



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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9am – 11 am**

Message from Principal

Dear Parents,

We were very fortunate to have a presentation from *Green Monday Vietnam* for students, teachers and parents. The session focused on healthy eating, animal welfare and sustainable living and its positive impact on the environment and the plant-based snacks were enjoyed by all. Ms Trang, who is based in Ho Chi Minh City, was very impressed with the vegetable and herb garden which supplies most of the plant ingredients for PIC kitchen. You can find more information on their website greenmonday.vn or on facebook. If we adopt Green Monday, we will be the first school in Vietnam to do so!

Ms Kathy has been organizing the Reading Month activities and students have been encouraged to count their reading minutes to add to the school total. The goal is 250,000 minutes by the end of March and our school is well on track at over 206,000 minutes at the time of writing. Judged at the end of term, there is also a Class Door Decoration competition to advertise the books the students are reading. Students may bring comfortable clothes to change in to on Friday, April 21, to celebrate their reading success.

Thank you to Mr Daan for organizing the football competition conducted at recess over the past few weeks. I would like to commend all students participating for their sportsmanship and congratulate the winning teams:


Div 1: (Y 1 - 4) – Tiger Div 2: (Y5/6 Boys) - Team Y

Div 3: (Y 7/8/9 Boys) – Zeus Div 4: Secondary Girls - Ice

Div 5: High School Boys – Barcelona

Thanks to Ms Leila and Mr Damian for organizing such a wonderful Sports Day. It was great to see such friendly competition and rivalry along with support from parents. Congratulations Team Gold!

Anne Matley (Ms)



Plant-based snacks after the Green Monday presentation

**Message from the Deputy Principal
After school pick-up**

I would like to thank those parents and drivers who continue to follow our pick up rules and display students' names on windscreen. Cars need to move to the edge of the pickup area. This is not a stopping zone. This speeds up the process as the teacher on duty can read the name. A reminder also that between 3.30pm and 4.30pm the street is one way and only a right turn is permitted on exit. Your support in following this routine is greatly appreciated and ensures everyone is safe during this very busy time of the day.

Use of facilities after school

Just a reminder that students are not permitted to be using the playground equipment, football field or basketball courts afterschool. Students being picked up by private transport must remain seated at the front of the school building where there are members of staff on duty.

Sports Day

On Friday 17 March we held our annual Sports Day for students in Years 1 to GAC. Congratulations to all students who participated and tried their best in the events. It was great to see so many students and staff getting into the school spirit wearing their team colours. The scores were very close at the end of the hard fought competition, just 40 points between the Red and Gold teams. In the end the Gold team was victorious on 1330 points. Congratulations!

Chelsea Donaldson
Deputy Principal

Message from SVIS Principal

Dear Parents,

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 through the topics of subjects: Literature, Math, History, Civics, Art, which are held by DOET.

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.

Our integrated students took part in the Academic Achievers Competitions at many levels:



Confident communicators!



Great teamwork on Sports Day



Student love preparing for Assembly



Wonderful participation in the Football Comp

Thirteen Y5 integrated students took part in the Online English Contest at the city level on 4 March. Two Y5 integrated students passed round 15 for the Online Math Contest. These students were selected to take part in the city level contest on 15 March.

Nine students (Primary and Secondary) took part in the Swimming Contest at the district level on 18 March and won many first places.

For the month of April:

Students who won in the district and city level contests will continue in the city and national competitions.

Some Y5 integrated students will take part in the Olympic Math and Vietnamese Competitions in the Primary Students Festival at the city level.

Y4 integrated students will participate in Maths Vietnamese Competition which will be held by DOET.

Y8 integrated students will compete with the students in district area for the English Contest on 8 April at Nguyen Duy Trinh Primary School.

Students are practicing for the Semester 2 Examination. Please see the **Semester 2 Examination Schedule** as below:

- Y9 integrated: From 18/4 to 21/4
- Y6,7,8 integrated: From 8/5 to 12/5
- Y1,2,3,4,5 integrated: From 15/5 to 19/5

We hope all students can be confident and achieve the best results!

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

Sincerely,

Vu Thi Lan

Message from Head of Study

We are now in the final few weeks before the IGCSEs begin. There are two early exams for the ICT practical on 4th April and 6th April. Parents of IG2 please note that 6th April is a public holiday. Students are required to be here for their exam and will not be given a grade for their IGCSE ICT if they do not attend. Good luck to the IG2 students in their final preparation.



Chefs in the making!



Outdoor activities are an effective way to learn

Message from Head of Kindergarten

Kindergarten classes had a good chance to discover, learn and experience through the themes focused on “Animals”, “Insects”, “Dinosaurs”, ‘Transportation’ and “Money”. It was great to see the students all enthusiastically participating in the classes, which enhance their SOSE and Science competence as well as English skills.

In K2, interaction, communication and good relationships were built and developed. Everyone was making a good effort in their learning in order to be academic achievers and confident communicators. The children greatly enjoyed the shopping play with pretend food, toys, books, clothes and money when they could act out and role-play as shop assistants and customers to buy and sell things.

Shopping play is a great way to promote mathematical understanding.

In K1 and Nursery, the children’s gross motor skills have been developed well through indoor and outdoor activities. Finding insects in the garden was a really interesting and joyful activity for our children. They found and observed some insects such as grasshoppers, ants, butterflies and bugs. The children were fond of playing the shopping game. They learnt how to use money as well as how to buy and sell things.

Now that our garden has started producing vegetables and there is not so much work for our students to do, we have decided to start doing science projects once a week for Prep classes. This month’s experiments were about mixing colours and melting ice with salt. It was a little messy, but a lot of fun and helped our students learn about empty, full and half-full.

Vo Thi Thuy Ngan



Kindergarten toys model good napping



Sports Day was so much fun



Students love playing on the outdoor equipment