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Wish you a happy lunar year and a year of health, wealth and prosperity

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.

Exams

Congratulations to our students for all their hard work leading up to exams in January. Many of our students have had wonderful results that reflect the hard work from teachers and families. Some of our newer students have also shown that they have the capacity to grow in understanding. Parents will receive the results before the break so they know how children have performed in the exams, but we are really looking forward to the opportunity to talk with parents when we return to school after Tet.

Parent – Teacher conferences will be held during the week of 2- 6 March. One evening will be set aside for parents who cannot make appointments in the afternoon. This is an important time for parents and teachers to share information about the child's learning and how they can improve and grow in their education. Parents will meet with both the Vietnamese and English teachers to talk about the progress of their child and receive the formal report card.

Interview times will be sent home 25-27 February for parents to indicate their most suitable times. Please make sure you take advantage of this important opportunity.

Academic Awards

At the end of the academic year there are special awards for students who excel in their studies. The Academic Champion for each class receives a trophy at the school concert held at the NCC. The award for this is based on the results of the two semester exams.

At school we will recognize other students who have demonstrated excellent achievement.

Another award is given to a Future Star. This award is given to the student who achieves the greatest percentage increase from Semester 1 to the Semester 2 results.

English Olympics

Congratulations to ten of our top Year 5 students who have been preparing for the English Olympic competition that is coming up in March. They have been working on their English skills in both written and oral formats after school. Thank you to Mr Nigel and Ms Shirley who have been working with them, and also to the teachers who are providing conversation opportunities. We wish them good luck and hope they do well.

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Students posed with Artist from Årgentina



Art activity of Artist from Argentina



We are off to a very good start (Book donation drive)

Football

Thanks to Mr. John Shoulders from Ciputra SIS who has kindly volunteered to bring his girls soccer team over to Van Phuc to play us in a friendly game before TET. Girls' soccer is a rising sport in international schools and is competitive, safe and great exercise. The match will follow on from a very entertaining game that we had with Ciputra last year. We will also host a boy's football match before TET.

International Day

On April 22nd (last day of term 3) we will be holding an International Day here in school. Each class has already adopted a country and classes will be transformed for the day into their host nation. Each student will be given a passport and will visit the other 'countries' to learn about their culture, history and geography. They will also be able to participate in an activity associated with that country, listen to music and sample food. We will be sending you more details soon. If you can support us by cooking, crafts or just supporting us on the day, we would love to hear from you.

Van Phuc's Got Talent

Following a hugely successful talent competition last year in which a lot of money was raised for a local charity, our student council will be organizing another spectacular event on 04 April . Meanwhile if your student has a particular talent for singing, dancing or playing an instrument, now is the time to start practicing. The student council will hold auditions after TET and everyone will be notified well in advance.

Visiting Artist from Argentina

Van Phuc was host to a visiting artist from Argentina who came and worked with some of our students. He is working on a project to bring art from the children in many countries around the world. Our children drew pictures of a new SuperHero and a self-portrait for him. Their work will be included on his website at http://pequeniosgrandesmundos.org/ as well as our school : website http://vanphuc.sis.edu.vn

Book Drive

The student council under the guidance of Mr. Rod in Year 4 International is currently organizing a Book Drive. We are asking families to donate any books that you may have at home and are not needed anymore. They can be Vietnamese or English and any genre. Our student council will then deliver these books to schools who cannot afford to buy them. Reading is essential to every child's academic growth therefore with your kind and generous support we can make a difference in the lives of others. Over 400 books have been donated.

Photos of Student Activities

You may be interested to see photos of your children involved in school activities. Please check out the photo galleries on our school website <u>http://vanphuc.sis.edu.vn</u>. There are pictures from the Moon Festival, Football visitors from Brazil, The Christmas Fair and Christmas Concert as well as some class excursions.

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