



## 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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### Thank You

To all of our parents, we would like to say thank you for your support and encouragement of students in the period leading up to the school exams. The students were generally very hard working and focused well on their tasks.

In the English exams the students must pay close attention to what is being asked in the question and must answer accurately in their second language. I congratulate them on their hard work.

### International Day

At the end of Term 3 we have great plans for a very exciting International Day. Class teachers have chosen a country to learn and research. It would be wonderful if parents could also share from their knowledge and experience. If you have any items we could display, any books, songs, flags or photographs from the following countries USA, Mexico, Korea, China, Germany, Brazil, Russia, New Zealand, Singapore, Taiwan, Greece, Australia and of course Vietnam, we would love to hear from you. Our class teachers will give you more information to how you can be actively involved in your child's class nearer the time.

### Student Council Christmas Sales

In December the Student Council sold a wide variety of Christmas items to students and staff at the school during the lunch breaks. It was such a huge success that everything sold out in 15 minutes on the first day. So, the Student Council ran a second and third Christmas sale selling out both times. In all, 2,300,000 VND profit for charity was raised for Operation Smile. We, in the Student Council, would like to thank all the staff, students and parents for their support and assistance in raising such a generous amount for charity. Fundraising has now reached 13,000,000VND.



Student Council Christmas Sales



Cooperation



Discovering music together



Sports fun with Mr Mike

Here is some Student Council feedback:

"It was very popular and we should do this again next year."

Eric Y4I

"It was great raising money for charity this way." Ngoc Thach, Y4B

"It was nice to be a part of helping a charity this way." Jill, Y4B

"This was a big success and hope for many more activities like this." Hoang Tu, Y5C.

### **Music**

Music is my passion, and that of many of our students here at Van Phuc. There is not a day in the music room in which I am not amazed and humbled by the effortless talent of our students.

After years of teaching English and home room subjects, I found in music many of the skills I believe to be of importance in the development of a young person.

Teamwork and a higher level of cooperation, yet a tool for individual expression; strict rules and discipline, but also unlimited creative freedom and fun games; the exploration of languages and cultures from the present and past, and from every country, while shaping the sounds of the future; the endless pursuit of beauty, perfection and self-improvement, or simply relaxing and enjoying our favorite song.

Mark Rodgers  
Music Teacher

### **ASA's**

The children have really enjoyed the various after school clubs offered by SIS. As the Physical Education teacher I have seen them really enjoying a variety of sports. They have had a great deal of fun and improved their skills in badminton, basketball, football, and even ultimate frisbee. I also had a chance to see some of the non-sport related clubs such as cooking and music. I was impressed to see how much the students have enjoyed all of these activities.

Mr. Mike  
HPE Teacher

### **Term 3 Clubs**

The new ASA offerings for Term 3 will be available in the last week of this term. Students should register at the office for their club.





Year 5 achievements in the English Olympics  
2015



Chung cake that we made



Students learning how to make chung cake

## English Olympics

Following the success of last year's Year 5 students, Dang Nga Mi, Hoang Anh Chi, Nguyen Truong Phuc and Nguyen Tu Anh, the school is preparing a group of students for English Olympics 2016. This is a competition for Year 5 students. The students are assessed on their knowledge of English language skills. SVIS has invited 13 students to undertake a training programme for the 2016 Olympics. Training takes place each Monday afternoon after school. Following this preparation, a team of knowledgeable and confident students will be selected.

Mr. Nigel

## Examinations

All our students approached exams with a very positive attitude. Teachers were encouraged by this and overall the atmosphere in school has been conducive to study.

During the second week after TET we will be having our parent conferences where the exam results will be discussed with the parents and they will be provided with a report. Teachers will contact parents to arrange a time to meet and we will have one evening of meetings to accommodate parents who work until later. Thank you for all your support.

Ms. Shirley  
Head of Studies

## Academic Awards

Please be aware that there will only be one award at the end of the school year for the Academic Champion of each class. They will receive a trophy at the annual school concert. At a school level all students who exceed an average of 85% or above will be awarded an Honour Roll certificate.

## Tet

The children are getting excited about the coming of Tet. All of the Integrated classes have been busy making Banh chung cakes to take home. Our Tet trees are set up and children are singing 'Tet Tet Tet den roi' on assembly. We wish you all a very happy time with your families and send greetings for a new year filled with health, wealth and happiness.

"Nam moi toan gia binh an"