



## 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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### Celebrations in the Air

This is a wonderful time of year when families celebrate the role of teachers in shaping and developing children. Our classes enjoyed writing and drawing for their teachers on Teacher's Day.

We also have two other special celebrations approaching – Christmas and Tet. You have received an invitation to help celebrate Christmas and we have more details below, and I know the children are really looking forward to Tet with their families as well.

Our school exams will soon be here and we are providing exam information to parents at our Assessment information night.

### Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair this year on 5<sup>th</sup> of December will be a joint occasion with Ciputra, Hanoi Towers, The Manor, Van Phuc and Gamuda Gardens who will host the event and have an official opening of the new school. An e- invitation was emailed to all parents.

The funds raised from the Fair will again go to Operation Smile. Books of coupons can be purchased from school before the event or on the day at Gamuda.

There will be a huge selection of attractions from face art, football, fishing and food! Be sure to look for Santa with the white beard and his elves to hand out candies and pose for some memorable photographs!

### Assessment Information Night

Parents have received an invitation to visit the school on Thursday 3 December at 6.30pm to get further information regarding the English exams process and style. Another copy of the Table of Specifications will be provided which outlines the times, dates, length and question type for all exams.



Christmas Fair 2014



Yellow Team won the First Place on Sports Day

### **Sports Day**

This year's Sports day was everything that it was built up to be. Teachers and students (and even the management team) all dressed up for the occasion and students in the four teams of Yellow, Green, Blue and Red all gave 100%.

In the end it was another close win for the Yellow Team who have now won the title for three years running. If this was the world Cup, they would get to keep the trophy! Well done everyone on a splendid day of sports and team cooperation.

### **After School Activities**

We are all go for term two's ASA program and already we are receiving wonderful feedback from students who have signed up. Just to mention a few of the delights that our students are currently enjoying this term. We have Ms. Kym's Modern Art class which is fun, educational and students love making the beautiful creations that Ms. Kym has prepared. Ms. Emily is teaching 'Ultimate Frisbee' and as we all know, she is a Frisbee enthusiast so the students are already thrilled to be part of this activity. On a musical note, Mr. Mark will teach Ukulele class which is fun, interesting and will teach students something that they will never forget.



Students engaged in Chess club

### **Student Council**

Our student council members are busy this term as they seek to gather your support for their three chosen charities. The three that have been chosen are Operation Smile which supports children in receiving surgery to restore the cleft palate enabling children to eat, talk and of course SMILE. Already some of our SC members have visited Operation Smile children and handed out toys to them in hospital (Many smiles were shared).

The other two charities, Samaritans Purse and International Red Cross are both internationally respected relief and disaster organizations that are respected throughout the world.

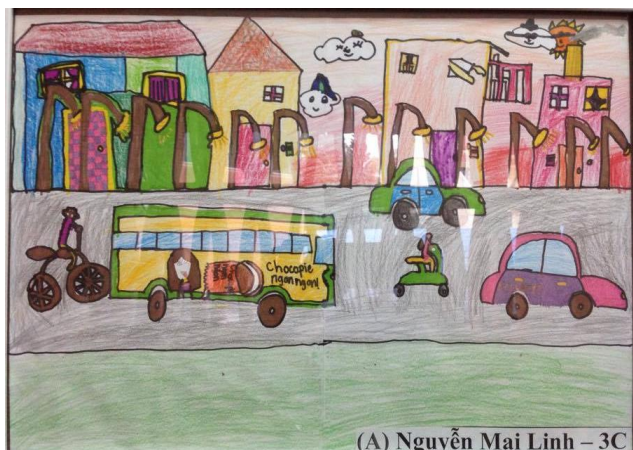
This term they are selling snacks at lunchtime to the students, and having a 'dress down' for a donation day.

Thank you for helping our SC team as they help bring relief, locally and further afield.

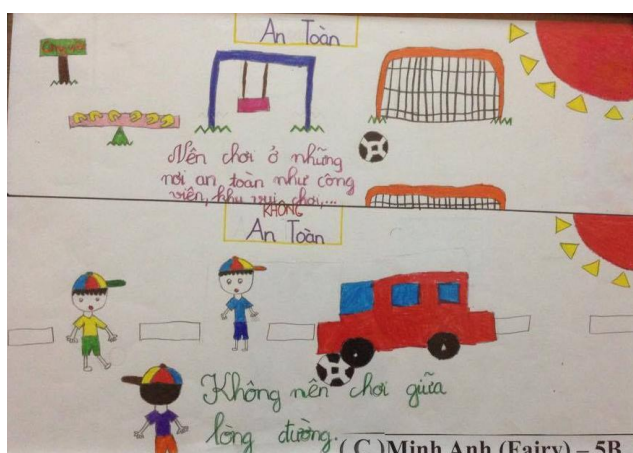


Student Council sells snacks for donation

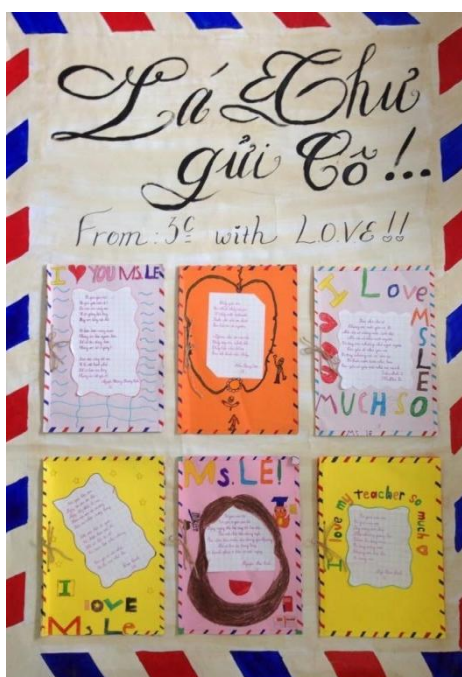




A work of Road Safety by Mai Linh 3C



A work of Road Safety by Minh Anh 5B



"Letter to My Teacher" poster by class 3C

## A Flourishing Year at SVIS

Recently in the Appreciation Ceremony for excellent schools and people in 2014-15, the Ba Dinh OOET recognised and awarded SVIS as an "Advanced Community". This award was presented to SVIS by the Ba Dinh Chairman of the People's Committee. The award recognised the work of our school throughout 2014-2015.

This included the following achievements in teaching and learning. Ms Pham Thi Huyen Trang was awarded the Third Prize in the "Local History" professional teaching competition held by Ba Dinh DOET.

Our Year 5 students achieved 2 second, 1 third and 1 runner up prize in the English Olympics. All four students entered gained an award.

Our students won the Runner-up prize in the Road Safety competition held by MOET.

A very successful year and we are aiming high to accomplish even more achievements in this school year.

## Teacher's Day Celebration

Teacher's Day, 20<sup>th</sup> November is a special occasion for students to express their respect and love to teachers, who care for and foster our young generations.

To celebrate Teacher's Day, in the Poster Competition, many classes created beautiful writing pieces.

"Letter to My Teacher" by class 3C won the First Prize, followed by class 5B who won the Second Prize with their poster under the theme "Flowers of Sunshine for my Teacher". Class 4B won the Third Prize as they created many lovely pieces of work. Though they are simple lovely poems and drawings, they make us feel their love and emotion. Please see the Vietnamese poem by Mai Linh, class 3C who won a Special Prize.

*"Tôi yêu cô giáo của tôi  
Ngày ngày đến lớp dạy tôi bao điều  
Từ nét chữ, đến dáng ngồi  
Ân cần, triu mến, dịu dàng, yêu thương  
Lời cô ấm áp trong lòng  
3C hạnh phúc bên cô mỗi ngày."*