# SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ VAN PHUC

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Congratulations to Yellow Team who won the trophy on Sports Day

#### 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.

#### From The Principal

There are always so many exciting and busy activities happening at SIS@Van Phuc because we learn in many ways. Please be sure to visit and see the fruits of all our learning.

Many of our classes were learning outside the classroom this month. Some year levels learned how to make a pizza, while other classes visited an Organic Farm, played with Technology of the Future at Risupia, or discovered the secrets of the dinosaurs at the Mineralogy Museum.

In the corridors you will see students showing their knowledge of Road Safety through their drawings and art. Five clever children won a new helmet for their Road Safety art work. There is also a display of art work highlighting the Liberation of Hanoi with stories and art work on the theme of 'I Love Hanoi'.

This month we also had our very exciting Sports Day where all of the students competed for their team. Congratulations to the Yellow team who won the trophy!

Unfortunately the football tournament when students would have played against many schools was cancelled due to heavy rain.

The last day of term saw a Spooky celebration for Halloween at lunch time with lots of candy and costumes

### Morning/ Afternoon Swap for Term 2 and 3

Please be aware that Integrated classes will be swapping program times for Terms 2 and 3. This means that those classes with a Vietnamese teacher in the mornings will now have an expat teacher and vice versa. The benefit to the students is that they enjoy a change of teacher at these differing times ensuring that they are intellectually stimulated and that also our teachers are refreshed by teaching at different times also. In Term 4, classes will revert back to the same schedule they had in Term 1.

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Year 3s visit Organic Farm



5 students get the first place in Road Safety contest



Art works with the theme "I love Hanoi"

Football

Our ASA football has had a really successful start, encouraged by the recent visit of our Brazilian friends! Both Tuesday and Thursday afternoon coaching sessions are going very well with a full quota of students on each afternoon.

This month we were very happy to welcome SIS<sup>®</sup> Ciputra's Year 4 and 5's boys' football team on the 14 October for a friendly game. Then on the 21 October we were happy to take our Years 1-3 for a friendly game at SIS <sup>®</sup>Ciputra. These matches are very effective in introducing our students to interschool friendships and competitions. It also gives our teachers the opportunity to work with teachers from our sister schools here in Hanoi. We are also hoping to field our first girls' team of the year in a few weeks' time which will also be against Ciputra.

### Calling all Ronaldo's and Messi's!

If you are a parent, uncle or a friend of SIS<sup>®</sup> Van Phuc and enjoy playing football, we would love to hear from you. Mr Charlie is putting together another teacher's football team to play Cau Giay teachers next month and would love to have a few talented parents in the team! So if you think you are up for it.....let Mr Charlie know!

#### News from SVIS

"I love Hanoi" is the theme of the writing and drawing contest held by SVIS to celebrate 60 years of Hanoi liberation.

5 classes who won first place are 1B, 2C, 3C, 3D, 4B, 4C, 5B, 5C.

5 individual first place belongs to: Nguyễn Thu An – class 1B, Nguyễn Ngọc Minh Anh – class 5B, Hoàng Anh Chi – class 5B, Hà An – class 5C, Nguyễn Minh Thành – class 5D.

Second place was won by Đoàn Tuấn Minh – 4B, Vũ Nguyễn Hương Nhi – 4C, Ya Xian – 1C, Dương Hoàng Tú – 4C, Đoàn Bảo Linh – 4D and Vũ Bảo Linh – 3D, Lê Quỳnh Anh – class 4C, Kiều Hữu Kính – 4D, Dương Quỳnh Chi - 5D, Trần Hữu Tài –4B won third place.

The students were excited to participate in a drawing contest on Road Safety which was held from 10-19 September 2014. Out of 200 works, the judges selected 5 group prizes and 15 individual prizes.

These are good opportunities not only for the students to reveal their artistic talent but also for teachers at SVIS to show their pride in thousand year old Thang Long – Hanoi.

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# SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ VAN PHUC



Student Council



The winners of Halloween costume contest



Zombie makeup

Student Council

We are delighted to have a new Student Council in place at SIS@Van Phuc. The Student council members for the 2014-2015 school year are: Nathaniel Hoang Dickerson Y4, Tran Vu Minh Chau 4B, Duong Hoang Tu 4C, Nguyen Bao Tram 4D, Jung Woochang Y5, Nguyen Tu Anh 5B, Tran Le Minh Ngoc 5C, Nguyen Khanh Lam 5D.

Congratulations to these students who were elected by their classmates.

Please be sure to give them your support during this school year.

The purpose of Student Council is to serve the student body of our school, voice student opinions to the administration, encourage leadership in students and to aid other school and community groups.

The Student Council will meet and plan to raise funds for its activities. The Student Council is not responsible for any matters concerning behavior management or student learning.

Some of the duties of the Student Council include:

- Being a student voice
- Identifying charity organizations to support
- Making suggestions on how to improve our school community
- Delivering information at school assemblies
- Planning and organizing events to support our projects
- Protecting our environment and encouraging Ecoawareness through events such as Earth Hour.Mr. Rod is leading year's Student Council and has already begun working with some very serious and determined young student council members. After a wonderful assembly supported by Mr. Mark, Mr. Noel, drummers, ukulele players and singers, the class representatives were welcomed to the 2014-2015 SIS Student Council.

### Halloween

On Friday, 31 October there was scary Halloween music played during lunch in the canteen. Then students gathered by class and entered the stage to show their costumes. Student council members acted as judges to decide the best costumes.

It was great to see many students get in the spirit and get dressed up and participate in the fun. The younger students had a Trick or Treat parade to other classrooms.

Other possible events being considered by the Student Council include a book drive, a walk-a-thon, a spirit week and the very popular Talent Show, perhaps, also a clothes and toy donation to an orphanage or other needy group.

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