

NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2025

March has been a fun and eventful month of the year for our Saigon South community.

The Year 7 group went on our last OBV excursion for this year, thoroughly enjoying themselves as they learned new skills in a differentiated environment. It is sad that all the planned OBV excursions are completed for this year, but we only need to wait until September for them to begin again in the 2025-2026 academic year.

Saigon South also held 2 Open Day events during March. Both events were highly successful, with students and parents able to enjoy a variety of educational games and activities and interact with new students and students curious to learn more about our school. Once again, we would like to thank all our wonderful parents for your support on these Open Days.



I would like to confirm with parents the afternoon arrangements for playtime and for the KIK pickup procedures.

1. We would like to extend the opportunity for KIK parents to visit the classroom every day and also keep students in a comfortable environment whilst they wait for their parents. Once KIK classes finish at 4:00PM, students will no longer be taken to the foyer to wait for parents, instead parents will go to their child's classroom and pick them up. Please feel free to use this opportunity to have a short chat on your child's progress.
2. Once all school classes are finished by 4:00PM, students are able to play in the courtyard area from 4:00PM to 4:30PM, with a teacher on duty to supervise their play. Please note this does not extend to use of the playground or the soccer field. We also want to remind students that running in the corridor areas is not allowed, as it is not a safe way to play.

We want to wish all students a happy and relaxing April holiday, we will see you all soon when Term 4 commences on 14 April.



Warmest regards,

Donovan Neethling - Principal



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Dear Parents,

This month has been both lively and meaningful for our Secondary students. From leading school events to welcoming guests during two successful Open House Days, our High school SLC members continue to grow as role models within the student body. Their dedication has truly brought energy and pride to our community.



Within the Cambridge program, students have been connecting through shared goals and long-term planning. The recent class elections invited them to reflect on their aspirations, speak with purpose, and engage with their peers in new ways. With more subjects offered than ever before, and as the program continues to grow, we're seeing students carve out academic paths that feel increasingly personal and purposeful.

As term 4 begins, our focus shifts to both preparation and celebration. Cambridge exam readiness is well underway, and we are proud of the focus students are showing. At the same time, we're excited about the events planned in the coming weeks - occasions that will bring students and families together and remind us of the vibrant, supportive community we're building each day.

Warm regards,

Joshua Lowery
Head of Studies, Secondary



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Dear Parents,

Students in Grades 4, 5, and middle school have recently completed their mid-term exams for the required subjects. For subjects that do not have formal assessments, teachers will evaluate students based on their learning progress and overall performance throughout the term. Parents will soon receive report cards along with feedback on their child's academic performance and behavior. Based on these insights, we hope to work closely with parents to support students in preparing effectively for the upcoming final exams of the school year.



In March, integrated program students participated in a workshop focused on essential skills such as communication, teamwork, goal-oriented work, discussion and negotiation, as well as fostering a sense of love and mutual support. Through engaging and enjoyable experiential activities, the school hopes that students not only had fun and bonded with their peers but also gained meaningful lessons that will contribute to their personal growth.

Best regards,

Vuong Y Binh - Head of Vietnamese

Dear Primary Families,

It has been an action-packed month for everyone in Primary! Many of our students participate in sports extracurricular activities, which help their social skills and fitness improve the more they attend. It also gives them the opportunity to visit other schools and play against their school teams. This month, our basketball, tee-ball and football teams enjoyed a lot of success and represented us school extremely well.



During assemblies, we have been working on the students' understanding of sportsmanship. This helps them understand the importance of fair play, honesty and persistence when playing any kind of game.





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This is creating an understanding yet competitive attitude which will help our students to be successful. We have also focused on morality, the importance of doing the right thing all the time, and I hope you find your children more helpful and considerate while at home or out in your local community!



We will also be having the school photos taken this month, helping everyone have a lovely memory of this wonderful year!

Warm regards,

Billy Haire – Head of Studies, Primary



Dear KIK Families,

March is bursting with fun in our Kindergarten calendar! From Dr. Seuss's Birthday Celebration to springtime crafts, this month is all about exploration and creativity!



Our Monthly Themes

Dr. Seuss Celebration: We will kick off the month by celebrating Dr. Seuss and his wonderful world of rhymes and imagination! Each day, we read a different Seuss book and engage in fun dress-up days, literacy activities, and silly crafts inspired by his stories.

Flowers Unit: Children will discover different types of flowers, learn about their parts (such as petals, stems, and leaves), and discover how they grow.



Fruit and Vegetables Unit: The children have been learning about different fruits and vegetables and their importance to a healthy diet. We have talked about how they help us grow strong and stay healthy.

Roles of Plants in Life Unit: We will wrap up the month by exploring the life cycle of a plant, understanding what plants need to grow and learning about their roles in our lives. The students have also been enjoying fun, colorful art activities and planting projects in their classroom.



Important Notes and Reminders

Please be informed that starting from Monday 24 March, the new pick-up location will be your child's classroom.

This change is a part of our consistent efforts to maintain and improve, where necessary, the child's wellbeing and safety.

This change also enables you an opportunity to view the learning space of your child on a daily basis.

We greatly appreciate parents for always arranging to pick up their children on time (classes end at 4:00 PM), which helps teachers better perform their academic duties and be well-prepared for the next class.

Please note that once you sign your child out, they should not return to the classroom.

Warm regards,

Le Trang Nhung
Lead Teacher (Kindergarten)