



**SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL VIETNAM  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

# NEWSLETTER

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## Message from Supervisory Principals

Greetings!

We hope you and your families enjoyed Christmas. As talented former SIS students, we believe you have done a wonderful job to achieve your goals as well as overcome your own challenges in the past year. Moving forward in 2014, we hope you enjoy a successful year and remember we are proud of your achievements while at SIS.

On behalf of Singapore International School Vietnam Alumni Association (SISVAA), may we wish you a Happy New Year and have a warm soon-to-come Lunar New Year's Eve! May the year be full of things that bring you more happiness in your life.

Jeanette Fuller and Peter Baker

**Supervisory Principals**

Happy New Year!

## Christmas Fair 2013



As an annual event our Christmas Fairs last year brought lots of excitement. Faces were brightened with smiles (and accessories!), tummies were full of delicious foods and everyone treated themselves with something. Joy spread all across SIS@Cau Giay and SIS@Saigon South.

Did you come back to share the fun with your peers in the recent Christmas Fair? Or were you sorry to have missed the dates? Check our emails regularly for invitation to these exciting events!

### Some upcoming events

#### **SIS @ Saigon South**

- **08 April:** Inter House Sports Carnival
- **25 June:** Swimming Carnival

#### **SIS @ Cau Giay**

- **19 April:** Night of the Arts
- **14 June:** Graduation Dinner
- **20 June:** Swimming Carnival



## Congratulations

In 2013, our students continued to demonstrate their academic excellence. We are proud to inform you that Ngo Nam Son and Pham Vu Phuong Chi from Singapore International School @ Cau Giay and Le Hong Nam from Singapore International School @ Saigon South have been acknowledged by Cambridge International Examinations in the Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards against students in over 40 countries.

Ngo Nam Son from SIS @ Cau Giay is the recipient of the 'Top in Vietnam' award for his outstanding performance in the Cambridge IGCSE Global Perspectives examination. Le Hong Nam from SIS @ Saigon South and Pham Vu Phuong Chi from SIS @ Cau Giay received the Cambridge 'High Achievement' award for obtaining the highest marks in Vietnam in the Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second Language subject and A Level Physics respectively.

This is the second year in a row that SIS @ Cau Giay has been awarded with the Top in Vietnam award for IGCSE Global Perspectives and the second year in a row that SIS @ Saigon South has been awarded with High Achievement for English as a Second Language.



**Pham Vu Phuong Chi**  
SIS @ Cau Giay  
'High Achievement' Award



**Ngo Nam Son**  
SIS @ Cau Giay  
'Top in Vietnam' Award



**Le Hong Nam**  
SIS @ Saigon South  
'High Achievement' Award

## Share your stories!

News will not be hot without being shared! Double the fun by making a contribution to the next edition.

### Share your story

Share your story, read what others are doing and join the conversation about creating positive change in the world! Email us with any updates on where you are studying or working and other information of interest.

### Support for new graduates

Do you have a Vietnamese student support group in your institution? If so please send their contact information to [alumni@sis.edu.vn](mailto:alumni@sis.edu.vn) so we can pass it on to our seniors who are looking at studying offshore.

### Further enquiries

**Singapore International School Vietnam Alumni Association**  
Email: [alumni@sis.edu.vn](mailto:alumni@sis.edu.vn)

## School Website Launch

We are very pleased to announce the official launch of the first school-specific website for SIS @ Saigon South which went live on Friday 08 November 2013. The site is easy to navigate, is accessible on hand-held devices as well as computers and provides parents and the general community with on-line access to information about the school. Please visit the SIS @ Saigon South website at <http://saigonsouth.sis.edu.vn/>

The SIS@SS site will be cloned and work will commence on customizing the content for each of the other SIS schools. Schools will be contacted to gather further information and update content.

## Donation to the Community

We would like to thank all KinderWorld families, students and staff who kindly made a donation to assist victims of Typhoon Haiyan in The Philippines and victims of the associated floods in Central Vietnam. All SIS and KIK campuses in Vietnam, together with KinderWorld Corporate staff raised an impressive amount of VND 293,526,000 VND. Of the total, 117,410,400 VND (40%) was donated to victims in Central Vietnam and the rest was donated to victims in The Philippines through the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center (NDRRMC).

Based on the advice of the Department of Education and Training (DOET) of Danang City and Quang Ngai Province, KinderWorld Education Group (KEG) decided to help 209 students from Year 1 to Year 9 in Son Nham Primary and Secondary School, Son Ha District, Quang Ngai Province and 100 students in Lam Quang Thu Primary School, Hoa Vang District, Danang City, whose families were severely affected by the typhoon and the associated flooding on 15 Nov 2013. The donation of 117,410,400 VND to Danang and Quang Ngai was converted into warm clothes for the coming winter as well as school bags, notebooks, and other educational items to encourage students to come back to school to study. KinderWorld representatives presented the items to OOET officers in Son Ha on 17 December and in Hoa Vang on 19 December 2013.

Without your support, this would not have been possible. Many thanks to all those who helped.

