

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ VAN PHUC NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Important Dates:

6 – 11 January - SVIS Exams

18 January - Semester 1 English report cards sent home

25 – 29 January - Parent-Teacher Conferences

8 – 19 February - Tet Holiday



Jolly old Santa Claus
spreading Christmas cheer

Message from the Principal

Happy New Year and a very warm welcome back to school for the start of Term 3 and Semester 2!

December was full of activity – Teachers and students were busy completing final assessments for the report cards; Students diligently prepared for and sat their mid-year examinations; Students displayed and shared their STEM projects as part of our Term 2 STEM day; Students shared the Christmas spirit with their outstanding performances in the Christmas Concert; and a merry time was had by all at the Christmas Charity Fair, raising money for CARITAS Vietnam.

Term 3 promises to be a busy one – in the next few weeks before the TET holiday, we have our Y4 and Y5 students undertaking their overnight OBV course at school; we have Semester 1 reports going home; Parent-Teacher conferences; and preparations are being made for our TET celebrations.

I hope that you and your families were all able to enjoy the break from school, and that you are returning refreshed and ready for the exciting semester ahead.

Warm wishes,
Mr. Paul

Message from the Deputy Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I would like to warmly welcome back all the members of our SIS@Van Phuc family.

As we all look ahead to an active and exciting Term 3, this month's newsletter allows us to look back fondly at December's events and festivities. Our students showed off their talents with heart-warming performances in our Christmas Concert, and our teachers delighted everyone by preparing an amazing day for our students at our Christmas Charity Fair.

Now that everyone is well rested from our winter holiday, let's all do our best to make Term 3 the best term yet!

Best regards,
Mr. Benjamin

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Year 5 students took the fruits of their labour home this month. Some of them had grown to quite an impressive size!



COVID-19 Measures at School

I would like to remind parents that anyone entering our campus must have their temperature checked and a mask is to be worn when on the premises. As per the guidance of our local authorities, parents are allowed on campus to pick up students in the afternoon, but are asked to leave campus promptly. Regrettably, we are still not permitted to allow parents on campus during special events.

School Wide Learning Goals

December's School Wide Learning Goal was to nurture Academic Achievers who meet or exceed year-level expectations, demonstrate academic growth, or strive for continuous improvement. This means an Academic Achiever is a student with great marks or has made strong efforts to progress in their studies. Our SWLG Awards go to our hardest working and highest achieving students. This month's winners are as follows:

1L – SCARLETT LINH ROSE STANBUY, 1B – NGUYEN PHUC NGUYEN, 1C – TRAN LINH PHUONG, 2L – CHO YILIN, 2B – TRAN BINH MINH, 2C – NGUYEN HA DUNG, 3L – THANG KIEU VAN, 3B – NGUYEN NGOC KHANH LINH, 3C – LE TUE MAN, 4L – KOTARU ATSUJI, 4B – DINH LE BAO HAN, 4C – PHAM TU ANH, 5L – PARK KYUNG MIN, 5B – NGUYEN CHI ANH, 5C – DAM BAO NHI, 6L – LE NGUYEN HANH TIEN

Congratulations to our Academic Achievers!



4L Science Experiment
testing the Three States of Matter



The artistic minds of 1-L came up with a wonderful project that focused on the design and engineering aspect of STEM -- catapults made from Popsicle sticks. Having fun while learning!



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Christmas Charity Fair

While we were not celebrating in our usual way, this year's Christmas Charity Fair was still a wonderful success! Our students enjoyed delicious foods and had hours of fun playing games and doing crafts. This holiday season is one of the best times to share with those less fortunate than ourselves through charitable acts. Fortunately for everyone, our students were able to have a great time while helping others!

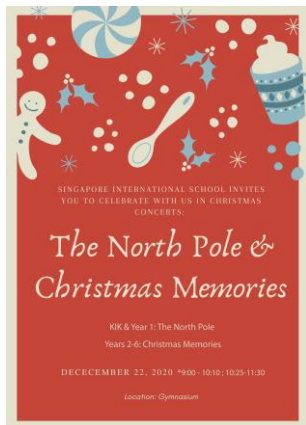


Students waiting in anticipation (above) for some lovely and decorative nail art (below).



Christmas Concert

Our annual Christmas Concert was a wonderful showcase for the talents of our students and teachers alike. With our teachers' support, every child contributed to our Christmas celebration with a charming dance, seasonal song, or skilled musical performance.



ASA – Term 3

Sports, crafts, games and skills....we hope everyone is getting ready for our upcoming After-School Activities! Term 3 ASA begins next month and will run from February 22nd to April 2nd. We will send home a sign-up form in the next few weeks.



Delicious treats to satisfy your sweet tooth.



Our adorable KIK students dressed and ready to perform for our Christmas Concert.



Mr. Jaime leading students during their performances.



KIK students try their hand at fishing.

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KIK

We finished Semester 1 with a delightful Charity Fair, Christmas Concert, and a surprise visit from Santa!

KIK students had a wonderful time during our Christmas events. We especially loved meeting our special guest from the North Pole, receiving presents from him, and enjoying his hearty laugh. What a wonderful time we had together!

K1 – Bunny Class

We learned a lot of different vocabulary and completed a science experiment about oil and water.

It was mesmerizing to watch how colour patterns formed in this experiment. We only needed three simple ingredients, a minute to set it up, and we had an exciting activity to observe and reflect upon.



K2 - Giraffe Class meet jolly old Santa Claus.



Nursery – Lion Class in Float & Sink Activity.

The students in Lion class explored the question, “Why do some things sink and some things float?” One might think that bigger things sink and smaller things float, but in the weird and wonderful world we live in, that’s not always true!

Students performed this Sink & Float experiment by using a variety of objects from around our classroom such as: spoons, pencils, paper boats, foam, plastic balls, and wood.



K1 – Bunny Class learn about mixing compounds.



KIK Students lining up to shoot a goal and win prizes at our Christmas Charity Fair.