

# MISSION

**VISION** 

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.

To be an educational institution of excellence from Kindergarten to University Foundation level combining Eastern Values with

an International education to produce global citizens.

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Awarding excellent students at Leaving Ceremony



A performance by Year 5s at Leaving Ceremony

### From the Principal

As this is the last newsletter for the end of the year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents and families for their wonderful support throughout the year.

I greatly enjoyed meeting with you during our Coffee Dates and Briefings, and I look forward to working with you all again next year. Our very strong teaching teams will remain with us next school year, with only Dr Noel and Mr Rod moving. Dr Noel will be going to the new school at Gamuda, and Mr Rod will be moving to China. We wish them well in the future and know they will keep in touch with their students. We are also very happy to welcome back Mr Joe who will return to us.

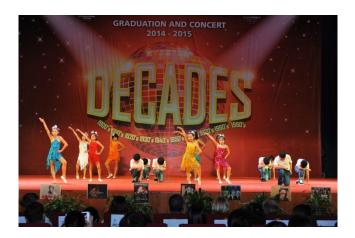
The school year is coming to a close this Friday 10th. Students will begin school again on Monday August 17th.

From all of the staff we wish you a very happy and safe Summer holiday!

#### **Leaving Ceremony**

Our annual Graduation ceremony was held at SIS Van Phuc. The ceremony marked completion of the curriculum study path and preparation of Year 5 students. This was also a chance for them to say goodbye to their beloved Primary school where they have had a strong attachment during their five school years.

The presence of parents and guests at the ceremony to witness the memorable occasion made it even more special for the children.





A performance at End of Year Concert



Year 3 student creates his own pot using clay

# **School Exams and Reports**

Congratulations to all of our students on their very strong performance in the recent exams. The children and teachers worked very hard and this was rewarded in the results. Dr Noel as Head of Studies supervised the process where teachers cross check their marking on exams to ensure accuracy and consistency of marking between the grades. If parents have not already collected and signed both the Vietnamese and English report cards, they may call at the office over the summer vacation for these.

#### **School Concert**

Our Annual School Concert took place at the NCC in Hanoi on Saturday 4 July and was a huge success. With Guests of Honour, Mr. Ricky Tan, Ms. Jeanette Fuller and Ms. Rosy Hoang in attendance, our students put on a spectacular performance with songs from five Decades! The costumes were the result of a lot of hard work and commitment from both teachers and parents. However the main stars were the children of SIS @Van Phuc themselves. The concert finale featured a beautiful performance by the whole school of 'Lean on Me'. Thank you to all our parents for your support in making this great event, one that will be remembered for many years to come.

#### **School Excursions**

#### **Year 1/3**

Year 1 and Year 3 International classes went on a field trip last Thursday.

We rode in the school buses to Bat Trang village.

We saw how pottery is made at the factory.

Then, each person tried to create a pot using clay on a pottery spinning wheel.

Next we ate lunch and then painted a special glaze paint on a mug.

Then it was time for snack before returning to school.

We had a lot of fun and learning.

Written by the students of Year 1 International.

#### Bowling with 3B and 3C

In June, both classes were introduced to the sport of bowling. This was intended to engage students with a new activity that they could do, with their families and friends. In Social Studies, we discussed and learned about what makes a "Healthy Me". The kids had a blast!

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Year 3 having fun at Bowling center



Students enjoy swimming in PE lesson

Watching these young students pick up bowling balls almost their size and attempt to roll them down the lane was quite funny, watching everyone with a smile on their faces! Then a student would get a strike or a spare! The rest of the crowd roared with cheers and laughter. The true wonder of this excursion was when we came back to school the following day, and a handful of students made arrangements to go bowling with their families! All in all it was a wonderful time at the bowling lanes, and all students learned to have fun in an activity that the whole family can play!

#### **Swimming Program at Van Phuc**

Congratulations to all of our students who have taken part in this year's swimming program. All swimming lessons this year were in the swimming pool across the road from school which meant the pupils were able to be in the water for at least 45 minutes every lesson. Our children are always enthusiastic and keen to learn. Many have made excellent progress and shown increasing confidence in the water. I would like to thank Mr. Teager and Mr. Linh for the quality of instruction given as well as Mr Rod, Mr. Brad, Mr. Brent, Miss Kym, Miss Julia, Miss Emily and Miss Kelli for helping out in the water. The children have thoroughly enjoyed a challenging and rewarding experience during these lessons and I hope they will continue to make progress with a very important life skill.

Peter Harwood