



**SINGAPORE  
INTERNATIONAL  
SCHOOL**  
*Since 1986*

## 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.

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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**Dear Parents,**

The academic year of 2014-2015 seems to have passed very quickly. We thank you all for your support throughout the year, especially in events such as the Christmas Charity Fair, Family Fun Picnic, Report Conferences and Parent Information Meetings.

I appreciate the efforts of the entire staff of Singapore International School. All staff members play an important role in the school operations and we are all very dependent upon each other to provide the best for your children.

#### **Farewell to Staff and Students**

The end of each school year is a time of mixed emotions. It is a time we have to say farewell to several of our families and friends. Our GAC students will be departing for the USA to commence their tertiary studies. We wish them all the best in their new surroundings. We have several long term families who will also be leaving us to take up positions abroad or in other cities. Thank you for your support during your time in Danang.

Our deputy Principal, Ms Liz will also be leaving us this year to return to the USA. Liz commenced with KinderWorld in 2008 and was promoted to Deputy Principal in 2011. Liz has contributed much to the school. Her roles have included Examination Coordinator for the Cambridge IGCSE, Director of Studies for the Global Assessment Certificate, American College Test Centre Supervisor, WASC Coordinator and committee member of the Assessment and Reporting Committee for the system wide schools. We appreciate Liz's contribution to SIS @ Danang.

#### **End of Year Concert**

We congratulate our students who received awards at the End of Year Concert, Graduation and Awards Evening.



Congratulations to our GAC Graduates

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**International Academic Awards**

Year 1	Andrea Nguyen
Year 2	Sophie Foot
Year 3	Park Jibin
Year 5	Jeffrey Cooper Haney
Year 6	Yao YINUO
Year 7	Choi Jun Seo
Year 8	Ngo Nguyen Anh Nhu
Year 8	Nguyen Anh Tien
IGCSE 1	Alyssa Bao
IGCSE 2	Lee Samuel

**Academic Award- English**

Year 1	Hugo Jose Sanchez Barroso Nguyen
Year 2	Nguyen Huynh Nhat Anh
Year 3	Tran Vo Bao Han
Year 4	Nguyen Gia Hung
Year 5	Huynh Ha Bao Ngoc
Year 6	Cao Ngo Phuong Khanh
Year 7	Nguyen Ngoc Anh Thu
Year 8	Luong Duc Anh
Year 9	Doan Ngoc Linh Dan

**Future Star Award International**

Year 1	Nicolas Franz
Year 2	Lee Seoung Yeon
Year 3	Kim Joo Eun
Year 4	William Foot
Year 5	Lionne Boos
Year 6	Dinh Hoang Nam
Year 7	Nguyen Hoang Dat
Year 8	Phung Michelle
IGCSE 1	Duong Quang Minh
GAC	Hoang Khanh Han

**Future Star Award Integrated**

Year 1	Luong Van Doanh
Year 2	Nguyen Viet Hien An
Year 3	Baek Soo Jin
Year 4	Huynh Khuat Thuy Giao
Year 5	Dao Quang Phi Hung
Year 6	Ho Dac Minh Tri
Year 7	Dao Thao Nguyen
Year 8	Vi Bao Tran
Year 9	Do Van Dung

**Sports Award**

Primary	William Foot
Secondary	Lee Samuel

**Citizenship Award**

Primary	Nguyen Bui Phuong Nghi
Secondary	Cloe Ann Montoya



Academic Awards



Nursery Super Stars



K1B – Performing Pineapples

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Congratulations also to our graduating Prep class who looked very 'grown up' on Graduation night. We look forward to welcoming these students into our Primary School in August.

Their message to us was to 'Never Stop Learning' and this message will not be lost on our GAC graduates who will be commencing their tertiary studies. We are proud of you all.

We greatly appreciate the efforts of our concert coordinator and Music teacher, Laurel Dosman, who spent many hours preparing the students for the End-of Year Concert items. She did a magnificent job ensuring that our students were ready for the special event.

Thank you also to the many staff members who contributed their time, energy and talents to the smooth running of the concert in the way of props, art display, lighting, sound and theatre arrangements.

### **iPSLE**

Our Year 6 students have spent the past week undertaking the iPSLE examinations in English, Science and Mathematics. These examinations are set by the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board and are very grueling. The students have spent the whole year preparing for these exams with the help of several teachers. They will receive their results later in the year. We wish them every success in achieving great results.

### **WASC and Schoolwide Learner Goals**

As you would be aware, throughout the year we have been working tirelessly to ensure our school is ready for our next WASC inspection which will be occurring in early Term 3. As such, our students are very aware of our school wide learner goals upon which we base our lessons and Student of the Week awards. I have often referred to our school wide learner goals (SWLGs) in the newsletter, as we believe these are fundamental to our goal of creating Global Citizens. If you have any questions or require further information regarding our SWLGs please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher or speak directly to me.

### **Head of Studies**

This year, Ms Sally Nymark took on the role of Head of Studies.

Sally had many extra responsibilities which involved assisting Ms Liz in Cambridge examinations, the English Proficiency and Global Assessment Certificate programmes and well as taking a leading role in the WASC accreditation progress report.

Sally has chosen to step down from this role in the next school year and return to a full-time teaching role. We thank



Congratulations to our Prep Graduates



K1A Performance



K2 – Enjoying the being in the spot light

**School Uniforms**

The office staff has asked that all parents buy students' school uniforms before the 17 August. There will be no uniforms sold in the first week of the new school year.

Please note the school uniform policy which requires students to wear closed in shoes (black, grey or white); girls' long hair must be tied back, boys' hair is to be above the collar.

**June-July Events**

Students have been proactive since the examination period organising fun events for primary and secondary students. The Student Dance Committee, with the help of Ms Kelsey and Mr Mike, held our first ever dance on Saturday, 13 June. Students chose a black and white theme and did a magnificent job ensuring the night would be a success.

Student Council members were kept busy after the exams period planning a celebratory Water Festival which students from Year 1 to GAC were able to enjoy on Wednesday, 1 July. We thank the Student Council members and teachers for providing so many fun activities during the festival.

Our second senior students' camp was held on 2-3 July at Cham Island. Students engaged in team building activities and swimming over the two day camp. All students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and are looking forward to next year's camping experience. Ms Kelsey's and Mr Mike's efforts in organising such a successful camp were appreciated.

**Nepal Earth Quake Appeal**

We thank you and your children for the very generous donations to the Nepal Earth Quake Disaster Appeal we held in the month of June. The generosity of our school community is wonderful. We managed to raise VND18,029,770. We sent the donation (AUD1,090.00) to UNICEF Australia Nepal Earth Quake Appeal.

**Donation details - Ref: AR0RC3528402**

Date:	2015-Jun-23
Time:	15:49
Amount:	\$1090.00
Appeal name:	Nepal Earthquake Appeal

As this school year closes, I thank the staff, students and families for your continuous commitment to SIS @ Danang. We wish you a safe and happy summer vacation.

Yours sincerely,

Lesley Walker



Seniors' Dance



Water Festival



Cham Island Camp

### **Deputy Principal's Message**

It has been a privilege and pleasure to be part of the community at Singapore International School @ Danang that has accomplished another successful school year.

As my last year as Deputy Principal draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to offer words of thanks to the team whose tremendous efforts keep this school operating. We could not be the success we are without the behind-the-scenes work done to ensure our students are able to learn in a safe and clean environment. The teaching staff and assistants here prioritise the needs of our students to appropriately guide them in their educational journeys. This year, like the others, has been full of hard work and learning experiences that have seen this school grow into what it is today. The experiences I have had with such a fantastic team of colleagues will not be forgotten. I thank you all for your support over the past 8 years.

### **Message from Head of Studies**

In June the IGCSE 2 students finished their last Cambridge examination while the Year 1-9 students started their semester examinations. IGCSE 1 students will also have semester examinations for the subjects they are studying.

Many of our students and their families will travel abroad during the summer holiday. While overseas, please consider visiting an English language book store and buying your children some books they can hold. Reading is still the best way to create smarter students!

### **Message from Head of Vietnamese**

In June, we held the Vietnamese parent interviews for reporting the academic results of this school year. We also held the 2014- 2015 End of Year ceremony on 12 June. During the ceremony, we presented the Certificate of Secondary School Graduation to four Year 9 Integrated students and the Certificate of Primary School Graduation to sixteen Year 5 Integrated students. Students who won the prizes in the competitions with government school students under District and City levels were awarded as well.

As the last month of this school year, students have had chances to revise the skills and concepts studied during the year. Students also sat last year's Vietnamese and Mathematics tests. The purpose of these tests is to support teachers of new school year in assessing and monitoring the students' progress.

On behalf of all teachers, I wish you all a very enjoyable summer holiday over the next five weeks. We look forward to seeing you again on 17 August 2015 in the bustling atmosphere of the new school year, 2015 – 2016.

Sincerely,  
Vu Thi Lan



Year 1 Integrated



Pool Progress

#### **Upcoming Dates**

- 10 July: Last day this academic year
- 12 - 14 August: Teacher In-service days
- 17 August: Term 1 commences
- 2 August: National Day holiday
- 30 October: Last day Term 1
- 9 November: Term 2 commences

#### **School Website**

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# Snapshots

