



### 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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Dear Parents,

It has been a very busy month with several exciting events occurring such as the students' Singapore trip to attend the Model ASEAN summit; Kindergarten Sports Day; Primary and Secondary Sports Day; Easter activities for the Kindergarten classes; class excursions, soccer matches and of course the WASC Accreditation Team's visit.

### Examinations

Next month we will be commencing the IGCSE examination period. Students will sit the ICT Practical Exams on 12 April and 14 April. The written exams will commence on 3 May. The Year 9 Department of Education and Training (Vietnam) Examinations for our Year 9 integrated students will be held during the week of 12-15 April also.

### Annual Sports' Day

The Annual Sports' Day was held on Friday, 25 March. Both Red and Gold teams put in their best effort to be the winners on the day- but only one team can win and this year the trophy goes to the Gold team. Congratulations to the Gold team and to all our competitors who demonstrated excellent sporting spirit.

### Swimming Programme

We will be recommencing the swimming programme for students in Year 5 to IGCSE 2 during the week commencing **11 April**. Our HPE teacher, Leila Crystal, will be send out more information on this next week. The students in the younger classes will recommence their swimming programme in Term 4.

### Family Fun Picnic

It has been suggested by several parents that we hold the Family Fun Picnic in the school grounds this year. It will be held on **21 May**, commencing at 3:00pm. Further information will be sent to you early in May.



IGCSE Students at the Model ASEAN Summit  
in Singapore



Easter craft



Kindergarten Sports Day



Primary – Secondary Sports Day

### **King Hung Anniversary**

Please note that the school will be closed on Monday, 18 April as it is a public holiday to celebrate the contributions of the Hung Kings, the traditional founders of Vietnam.

We wish you all a happy month ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Lesley Walker

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

The WASC Accreditation visit this month provided a great opportunity for SIS @ DaNang to receive some valuable feedback from a respected source outside of the school. Overall, the feedback was very positive! The WASC visiting team was very much impressed with our teaching faculty and the hard work they have put in to assure that we have a quality system of education in place. They also commended the effective leadership provided by our principal, Ms. Lesley Walker, and the positive effect she has had on the school. Our superb facilities and the commitment of the KinderWorld organization to creating an excellent learning environment were also applauded by the visiting team. In addition, the WASC team noted that we have a wonderful community of parents and students – but we knew that already!

Of course there are areas in which we can improve as a school. As we move forward, we will need to create an action plan to meet the recommendations provided by the WASC team. Goals for the future may include: working to further develop and organize our curriculum to create an even stronger academic program for our students and continuing to develop systems of organization and structure to support the growth of the school.

SIS @ DaNang is in good shape overall and will only get better. Thank you to everyone who showed so much dedication to the school throughout the WASC accreditation process.

Best wishes,

David Swanson  
Deputy Principal



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

The IGCSE 2 students had the opportunity of a lifetime to spend a week in Singapore at the Hwa Chong Institute for the 14th annual Mock ASEAN Summit.

The students represented both Malaysia and Philippines in week long committees to pass legislation connected to the environment, economics, peace and security and human rights. They followed the exact guidelines of an actual ASEAN summit to initiate, draft, and pass declarations in order to incite change within ASEAN. This event was completely student driven by the students of Hwa Chong.

All eight of the SIS students eagerly participated in the hands on learning that was 21st century relevant.

Students also had some time to explore the beautiful city of Singapore. Overall, it was an experience that the students thoroughly enjoyed and I think all of us will remember this experience for years to come.

The IGCSE 2 students will commence their final exams on the 12 of April and have exams up until the end of May. Parents, please do not forget that the IGCSE 2 students must return back to school one day early from break on Tuesday, 3 May to take their English exams.

Warm regards,

Kelsey McDonald  
(Head of Studies)

### **Message from Principal of SVIS**

In March, the teachers in the integrated programme have been incorporating many activities to improve teaching and learning outcomes. The teachers are working conscientiously to develop their skills and teaching methods based on critical thinking and creative ability development for students.

This month, we organized the Vietnamese tests for Primary integrated students for the mid Semester 2 exams. At the end of March, teachers will issue report books to parents.

### **High Achieving Students**

Congratulations to Vi Bao Tran (Mary) in Y9 Integrated who won the second prize in English Competition at the city level. Forty-seven students from Year 1, 2,3,4,8 passed round 15



Nursery children playing with their Kites craft



Soccer matches continue



Reading Buddies





It has been lovely weather for gardening



Kindergarten children learning to read using letters and sounds



K2 children enjoying their art lessons

of the Online Maths Contest.

These students were selected to take part in the city level contest on 23 March.

Seven students won three Bronze Medals and 1 Silver Medal in the swimming competition at the district/ city level and one student (Bao Nghi Y8) will continue to take part in the national level in early April.

Year 9 students are working towards achieving excellent results in the Semester 2 exams which will be held by DOET from 12 -14 April.

Currently, there are eleven students in Year 5 integrated attending the tutorial classes after school for the Maths and Vietnamese Competition; five students in Year 8 will participate in the Chemistry, Literature and English Competition which will be held by Ngu Hanh Son District DOET in April, 2016.

We appreciate our parents' support and communication with us about student's academic life so we can all help them succeed.

Sincerely,

Vu Thi Lan

### Kindergarten

The kindy children had a busy and exciting month practicing for their special Sports Day which they all enjoyed.

The Easter celebrations included Easter art activities, egg hunt and then the final surprise was to see that the Easter Bunny had left, not only treats in their Easter baskets, but also bunny paw marks.

### The Month Ahead

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| 11 April: | Swimming programme recommences                 |
| 12 April: | Cambridge IGCSE and Year 9 DOET exams commence |
| 18 April: | King Hung Anniversary Holiday                  |
| 22 April: | Earth Day                                      |
| 25 April: | Term Break                                     |
| 3 May:    | IGCSE Exam                                     |
| 4 May:    | School Resumes (Term 4)                        |
| 21 May:   | Family Fun Picnic                              |