Responsible Citizens learning about Occupations



Tra Que Vegetable Garden Excursion

Message from the Deputy Principal

It is a pleasure to be on board as the newest member of the Singapore International School @ DaNang staff. I have been much impressed with our wonderful students, the excellent teaching faculty and the fine facilities that SIS has to offer. The warm and welcoming environment in which students can easily grow and learn is very apparent.

To let you know a little bit about myself, I come from the United States, having lived in Colorado and Minnesota. Most recently, however, I have lived overseas in a variety of countries. In total I have spent nearly fifteen years in Southeast Asia. My experience in working with school-age children extends back more than twenty years. I began my career in education as a Science teacher and then moved into school administration. I am currently in my seventh year as a school administrator. Needless to say, I have a strong belief in the power of education.

My role at SIS will involve supporting instruction and curricular development, managing student behaviour, and coordinating programs such as the ECA. I enjoy utilizing technology in education and hope I can share some expertise in that area as the school moves forward. I have been a part of the WASC accreditation process at several international schools and look forward to being a part of the accreditation this year at Singapore International School @ DaNang.

I am very enthusiastic about working with the SIS leadership and teaching staff as they continue to provide a rigorous academic program for students. It is a pleasure to be a part of an institution that prepares students so well for the future. SIS is a wonderful academic institution that you should feel proud to have your students attend. Education is a dynamic and highly personal process that Singapore International School takes very seriously.

For those students who work hard, I am confident the future will hold many amazing opportunities.

Yours sincerely,

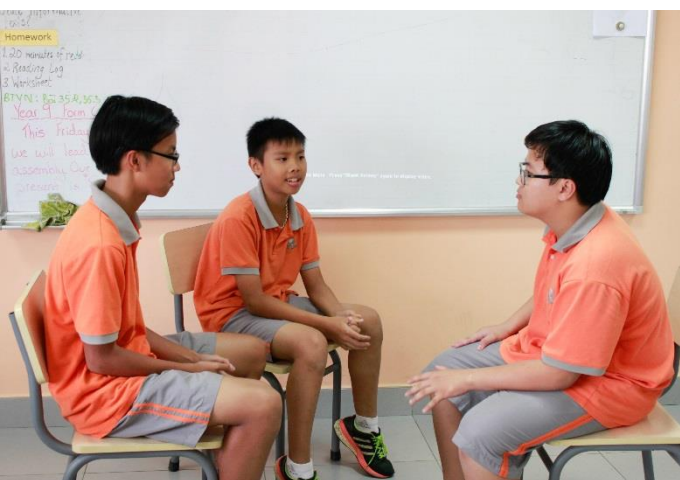
Mr. David Swanson



Academic Achievers of the week



Creative Students enjoying their Art lesson



Year 9 Students practicing to be confident communicators

Message from Head of Vietnamese

We would like to share some results from Semester I exams which were rated and commented by the form teachers as follows:

Primary:

- 100% students complete the mission of learning, including 89 students completed excellently (76, 1%); 25 students completed well (21, 3%) and 3 students completed (2, 6%)
- 99, 14% students reach the goal of completion and development capacity and quality;
- 0,86% students need to try their best.

Secondary:

- Excellent: 32 students (62, 57%); Good: 17 Students (33, 33%); Average: 2 students (3, 92%); Poor/ Weak: None (0%)

On 8 January, 55 students passed round 10 of the Online Mathematics Competition and will continue to take part in the rounds for the District Level Competition. We congratulate the students who have graduated to the next level of the competition.

In the spirit of sportsmanship, our students participated in a chess competition where they competed with other students in 10 games in Ngu Hanh Son Culture House. Although they didn't win any prizes, they had a lot of fun and a wonderful experience.

The seven students who won the swimming competition at district level are practising hard to attend one in city level. They are: Nguyễn Vũ Bảo Vy (year 5); Nguyễn Gia Hưng (year 5); Trịnh Thục Đoan (year 3); Nguyễn Trang Anh (year 6); Thân Ngọc Anh Thư (year 7); Nguyễn Vũ Bảo Nghi (year 8); .Hàng Adam Conroy (year 8); Cao Ngô Phương Khánh (year 7).

Ms Kelsey and Mr David have been taking these children for training on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

We were very happy to see so many parents at the Parent Meeting which was held on 16 January. The meeting was a chance for teachers to inform parent student progress.

Wishing you a new year filled with good luck and prosperity!

Sincerely,

Hiệu trưởng (Vũ Thị Lan)



Striving for Academic growth



Year 3 Students enjoying a drama lesson



K2 Students love gardening

Message from Head of Studies

We have successfully completed the Semester 1 exam series for YR 1-9 students. I'd like to congratulate all of them on their hard work.

The IGCSE students will finish their practice exams on Thursday, 4 February. We will be holding parent teacher conferences the week of February 20-27 to discuss your student's exams and report cards. Please make sure you are in communication with your child's teacher about these conferences.

I hope you all have a lovely Tet holiday filled family and relaxation. Take care and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Kelsey McDonald

Upcoming Dates

4 February:	Last day of Term 2
15 February:	School Resumes (Term 3)
20 -27 February:	Parent/Teacher Report conferences
21-22 February:	SVIS Swimming Finals
22 February:	ECA commences
8 March:	Kindergarten Sports' Day
11 March:	Primary/Secondary Sports' Day
14-18 March:	WASC Visit
12-15 April:	Year 9 DOET Exams
16 April:	Family Fun Picnic
25 April:	Term 3 Holidays



Nursery children enjoy a day out at Vincom Plaza



K1 children learning about fire prevention and safety



Kindy children enjoyed their Book Week excursions

