

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

It has been quite a busy month of March thus far with activities and teaching and learning. Most of our students are progressing very well and we expect excellent results in SA 2. We do have a few students who need to put in more effort, more commitment and stay more focused on their work in class as well as at home.

A few notices:

- Spelling Bee Finals – Friday 6 April 2018
- ICT Final Exam iGCSE 17 and 19 April 2018
- Purchasing of outside food and drinks have been discontinued
- Homework: As part of revision and helping students prepare for the final exams, homework will be given in an effort to further improve on student results. By completing the homework, the teacher can determine if a student needs further help or whether the student is competent and prepared enough for the exams. It is therefore vital that parents play their part in supervising and checking that the homework is completed on a daily basis.
- Senior School camp takes place from Friday 30 March to Saturday 31 March 2018
- Graduation performance practices have started in some classes whilst other classes will start soon

Thank you for your great support as always.

Warmest regards

Dudley Schroeder
Principal



Learn more about Eco-Bricks in this newsletter.



Celebrating Mr. Dudley's Birthday in Kindergarten

Spotlight on Year 3 International

This month, it was the Year 3 International class' turn to present the virtues in assembly. They were presenting both self-discipline and critical thinking. For the first time ever, they were given free reign of what they wanted to do. It is so exciting and wonderful to watch our students' level of independence, and so, their level of confidence grow. They decided to work in two teams and each present one of the virtues. They did an absolutely brilliant job of preparing and presenting their stories to demonstrate what both self-discipline and critical thinking is.

Aside from working on their assembly presentation Year 3 has also been busy in the classroom. In Maths they have been learning how to measure mass, length and volume in Maths which involved some slightly damp practical experiences. The students enjoyed this thoroughly.

In Physical Education they have also been working group balances in which the students have learnt to make small human pyramids. This has been a lot of hard work getting the balance right and their effort has really paid off!



Year 3 International

Eco-Bricking at SIS

At SIS we are striving to teach our students to be responsible citizens and to help care for our planet so that future generations may also enjoy the beauty that we do. One of our teachers has started the Eco-brick initiative.

Eco-bricks are empty disposable plastic bottles, packed with plastic waste. Once compressed, these bottles become hard, and an ideal building material.

It is our goal to collect 3000 completed Eco-bricks by Earth Day, on April 22nd 2018. After collection we plan to build a structure for a community in need. Whether it be a house, library, or community center, the amount of bricks we are able to collect will determine this.

Please support this initiative and encourage your children to put together Eco-bricks for this exciting event.



A wall being built using Eco-Bricks in Cape Town, South Africa



Year 1 & 2 International Eco-Bricking

SWLG

No, this is not a spelling error. This is an introduction, for those of you who have not heard of them before, to our **SCHOOL-WIDE LEARNER GOALS (SWLG)** and for those of you who have, just a reminder of what we seek to achieve here at Singapore International School.

Academic Achievers who:

- Meet or exceed year level expectations
- Demonstrate academic growth
- Strive for continuous improvement

Confident communicators who:

- Demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening
- Work collaboratively with others
- Use creative forms of expression

Critical Thinkers who:

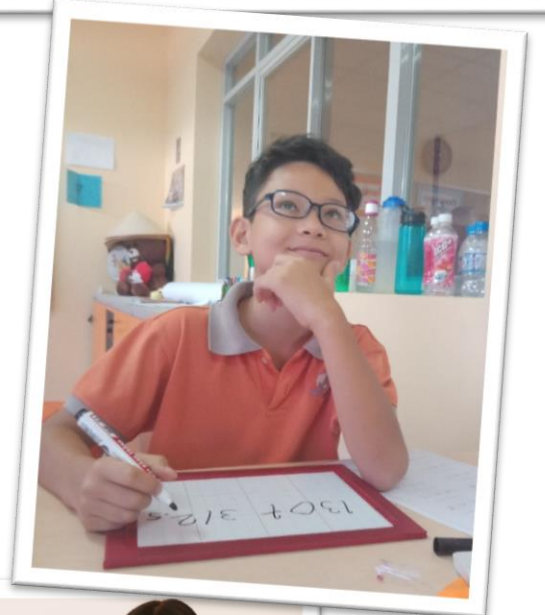
- Apply rational, higher order thinking skills

Technologically literate students who:

- Effectively use technology to access, organise, evaluate, create and communicate information
- Understand responsible use of social media, communication and networking tools

Active and Responsible Citizens who:

- Understand and respect other cultures
- Demonstrate good citizenship and social responsibility
- Understand the importance of an active and healthy lifestyle
- Understand and demonstrate universal virtues



TROY UNIVERSITY VISITS SIS@VUNG TAU

Troy University, located in the American city of Troy, Alabama, visited our campus on Friday, March 9th. The University sent 5 representatives from the University headed up by Mr. Lam. Mr. Lam and the other representatives gave a brief overview of the University and what kinds of majors our Year 8 International-IGCSE 2 students could study. The most interesting fact about the University is that they have a branch located in Ho Chi Minh City that caters to Vietnamese students who would like to study for a year or even two years before possibly going to the USA to finish their degree. Mr. Lam also talked about which four year degrees could be obtained in Ho Chi Minh City as well as the financial advantages of attending Troy. There were also two representatives who graduated from Troy in the States who talked to our students about what life was like for them studying in the USA. It was a very informative hour for our older students.



Our older students enjoying a visit from Troy University



Student Life in Photos

