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Upcoming Important Dates:

2 November – Term 2 ASA Starts

4–5 November – DOET Exam
(Integrated students)

20 November – Teachers Day

9–16 December – Semester 1
Exams



Year 1C students made beautiful cards to give to their moms on Vietnamese Women's Day.

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Autumn is here and change is in the air – The leaves are beginning to turn, the days are slowly getting shorter and the weather is becoming cooler. With the changing of the seasons, there is a time for reflection on what was, and a time for looking forward to what will be.

The end of Term 1 saw the students take part in the first STEM day – this was a resounding success and it was wonderful opportunity for students to display and show-off to their peers the exciting STEM projects they had been working on. There was a real sense of accomplishment and pride in what was put on display. Students are eagerly looking forward to the next STEM day to show off their projects.

Looking forward, Term 2 is bustling with activity – We have just finished the KIK Parent Information Evening and the SIS Parent-Teacher Conferences. I would like to say a special thank you to the parents who were able to be present for these and for taking an active interest in the education of your child(ren) and for being partners with us in the journey of education, learning and growth here at SIS Van Phuc; Students celebrated Halloween last week, with some wonderful costumes on display and trick or treating fun for all; Week 3 will see the commencement of our After School Activities (ASAs), which students have been excitedly waiting for; We have our Christmas Concert and the Christmas Charity Fair to look forward to, although these will be in a modified format to take into account the restrictions put in place by the local authorities; Semester One Examinations will be taking place from the 9th-16th of December; and the term will be coming to an end on the 22nd of December, just in time for the Christmas break.

We wish you a wonderful month ahead and hope you can make the most of the milder weather before winter sets in. As always, should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact myself or our wonderful office team, and we'll be only too happy to assist.

Warmest Regards,
Mr. Paul Batchelor

Message from the Deputy Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Another month has come and gone, with our students learning and growing every day. I hope you will all enjoy learning about some of our exciting October activities.

Now that the weather is getting colder, I would like to remind our parents to please change to our winter school uniform. Winter uniforms are available for purchase in our school lobby. Also, please remember to label your child(ren)'s clothes and items – we don't want anything to get lost or misplaced.

We've had a great autumn and I want everyone to stay warm and healthy this winter!

Best regards,
Mr. Benjamin

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COVID-19 Measures at School

As per local government guidelines, I would like to remind parents that anyone entering our campus must have their temperature checked and is **required** to wear a facemask. **No mask, no entry.** As per the guidance of our local authorities, parents are not allowed on campus in the morning. However, parents are allowed to pick up their children in the afternoon, but must leave the campus promptly. Our playgrounds are closed after school and are not to be used at that time. We are grateful for your support as we work together to keep your children and all members of the SIS Van Phuc community safe.

Schoolwide Learner Goals:

One of our five most important Schoolwide Learner Goals is that of becoming **Confident Communicators**.

Our school seeks to nurture confident communicators who demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening. Our students are encouraged to use creative forms of expression and to work collaboratively with others.



The Year 3's took the Year 1's outdoors for paired reading. The classes thoroughly enjoyed listening to one another read and are becoming Confident Communicators!



Year 5 students showed gratitude on Vietnamese Women's Day

Vietnamese Women's Day

October 20th was Vietnamese Women's day. The boys from classes 5B and 5C all showed their sensitive side by giving gifts and red roses to the girls. We also played a fun guessing game as part of the festivities. I'm sure that all the boys will grow up to be charming gentlemen!

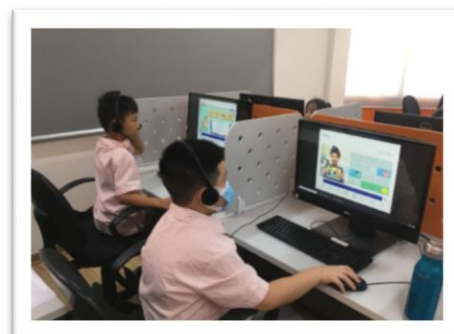
Birthday Parties

All of us love celebrating our students' birthdays!

As a reminder to parents, please remember the following:

- Birthday parties are to take place in the afternoon during recess, in the school canteen.
- Birthday cake is permitted, as well as pre-packaged snacks (i.e. crisps, candy, cookies, etc.).
- Cooked food from outside vendors is **not permitted** at these parties (i.e. fast food) due to food poisoning concerns. Food ordered from the Pegasus Bistro is permitted, as the school has a contract with them for food service.

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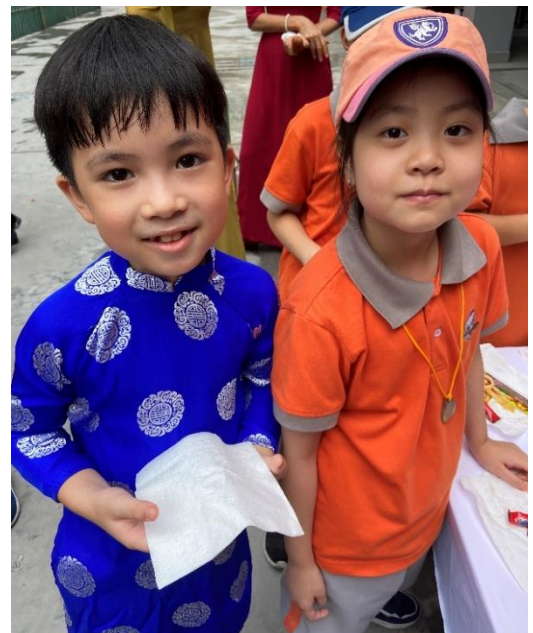
The Years 1's were very excited to watch a model volcano 'erupt' during STEM Day.



3C students enjoyed a Mid-Autumn Celebration



3B students solved "a crime" on STEM Day.



3L students got into the festivities for our Mid-Autumn Festival.

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Kinderworld International Kindergarten (KIK):

Time flies so quickly! Term 1 has passed and a new term has begun. Day by day, our children are growing up and becoming more mature.

The atmosphere of the Halloween Festival has filled the school, and staff and students have been excitedly preparing for this.

We would like to thank you our KIK parents for your attendance at our Parent Information Evening on Wednesday evening, the 21st of October.

We have a busy term ahead with lots of learning, fun and activities to look forward to. We look forward to your contributions and cooperation.



Bumble Bee Class

We had a lot of fun during the Mid-Autumn Festival



Bunny Class – Maths lesson

Building animal homes after studying about different animals.



Lion Class

The lovely artists in Lion class are preparing for Halloween 2020.

Parrot Class

This pom pom drop activity was exciting for the Pre-Nursery students. It helped our children to learn about the colours and develop their fine-motor skills by using tongs to get the pom poms and transfer to the tubes.