SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ VAN PHUC

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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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Book donation delivery to Cao Ram Primary school, Hoa Binh Province

Parent Teacher Conferences March 2015.

Classroom teachers reported an excellent response with most parents happy to attend and happy to enter into conversations about their children's learning journey and the school's ongoing development. It was very encouraging to see so many parents attend the PTCs. Strong parental involvement translates as strong support for SIS children, the teachers and the School.

Feedback from parents who attended PTCs indicated a high degree of satisfaction with SIS programs and the progress of children at our school. Thank you to all the parents who attended PTCs. Your support and interest are major assets that contribute significantly to the improvement of our School and the progress of all children.

Book Donation Delivery

On the morning of Friday 27 March, teachers, interns and four student council representatives packed up a school bus with boxes and boxes of books from the Student Council's Book Drive. We drove from 6 lane expressways to 4 lanes to two lanes to dirt, to puddles and a whole lot of mud before we finally arrived at Cao Ram Primary School. After a big stretch and a warm welcome we gathered for the formalities and snacks with our new friends. The school was not so much different than ours on the outside, but completely different on the inside. There were no books, pictures or supplies in any of the classrooms. The student council members felt a great sense of accomplishment in knowing that the books they had donated were going to be thoroughly enjoyed by many students for a long time to come. It will be wonderful if we could develop a closer relationship with Cao Ram Primary School and do more to help them out in the years to come. The SIS@Van Phuc student council has put a smile on many children's faces this year.

International Day 22nd April 7, 2015

We had a wonderfully successful International Day. There were many flags from the 16 countries chosen by teachers and students proudly displayed outside classrooms. As a build up to International

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Flags in International Days





Van Phuc's Got Talent

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Compound

Day, we invited a number of guest speakers to attend our Wednesday upper school assemblies. A few weeks ago we had Major David Temple from the US Air Force. On Wednesday 8 April we were pleased to welcome a Dutchman, Mr. Jacob Bloemberg from HIF and on Wednesday 15 April, Mr. Jake Valle a business manager from the Philippines. On the actual day of the event, we were delighted to welcome Louise Chamberlain, the Country Director for the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). Another special guest was the Egyptian ambassador Mr Youssef Hanna. During the festivities, the children 'travelled' to five different 'countries' and had their passport stamped and did small activities that shared some of the culture. They also acted as hosts to five other classes who visited their classroom/country.

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Van Phuc's Got Talent

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As the Student Council had gathered experience and confidence during the year they put on thier biggest show yet on Saturday 4 April in our school gymnasium. Van Phuc's Got Talent was our very own Broadway Show. There were 35 students who auditioned and we chose as many as we could fit into a two hour show. Students had a valuable experience performing on stage, student council gained valuable experience organizing an event of this magnitude, parents had invaluable entertainment and we raised 10,000,000 VND for a very worthy organization; The Tanzania Water Project. It was a terrific win-win situation for everyone involved. Student Council would like to extend a big thank you for all the help and support they received in making this event happen. Thank-you everyone!

Letter from Rev Raphael Love. Water project coordinator, Tanga. Tanzania

Dear Staff and students of Singapore International School. Words cannot express our gratitude; we are overwhelmed to see what the kids felt and did for our water project. We are so thankful to you and all who did anything towards this. I wish I could hug you all. May our good God in Heaven bless the kids, the teachers and the whole country of Vietnam. I believe this is the spirit of the entire nation of Vietnam to help those in need

Thank you so much.

Rev. Raphael Love. Coordinator of Tanga Water Project. Mikanjuni Elim Church. Tanga. Tanzania

English Olympics

SIS@Van Phuc would like to congratulate all four entrants for their exceptional performance in the first round of the English Olympics competition. Their marks put them in the top 166 students in Hanoi from the first round of 1068 scholars. This is an achievement to be very proud of.

They have now competed against the last 166 to demonstrate the skills that they have worked so hard to develop. All of our school community recognize and applaud your commitment to do your very best.

Congratulations – Hoang Anh Chi -5B, Nguyen Tu Anh -5B, Nguyen Truong Phuc -5C, Dang Nga Mi -5D.

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Sience Fair



Dr. Noel is guiding students in Science Fair



Van Phuc Tigers rallied in football with BVIS

Science Fair

All Year 3 classes participated in a Science Fair on Tuesday 14 April as part of their Social Studies program. The children were required to demonstrate new scientific knowledge and skills that they had developed over the last term.

The children had fun in class experimenting with the world of scientific endeavour and were required to make science experiments to display and demonstrate at the Fair. They also had to prepare invitations for the Fair and posters to advertise the special event as well as prepare themselves to act as science "advisers" during the Fair when guests visited their display.

The Year 3 students showed great confidence and excitement when demonstrating and discussing their scientific exploits and had fun talking to the large and interested crowd of family visitors and SIS students that attended the Fair.

Van Phuc Football

Van Phuc Tigers rallied in football with BVIS! Van Phuc hosted BVIS boys Years 1-3 and girls Years 4-5 on Tuesday 7 April at the Van Phuc home field on Van Bao Street. The 20 boys in the football club had a fantastic match! The scoreless first half gave way to a second half where the boys were trailing 2-1 toward the end. But in an exciting comeback, they found two good chances and pulled ahead to win 3-2. The girls' squad came together and deflected many attempts by BVIS, but in the end, Van Phuc tailed 2-0. The girls played with great enthusiasm and showed very good improvement. It was exciting and fun, as many parents came and cheered on their kids.

Year 4 Springs Into Spring Rolls

During the month of April, all Year 4 classes celebrated spring by participating in a culinary expedition to the Cooking Centre at Pegasus International UniCentre at VanPhuc. The chefs at Pegasus introduced the students to the makings of the traditional and delicious Vietnamese staple: Spring Rolls. Participation was essential, as each student learned how to chop and mix the ingredients and then to precisely fashion the delicate rolls in a beautiful manner. Once the Spring Rolls were cooked, the students enjoyed eating their "works of art". "That was the best part!" said Nguyen Chi Bach (4D).

Interns at Van Phuc

On 10 April, Vietnam Singapore School held the final session of Internship program. Internship program has been run at Van Phuc for many years. We have strong mentors and high quality curriculum to help interns improve their lesson creation and learning modern teaching methods.

The interns commented that the school was a dynamic, modern education environment. The students are very clever, confident and friendly. They hope they can apply what they have learnt to their careers in the future.

Vietnamese Exams

The students from Integrated classes will be completing their exams in the second and third weeks of Term 4.

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