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Coming events

6A and 6L Outward Bound - April 3 to April 7 Term 3 Holiday (No school) - April 10 to 14. IGCSE2 Final Examinations - begin April 18 AS Levels Examinations - begin April 26 A Levels Examinations - begin May 4

Message from Principal

Dear parents,

I wanted to say a big thank you for joining us for our annual Family Fun Day on Saturday the 18th of March. More than 200 people attended and it was excellent welcoming all of our parents and students to our campus for the fun games and food. It was wonderful to see students and parents participating in friendly competitions and for me to have the chance to talk to many parents. Our students enjoyed lots of fun activities like face-painting, crafts, water play, basketball and flying kites. We look forward to welcoming you again to more events in the future.

Thank you, Bradman McCarthy













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Message from SVIS Deputy Principals

Dear Parents,

In March Integrated students completed their mid-Semester 2 exam. The students put in great effort. Progress reports will be sent home after teachers finish marking and reviewing exams with students. Also, our students had the opportunity to participate in competitions held by the Education Department:

3 Year 8 students took part in an English competition in District level on 11 March 2023

14 Primary and Secondary students took part in Vioedu Maths competition in District level on 22 March 2023

16 Primary and Secondary students took part in Kangaroo Maths competition in District level on 26 March 2023

Congratulations to 2 Year 8 students who won prizes in the English competition in District level.

Tran Gia Han - Second prize

Phan Anh Y Nhi - Consolation prize

At the end of March, Year 7 Integrated students had an amazing experience in OBV life skill course at Binh Dinh province.

Thanks and best regards,

Ho Thi Thuy Van/Huynh Pham Diem Hang

SVIS Deputy Principals











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Message from Deputy Principal (Secondary)

The start of spring brings with it great weather that invites our students off campus to enjoy all the experiential learning opportunities that our vibrant community has to offer. This Term our students have had the opportunity to enjoy learning at the Cham Museum, Thanh Ha Terracotta Park, beach cleanups, lantern making, the Hoi An Silk Village, and more. Students and parents can expect learning excursions to continue into Term 4.

Leaving the school environment helps students gain real-world experience that cannot be taught in the classroom. This opens their minds to different cultures and strengthens their knowledge of the world around them. Excursions allow students to take a hands-on approach to a topic and gives them an entirely new appreciation of the concept when they return to school.

Please remember that students should wear their school uniform and proper shoes on their excursion days. We appreciate your support with this and our excursion program.

Stephanie Shepperd

Deputy Principal















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Message from Deputy Principal (Primary)

Over the past two years, SIS (Singapore International School) Da Nang decided that becoming more involved and visible in the community should be a top goal. We have built close connections with a local orphanage called "Hoa Mai orphanage". Hoa Mai orphanage is a short distance from the school and takes care of children aged between 4 and 17 years old. So far, the school has helped with clothes and school supplies that were donated from students, parents, and teachers.

This month, we started the "Bikes, books and Shoes" campaign. The goal of the campaign was to gather as many bikes, books, and shoes as possible to donate to Hoa Mai orphanage. We were astounded and grateful to receive such overwhelming support from parents and students, and we finished with over 500 books, 100 pairs of shoes and 4 bicycles.

We intend to run similar campaigns in the future, and thus rely on the participation of the complete school community to carry on what has been started.

Niall Elliot Reed (Mr)

Deputy Principal







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Message from Head of Studies for high school

Dear parents,

The mock exams have been completed for IGCSE 2, AS, and A-level. Our next focus will be on the final Cambridge examinations, which will start after our April holiday.

IGCSE 2 Schedule April:

Subject	Syllabus	Day	Date	Component
Information and Communication Technology	0417	Tuesday	18 April	Practical Test 22
English as a Second Language (Speaking Endorsement)	0510	Wednesday	19 April	Speaking 52
Information and Communication Technology	0417	Thursday	20 April	Practical Test 32

IGCSE 2 Schedule May:

Co-ordinated Sciences (Double Award)	0654	Tuesday	2 May	Extended Theory 42
Mathematics (Without Coursework)	0580	Tuesday	2 May	Paper 22 (Extended)
First Language English	0500	Wednesday	3 May	Reading 12
English as a Second Language (Speaking Endorsement)	0510	Wednesday	3 May	Reading and Writing (Extended) 22
Mathematics (Without Coursework)	0580	Thursday	4 May	Paper 42 (Extended)
First Language English	0500	Friday	5 May	Directed Writing & Comp 22
English as a Second Language (Speaking Endorsement)	0510	Friday	5 May	Listening (Extended) 42
Co-ordinated Sciences (Double Award)	0654	Tuesday	9 May	Practical Test 52 - Session 1
				Practical Test 52 - Session 2
Global Perspectives	0457	Friday	12 May	Written Paper 12
Information and Communication Technology	0417	Friday	12 May	Theory 12
Business Studies	0450	Monday	,	Short Answer/Data Response 12
Business Studies	0450	Monday	22 May	Case Study 22

IGCSE 2 Schedule June:

Co-ordinated	Sciences	(Double 0654	Tuesday	6 June	Multiple Choice Extended
Award)					22

AS/A level schedule April:

Subject	Syllabus	Day	Date	Component
AS English Language	9093	Wednesday	26 Apr	Reading Paper 12
AS English Language	9093	Friday	28 Apr	Writing Paper 22



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AS/A level schedule May:

Subject	Syllabus	Day	Date	Component
AS Mathematics	9709	Wednesday	3 May	Pure Mathematics 1 (12)
A Chemistry	9701	Thursday	4 May	A Level Structured Questions 42
AS Economics	9708	Friday	5 May	AS Level Data Response and Essays 22
A Mathematics	9709	Friday	5 May	Mechanics (42)
AS Sociology	9699	Monday	8 May	Socialisation 12
A English Language	9093	Monday	8 May	Language Analysis Paper 32
A Business	9609	Tuesday	9 May	Business Decision-Making Paper 32
AS Computer Science	9618	Tuesday	9 May	Theory Fundamentals 12
AS Biology	9700	Wednesday	10 May	AS Level Structured Questions 22
AS Mathematics	9709	Wednesday	10 May	Probability & Statistics 1 (52)
A Business	9609	Thursday	11 May	Business Strategy Paper 42
AS Sociology	9699	Thursday	11 May	The Family 22
AS Chemistry	9701	Thursday	11 May	AS Level Structured Questions 22
A Chemistry	9701	Thursday	11 May	Planning, Analysis and Evaluation 52
A Mathematics	9709	Friday	12 May	Pure Mathematics 3 (32)
A English Language	9093	Tuesday	16 May	Language Topics Paper 42
AS Computer Science	9618	Friday	19 May	Problem Solving & Programming 22
A Computer Science	9618	Monday	22 May	Advanced Theory 32
A Computer Science - Practical	9618	Wednesday	24 May	Practical 42
AS Chemistry - Practical	9701	Tuesday	30 May	Advanced Practical Skills 34

AS/A level schedule June:

AS Biology - Practical	9700	Thursday	1 June	Advanced Practical Skills 34
AS Economics	9708	Monday	5 June	AS Level Multiple Choice 12
AS Chemistry	9701	Wednesday	7 June	Multiple Choice 12
AS Biology	9700	Thursday	8 June	Multiple Choice 12

The full schedule, with times, has been sent by email and is available in the classrooms. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at nils.harteveld@danang.sis.edu.vn

Regards,

Nils Harteveldt

Head of Studies - Secondary/High School



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Message from Head of Studies for Primary

Preparations are well under way for the SIS End of Year Concert. It is one of our most important events on the SIS calendar, and it will be the first concert SIS Da Nang has held since the 2018-2019 academic year. The theme for the concert this year is "Movies". Each class has chosen a well known movie, and they will perform a song, dance, or act from the movie. Every student will have the chance to shine on stage during their class performance and we are excited to deliver a fantastic show! More details will be sent out to parents about the End of Year Concert in the next few weeks.

Caroline Greatwood (Ms)

Primary Head of Studies







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Message from Head of Integrated Kindergarten

The Kindergarten has been learning all about "Plants". We have covered a variety of interesting topics such as "How do seeds become plants", "parts of a plant", "roles of plants in our life", "fruits and vegetables", "flowers" and "trees and forest".

We learned about the different species of plants and what those plants need to help them grow, what plants give us and how to take care of the plants.

Classes started their gardening projects both inside their rooms and in the school's organic garden. Everyone grew their own seeds and looked after the plants.

The students enjoyed being outdoors. They were excited to wear their gardening boots, use the tools, check the garden to see how their plants were growing. While fresh air works wonders for them, gardening offers so many fun and interesting educational opportunities which benefit the children and teach them invaluable lessons about responsibility, patience, love of nature and healthy eating habits. It's a well-known fact that if you engage children in growing their own vegetables, they gain a keen interest in eating them too.

VO THI THUY NGAN (Ms)

Head of Integrated Kindergarten







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Message from Guidance Officer

SIS @ Da Nang's Fourth Annual Anti-Bullying Week was a great success! The theme was Reach Out. Students participated in activities to stop bullying and grow kindness around them. The Student Council helped to organize the special week. They hosted the One Kind Word Booth at recess each day for students and staff to send kind messages. There were hundreds of kind messages sent!

Each day had a different focus,

- Monday encouraged students to be proud of who they are, and made friendship bracelets or affirmation stars
- Tuesday, students learned a new way to communicate and reach out to others by using sign language
- Wacky Wednesday celebrated everyone's individuality with primary students' crazy hair and secondary students thinking creatively to bring 'anything-but-a-backpack.' This also encourages us to reach out and help, even when it's not easy
- Thursday was all about making a kind hand to add to the kindness tree-so many kind messages grew and grew
- Friday was White to Unite! We wore white to show that the SIS @ Da Nang community is united against bullying!

Students also learned about what bullying is, what to do if it happens and ways to stop it and as always, I am here to help! If anyone has a concern about bullying, they can contact me, and I will follow up with them.

- Email: christina.williams@danang.sis.edu.vn
- MS Teams: @Christina Nicole Williams
- Guidance Office: Block A, second floor, next to the nurse
- Written request: Put a note (just include name and class) in the Listening Box in the Main Office

-Ms. Chris

Guidance Officer and Teacher



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