



## 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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Fire Drill

### Coffee Date

On Friday 15 September we held our first parent meeting with about 30 parents in attendance. However we found our time together was quite short and parents needed more time to discuss issues and raise questions.

### Seatbelts in the school bus

Parents we are asking for your support and cooperation to ensure that students keep their seatbelts on in the school bus. You may be aware that there have been a number of bad accidents in many countries involving students in buses. We do not want this to happen to our students.

At the school, we have the cooperation of the bus drivers, bus monitors and we are continuing to work with the students and check daily.

### Fire Drill

This month we have had our first fire drill to practice the evacuation from the building. Children used both internal and the Fire escape stairs so all students could exit quickly. We managed to have all students and staff out of the building as soon as possible.

In the event of a real emergency, the students would be taken off the property to assemble in Pho Van Phuc near the Japanese Embassy. This means that children would not need to cross any streets and would be safely managed on the wide flat footpath.



Excellence Award for  
Highest Weekly Achiever



Teachers were on many  
student safety networks

### Students on Assembly

Each week a class presents and runs the student Assembly. They also perform a song, poem, act, or play about a Virtue. Some of our presentations this month have been on Patience, and Generosity. This gives student the opportunity to practice their Soft Skills in front of a larger audience. Please see on our website a recreation of original research about self-regulation and Patience. 4L students recreated an experiment by Walter Mischel from Stanford University to try to understand when and how children develop skills of self-regulation, and if it is an indicator of future success. His research goes on to explain ways we can teach self-regulation to children.

### Soft Skills

Another aspect of **self-confidence** is also currently being taught and that is to develop an understanding of **Self Protection**. Students discussed Good Touches (a friendly handshake or hug) and Bad Touches (a pinch or a hit) and what to do if they feel uncomfortable with someone. They were encouraged to write the names of 5 people they could trust to talk to in a picture of their hand. It was reinforced that each person is the BOSS OF THEIR BODY and they decide how they feel.

### Sports Day

The teaching staff and the Student Council are planning for the Sports Day which will take place on Friday October 13 (last day of Term1).

Children are encouraged to wear the colour of their Team (House) on this day. The teams will be Red Dragons, Blue Bears, Green Archers, Yellow Cheetahs.

### Good Health

As you know the government has been warning citizens regarding the outbreak of Dengue fever. Our school has been very careful to follow all the guidelines and regularly have Rent-o-kill spray all rooms and buildings. This is carried out late on Friday afternoons and into the evening to ensure the maximum effect and also to allow any smell to disperse before the children occupy the classrooms.

We are also monitoring all absences from school and checking with families for the reason, so we can ensure that parents are kept informed.

### Mid- Autumn Festival

This will be celebrated at school on the morning of 4 October. Children will watch the Lion Dance then take part in many fun activities. Classes will resume from period 3.

Prior to this the Integrated classes will make some fruit displays and some masks. The fruit displays will be gathered to make a joint arrangement in the school yard.