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Coming events

OBV: IG2 – 2 – 6 Dec

Sem 1 exams from 9th – 18th Dec

Christmas Charity Fair: 7th Dec 9 – 11am

Christmas break starts Fri 20th Dec

STEM/Health Weeks start 6th Jan

Sem 1 ends: 17th January



Message from Principal

Dear Parents

What a wonderful Teachers' Day it was! Thank you again for the appreciation shown to our staff. Thanks to all parents who came to school. For those who were unable to make it, please check out our school website for the photos and videos of the concert.

I would like to welcome new temporary **members of staff:** Ms Tong Thi Hai Luyen, Assistant in K1 and Ms Nguyen Thi Huong, Assistant in K2B, while the Kindergarten teachers are on maternity leave.

Over this month we have focused on the **Virtues of Cooperation, Responsibility and Diligence** and the **Schoolwide Learner Goal, *Being an Active and Responsible Citizen***. Classes have presented these very well at assembly through songs, roleplays and visuals demonstrating that they are very confident communicators.

I hope you can attend our **Christmas Charity Fair** on the morning of Saturday 7th Dec. This year, the charity to be supported will be **Caritas**. This organisation supports services in human development, including education and life skills for young people, supporting people with disabilities and running a scholarship programme for poor students.

Here is the link for more info <https://www.caritas.org/where-caritas-work/asia/vietnam/>

This year, the Christmas Charity Fair will be bigger and better than ever with a wide variety of food and drinks, performances, activities and games with great prizes and *Bye Bye Plastic Bags* will be selling items they have made. Of course, Santa Claus will be there so you can get your Christmas photos!

Thanks to those who have already donated prizes for the raffle. We would be delighted to receive any donations of saleable goods – new goods can be sold on the Shoppee stall and there will be 2nd hand books for sale as well. Flyers will be distributed this week with more information about the activities and we will let you know when the coupons go on sale at the office.

Principal
Anne Matley

Message from Deputy Principal (Secondary)

Dear parent,

Christmas Charity Fair:

The Christmas Charity Fair is a fundraising event for charity in which the school community is involved. It is lots of fun for all ages. The money raised at the Charity Fair will go to the charity Caritas, Vietnam. On the day of the fair, money is not exchanged, instead we sell coupons valued at 10,000VND each.

The fair will take place at the school on Saturday, 7 December from 9.00 AM – 11.00 AM.

We would like all donations to be brought into the office no later than Friday, 6 December. If you wish to run a stall, please let the office staff know. We look forward to having as many of you as possible participating in the Christmas spirit on 7 December.

**Examinations:**

Please be aware that semester one exams will start on Monday the 9th of December and will end on Wednesday the 18th of December.

Please see below for the exam dates.

English Paper 1	9, 10, 11 of December 2019
English Paper 2	12 December 2019
English Paper 3	13 December 2019
Mathematics (International only)	16 December 2019
Science (International only)	17 December 2019
English Paper 4	18 December 2019

Thanks,
Daan Ebbers
Deputy Principal

Message from Deputy Principal (Primary)

It has been a strange start to November with hot days, cold days and rainy days. Thank you to all the parents who have labelled school jackets, hats and water bottles as it makes it easier for these to be returned to students if they are lost.

The change in weather has also seen some students missing school because they are sick; we appreciate all the parents in Primary who contact the classroom teacher via Class Dojo and parents in Secondary for calling the office to let us know if your child can not come to school. If you can continue to inform the school before 8:30am of any absences that would be greatly appreciated.

Regards,
Brad McCarthy
Deputy Principal



Message from SVIS Principal

Dear Parents

Teaching and learning activities in November focused on the theme of "Celebrating 37 years of Vietnamese Teachers Day on 20/11". On this occasion, the school is very honored to receive fresh flowers from the local leadership and parents. The school would like to thank you for all your good wishes for the teachers.

Results of activities:

- Most of the students in the classes have practiced and presented many meaningful performances to their teachers on Teacher and Halloween days. All of the work from students leave a lasting impression for the teachers.
- Year 9 took part in STEM competition at District level on the theme "Emerging Garden" and won the third prize in District Level.
- To strengthen the learning experiences of students, teachers will open free tutorial classes for students who need more practice from 4.00 PM to 5.00 PM and help them to review their knowledge before taking Semester 1 examinations.
- STEM topics in November included making useful products with recycled materials such as: "My bookshelf"; "My lovely pen"; "Dream house". This helps students enhance their awareness of environmental protection.

The coming events in December 2019:

- Reviewing and taking Semester 1 examination, as schedule below:
- From December 16 to December 20: Students from Year 1 to 8 (take exams in all subjects)
- From December 18 to December 21: Students in Year 9 will take examination on the general subjects of the Department of Education and Training.

We hope that you will support your child at home to revise and prepare for the upcoming Semester 1 examinations.

Thanks and regards

Vu Thi Lan
Principal of SVIS

Message from Head of Studies (Secondary)

Dear Parents

Term two is continuing well and students and teachers are getting ready for the Semester 1 exams which are from 9th-18 December. Our IG2 students will also be taking their mock exams in January to prepare them for their internationally recognized exams in May and June 2020. We wish all of our students the best of luck!

Regards,
Harriet Casswell
Head of Studies



Dear Parents

We would like to say many thanks to all parents for your beautiful flowers, cards and gifts on Teachers' Day.

During this month, the Kindergarten learned about their community through the themes "Safety Rules", "Community Helpers" and "Means of Transportation". Lots of learning opportunities were conducted inside and outside the classroom and the children had a chance to role-play as different community helpers and what job they would do in this role. The students also learnt how to identify problems and to communicate their ideas and feelings about potentially dangerous situations when participating in the safety activities.

Next week will be STEM week in KIK and we will focus on "building things that can move" to align with the recent Transportation theme.

Regards,
Vo Thi Thuy Ngan
Head of Kinder



**CHRISTMAS
CHARITY**
fair

SUPPORTING
CARITAS VIETNAM

7th of DECEMBER from 9.00 - 11.00

FUN EVENT WITH GAMES, RAFFLES, CRAFTS AND LOTS OF FOOD
COME DRESSED IN CHRISTMAS THEME
HAVE YOUR PHOTO TAKEN WITH SANTA