



SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ SAIGONSOUTH

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May 2026

Dear Parents,

After some great events that took place during April, including our Easter Celebration, Earth Day and International Culture Day, May is a month where we return our focus primarily to Academics. Students are diligently involving themselves in last-minute studying and revision for the Semester 2 Exams, as well as the continuing Cambridge Examinations in the High School. A reminder that the Semester 2 Exams will be completed from 25 to 28 May.



Congratulations to our U13 Girls Badminton! This month they have won their City Championship Tournament! Well done girls!

We do have some big and exciting events still to look forward to, before the year comes to a close. We will hold Children's Day on 1 June, and also have our inter-school Sports Competitions, where our students will showcase their athletic abilities vs other SIS schools from Binh Duong, Can Tho and Vung Tau. Of course, our End Of Year Concert and Awards Ceremony and MOET Graduations are also items to look forward to. We look forward to parent continued participation with us on these special occasions.

Best regards,
**Donovan Ryan Neethling, Med
Principal**



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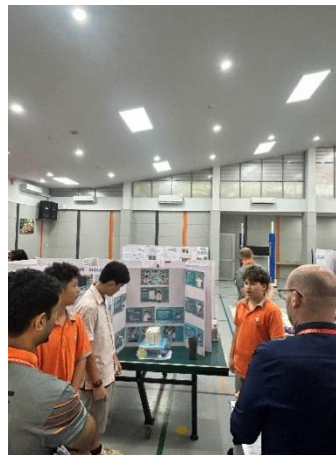
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Deputy Principal

With the Semester 2 exams now finished, this is a good time for students to reset their balance between academics and activities, reflect, and think about what they have learned this year.

Exams are important, but they are not the end of learning. They help students see what they understand well, where they have improved, and which topics they still find difficult. In the next few weeks, students should keep their minds active, and this does not mean long hours of study. Small, steady habits are enough. Students can read through their class notes again, organize the main ideas, look closely at their teachers' feedback, and spend time on the topics that felt hard during the exams. These small habits help students keep their learning rather than forgetting it once the exams are over.

Reading is also very important. Whether students read novels, articles, schoolbooks, or their own notes, regular reading helps with vocabulary, understanding, focus, and confidence in every subject.



Families can help a great deal by making reading a normal part of each week at home. During projects, group work, and end-of-year activities, students also develop important skills. Working with others teaches them how to communicate, take responsibility, solve problems, and contribute to a shared goal. These skills connect closely to the respect that is central to our school's values, and they will help students next year and for many years after.

So, the end of the year is not only a time to finish well. It is also a time to prepare well. By reviewing this year's learning, practicing difficult topics, reading often, and joining fully in the final projects and the End-of-Year Concert, students can finish the year with purpose and step into the next year with confidence.

I look forward to celebrating everything our students have achieved this year.

Best regards,
Joshua Lowery

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Head of Vietnamese

Primary and Lower Secondary students have recently completed their Semester II examinations under the curriculum of the Ministry of Education and Training of Vietnam — the final examinations of the academic year.

The school would like to congratulate all students for their hard work and dedication throughout the school year, and we hope they will achieve results that truly reflect their efforts.



During the final weeks of May, students will participate in the English examinations (International subject). We kindly ask parents to continue supporting and encouraging their children in their revision and preparation, helping them feel confident and ready to complete the examinations successfully.

We wish all students a joyful conclusion to the 2025–2026 academic year and hope they achieve the learning outcomes they aspire to.

Best regards,
Vuong Y Binh



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Head of Studies Primary

During May, all campuses of Singapore International School across the country competed in an exciting Vocabulary Challenge. Last year's traditional spelling bee was replaced with a more modern format that focused not only on spelling, but also on students' understanding and use of vocabulary. Our primary students performed exceptionally well, achieving two first-place finishes, one second place, and one third place across five events — a fantastic accomplishment! The classes thoroughly enjoyed supporting their friends, and all students should feel extremely proud of their efforts and achievements.



At the same time, everyone has been busy preparing for the end-of-year concert. Classes have been making excellent use of their sessions with the choreographer to build confidence and refine their routines, while also dedicating extra time to practice together. As part of a special primary assembly, each class had the opportunity to perform their dance in front of the other primary classes. It was a fun and encouraging experience, and it is wonderful to see how much progress everyone is making.

With Semester 2 examinations fast approaching, students have also been working diligently to review everything they have learned throughout Semester 2. Teachers have been supporting classes to ensure students feel confident, prepared, and ready to do their very best in the upcoming assessments. I am confident that all students will achieve results they can be proud of.

Best Regards,
Billy Hare



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Head of Studies - Secondary

May is one of the busiest months in our academic calendar, and students across the school are rising to meet it well.

Our Cambridge IGCSE and A-Level examinations are currently underway, and we are proud of the focus and dedication students have demonstrated. Students in other year groups are also preparing for SA2 exams at the end of the month.



Alongside these assessments, End of Year Concert preparations are in full swing, making this a period of competing demands for many students. We are working closely with them to support good time management and help them stay on track across both commitments.

Your support at home remains important during this time. Encouraging a healthy routine — balanced study, adequate rest, and time to recharge — will help your child stay focused and resilient through to the end of the month. Please continue to check My KinderWorld App for the latest schedules and school announcements.

Thank you for your continued partnership. We look forward to a strong close to the month.

Regards,
Ryan Dalton



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Kindergarten Lead Teacher

Theme of the Month: My Country – My World

This May, our KIK students are learning about “My Country – My World.” Through stories, songs, and hands-on activities children will explore where we live, learn about different regions of Vietnam, and begin to understand the wider world around them.

As part of the theme, children will “travel” across Vietnam, learning about famous places such as mountains, beaches, and cities, while appreciating the diversity of our country. They will also explore traditional foods and customs, helping them understand how people live, celebrate, and connect with one another.



Our young learners will also be introduced to country flags, recognizing colors and symbols as they begin to learn about different countries in a fun and engaging way. These experiences support early geography knowledge, cultural awareness, and language development, while encouraging curiosity about the wider world.

Families can support learning at home by looking at maps, sharing travel experiences, enjoying traditional foods, or talking about family customs. Simple questions like, “Where do we live?” or “Where would you like to go?” can help build children’s confidence and understanding.

Thank you for joining us on this exciting journey of exploration!

Best regards,

Le Trang Nhung