



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

I trust all those who were able to enjoy the end of term break had an enjoyable and safe holiday. Welcome back to a new school term

I would like to share with you the following information.

Progress reports.

End of term academic progress reports went home to parents in week 2, term 2. Students are to be congratulated for their positive achievements and application to their studies.

Parent Teacher Conferences.

Parent Teacher Conferences will take place during week 3 of term 2. Communication has gone home to parents with recommended times for these important conferences. For further understanding please contact your child's form teacher or school office.

Virtues theme.

Term 2 virtues theme is organisation. Values such as cooperation, responsibility, diligence, service, flexibility will be taught and shared with the students. Virtues are shared at both junior and senior assemblies.

OBV learning experiences.

This term the following classes will participate in OBV learning experiences.

- Week 2, Year 9 Integrated, 29th October to November 2nd at Quy Nhon.
- Week 7, Year 4 International and Integrated, 4th and 5th of December at school.
- Year 5 International and Integrated, 6th and 7th of December at school.

All communication will be sent home to parents.

A busy start to the new school term. For further information please contact the school office.

Yours in learning,

Mark Priddis – Principal

Dear Parents,

With the first term of the school year successfully completed we can take a moment to reflect on our strong start to 2018-19. So far we can say that students are happy and hard-working which are the most important indicators of a positive upbringing. We're excited to build on this as we continue assisting in their educational journey.

The Third week of Term 2 (5 November – 9 November) was designated for Parent-Teacher Conferences, with parents encouraged to contact teachers and arrange a time to review and discuss their child's progress. Please know, however, that any time you have questions or concerns you should feel free to schedule a meeting with the teacher(s). We believe that clear, open communication between school and home is vital.

Thank you again for your continued support as we strive to provide an experience combining Eastern Values with Western Education in developing Global Citizens.

Respectfully,

Robert Madden - Deputy Principal.



Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce the formation of a new student council in which students will take ownership of setting agendas and opportunities to promote leadership, deep involvement and stewardship within our school and the greater community. The purpose of the Student Council is to promote pride, service, spirit and achievement for all members.

In fact, the elections to the Student Council will take place shortly by democratic process, where each student, Y5 and older, votes for another student by secret ballot. The top ten vote earners will be on the new council for this year.

The Teacher Advisory Team looks forward to working closely with students who are committed to make positive contributions to the school's community this year and the future.

Thomas Annis - Deputy Principal (Pedagogy Coach).

Dear Parents,

In October, we had Cambridge exams for high school students for a select few students. The rest of our high school student body is working hard, preparing for their end of year exam or Cambridge exams with diligence and hard work. Reports for term 1 are being prepared and parents will be notified shortly. There is also a parent's meeting coming up, and we look forward to sharing your children's successes with you at that time, as well as listening to any concerns you may have regarding grades, curriculum and general high school life.

Donovan Neethling - Head of Studies (High School)



Students' activities during the OBV
Course

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Dear Parents,

After just finishing up Parent Teacher Conferences many times parents will ask, "How can I improve my student's English skills?" Along with daily reading, here are just a few ideas of some other ways to improve your English:

Listen to, read lyrics or translate your favorite English music. Listening to music while doing something else can even help a little for things like getting used to the natural rhythm and tone of English speech.

Social media/online: Try using English for your online chats, writing on someone's wall or sending out a tweet. The language is short and informal just like speech. Switching your search engine to the English language version of msn, yahoo, Google etc. and only searching in English can be a good way of practicing fast reading for specific information in English.

Keep up with news and watch popular shows and movies. If you have been exposed to topics and trends that are likely to be discussed in conversation, you have a much better chance of understanding people when they talk, and of being able to express yourself well.

Danielle Hoyer - Head of Studies (Y1 – Y5)



Students in Buddy class
with STEM activities



Dear Parents,

The students have studied over two months. In week 10, Integrated students had Mid-Semester 1 Tests including: Vietnamese Studies and Math (for Primary); 45 minutes tests of all subjects (for Secondary).

To achieve good results of Mid-Semester 1 Tests, it was important to arrange for the reasonable learning time at home, reviewing the knowledge from daily lessons. The last week before tests, you should always reflect on your learning.

Based on results of Mid-Semester 1 Tests, teachers can evaluate the knowledge that students have acquired in the classroom and then help them study more effectively. Positive learning achievements are a special gift for all mothers and teachers, especially on 20th October 2018, which was Vietnamese Women's Day.

Mdm. Phung Thi Tuyet Minh
Senior Head of Vietnamese Studies



Students during the class

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Dear Parents,

It has been a very busy month for SIS Sports teams. Lots of friendly matches have been played in preparation for the City Championships that will take place over the next few weeks. All SIS teams should be going into their tournaments. U14 girls basketball team have won all their friendly matches this year. A new team for this year, U11/U9 Cross country completed at the Phu My Hung golf course. This was a very exciting day. Singapore will be hosting the U19 Table Tennis tournament on October 30th and will be looking to continue their outstanding record over the last 5 years. We wish all the teams luck for their City Championships and hope they enjoy the day.

Andrew Smith - Athletic Coordinator



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