



SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ DA NANG

NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2022

Coming events

CCF - Saturday 10/12 from 1 pm to 4pm

SIS Exams - 8/12 to 16/12

SVIS Exams - 6/12 to 17/12

KIK Christmas Concert - 16/12

Christmas Break - 17/12

Message from Principal

What an exciting month November was!

We had a very successful visit from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), students completed the International Primary School Leaving Examination (IPSLE), primary students competed at a football tournament, and we celebrated Teacher's Day.

On behalf of all of our teaching staff, I would like to say a big thank you to our amazing students and parents. All of our teachers felt appreciated, and we are thankful to have the support of our amazing SIS@Danang community. I would like to also thank Ms Thuy Van and Ms Hang for arranging a number of excellent performances during our Teacher's Day assembly.

As we move into December, I would like to wish our students the best of luck on their semester examinations, and I hope all of our families enjoy a restful Christmas holiday beginning on the 17th of December.

Bradman McCarthy

Principal





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Message from SVIS Deputy Principals

Dear Parents,

In November, students showed great commitment and achieved excellent results in a swimming competition held by the Education Office of Ngu Hanh Son district.

Congratulations to the following students:

- Duong Tan Minh Phuc (8L) : 2 first prizes
- Le Quang Minh (5A): 2 first prizes
- Le Thao My (8L) : 2 second prizes
- Phan Manh Duc (6A): 1 first prize
- Vu Tuyen Hoang (5L): 1 second prize, 1 third prize
- Nguyen Thai Bao (8A): 1 first prize, 1 second prize

Besides high achievement in sports competitions, students also showed their passion in scientific research. With great enthusiasm to learn, research and investigate, two students Trinh Gia Huy 9A and Luu Phuong Thao Nguyen 9A took part in Science Technology competition held by Education Office of Ngu Hanh Son district and won third prize with their project "Scented candles from soy wax and lemongrass oil".

Congratulations on the students and thank you to teachers who instructed and supported students in the competitions.



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On this occasion, we are very happy and proud to receive a certificate from Chairman of People's Committee of Ngu Hanh Son district as "Singapore Vietnamese International School has made good achievements in the emulation movement of the district's education and training sector in school year 2021-2022". This is the result of the continuous efforts of all teachers and students along with the great companionship and support from parents.

In December, students will review and prepare for Semester 1 exams which will happen from 6 December 2022 to 17 December 2022. Year 9 and Year 12 students will sit the exam set by DOET. I hope students are well-prepared and get the best results at the exams.

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 SIS at Da Nang Christmas Charity Fair is coming soon. We hope you will join us on Saturday, December 10th from 13:00-16:00. This fun-filled event for families, friends, and students is a great way to get into the holiday spirit and kick off the Christmas season. We have planned a variety of activity stalls focused on great fun for the whole family, festive food and drink to tease your Christmas appetite, and an incredible charity raffle with over \$1000 worth of amazing prizes to win! We will even have a visit from the star of the season himself – Santa! Remember to arrive early because with Santa's busy schedule he will only be greeting Christmas Charity Fair guests for the first hour.

Amidst the fun and excitement of the Christmas Charity Fair, we are reminded to remember the importance of giving back during this season. All proceeds from this exciting event will benefit Caritas of Vietnam. The funds will help them to support their mission of working to end poverty and promote justice in Vietnam and around the globe. We look forward to enjoying the great fun while also supporting our community.

Stephanie Shepperd

Deputy Principal





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Message from Deputy Principal (Primary)

In November our school will take part in the Central Vietnam International Schools (CVIS) Network Primary Football Tournament. We will have five teams in the tournament.

2 under 11 boys teams

1 under 11 girls team

2 under 9 mixed teams

The teams have been training during lunchtime in preparation for the tournament. We wish them all the best and good luck!

Niall Elliot Reed (Mr)

Deputy Principal



Message from Head of Studies for high school

Dear Parents,

I would like to use this newsletter as an opportunity to share Cambridge dates and times with you. First of all, IGCSE 1 will write their semester 1 examinations in the week of Monday 12th December to Friday 16th of December. The schedule was sent home with the parental update in November.

IGCSE 2, AS and A-level will write their mock examinations from March 6th to March 17th. During the mock exam week, students will write all their components that they will also write during the Cambridge examinations in May and June.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Nils Harteveltdt

Head of Studies - Secondary/High School



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Message from Head of Studies for Primary

SIS Exams

Preparations for SIS semester 1 exams are well underway at school. These exams will be held from 8th to 16th December 2022. Teachers and students have been working diligently to review all content that has been covered thus far in the semester, to prepare the students for the exams. All information pertaining to exams can be found in the Table of Specifications that teachers have sent to parents on ClassDojo or MS Teams. It is very important that students receive support at home from parents during this time. Please ensure that your child is eating healthy meals and getting enough sleep at night.

Caroline Greatwood (Ms)

Primary Head of Studies



Message from Head of Integrated Kindergarten

In November all of KIK have started preparing for our Rock N Roll Christmas Concert. This will be held on Friday, December 16th. All of the students will be performing Christmas songs with their classmates. They will be singing, dancing, and rocking out! They have also started preparing decorations for the event. Making wreathes to hang, a giant gingerbread house, snowman art, guitars, glasses and many other wonderful crafts to display for the parents to see.

Class has been working towards the performances and is very excited to do their songs and dances to their parents.

There will be an invitation sent home in the next week or two.

VO THI THUY NGAN (Ms)

Head of Integrated Kindergarten.



Message from Guidance Officer

This busy time of year brings a number of tests, and it's important for students to understand how to study effectively so their grades reflect their abilities. Here are just a few study tips I offer students:

- Make a schedule and set weekly goals. Breaking down each day into manageable goals can really help make big targets less scary. Scheduling in tasks for each day also helps to stop procrastination.
- Listening to music is not necessarily a bad thing. Studies have shown that listening to upbeat, instrumental songs can increase brain function.
- Get enough rest and take study breaks. To keep motivated, it could help to set a timer for breaks and plan the breaks ahead to be rewarding.

If students would like help making individualized study plans or want to talk about different strategies, I'm here to help!

Chris Williams (Ms.)

Guidance Officer and Teacher

