

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ VUNG TAU

NEWSLETTER

March 2021

SIS Tet Food Drive

As part of Tet SIS Vung Tau held an annual Tet food drive for our chosen local children's orphanage.

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, teachers and students were not permitted to enter. Therefore, Mr Victor was only allowed to drop off the donations. Hopefully when we are allowed back in we will have our students visit the orphanage and provide some entertainment for the children.

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Notices:

- 1. Students Year 6 L and G classes will attend OBV from 29 March to 2 April 2021
- 2. The Science Fair was a huge success
- 3. Most students from Year 3 up are doing very well with the DynEd programme- well done
- 4. Last school day of Term 3 Friday 2 April 2021
- 5. Start of Term 4 Monday 12 April 2021
- 6. Edupage for students' progress / results on Edupage: https://sis.edupage.org

Thank you for your continued support.

Stay safe and best wishes

Secondary Science Fair: Food Science 2021











This year's science fair had excellent levels of participation from students from years 5 to iGCSE 2. The students put on an excellent show of ingenuity and scientific knowledge with many amazing experiments. Among some of the experiments on show were large coloured sugar crystals, food tests, acid experiments and chemistry tests.

The science fair is a great way for students to show off what they have learnt in their science classes and have fun working together in teams. It is also an important part of the STEM programme within Singapore schools.

Well done to all the students who participated in the fair.

More photos can be viewed and downloaded from our school website: www.vungtau.sis.edu.vn

House Logos: Competition Winners











The students were recently invited to redesign the four logos that represent the school houses. The houses, Phoenix, Dragon, Hydra and Unicorn compete against each other to win points through a range of activities such as sports, academic studies and general contributions to the life and success of the school.

The winning designs were Hydra by Irwin in 7L, Phoenix by Alice in iGCSE 2, Unicorn by Gyuri in 6L and Dragon by Luna in 4L.

Congratulations to all who participated and tried their best. The creativity really was flowing. Great job all.

We are looking to making new flags and hang these in the school hall based on the designs from our students.

Rainbow Class

Rainbow Class came back to school after a long holiday break. Our mixed-age group has 7 students from Pre-Nursery to K2 which makes our classroom so colorful and fun. Older ones show compassion and care to younger ones, younger ones grow love and respect to older ones naturally and willingly. Such a great opportunity that we had the International Woman's Day on 8th of March so that we could show our kindness to the beautiful women of KIK. Rainbow Class visited all KIK classrooms and brought lovely flowers with love and respect to our lovely teachers.





It is time to enjoy spring. We would love to watch a bunch of seeds becoming seedlings and growing roots, leaves and flowers. Rainbow Class is busy with exploring the World of plants from fruits to vegetables, flowers to life cycle of a plant. Why not start with the most familiar ones to us; pumpkin seeds! We got some soil from our garden first, then planted our seeds in a pot where we could observe the roots. We showed great care and patient until the first seedlings greeted us. We cannot wait to see the flowers and the fruits of our first experiment!





Science: Animal Dissection Class



Above: As part of the iGCSE science programme, students in iGCSE 1 have been dissecting cows' hearts. Dissection gives the students the chance to link what they have learnt in their text books to the real world. Dissection is relevant to all the biological sciences including medicine.

Students look at the 4 chambers of the heart, as well as the main arteries and veins going in and out of the heart. Students taking triple biology are also required to study ECG diagrams and the cardiac cycle.

Y5L -Science



Above: Y5L learned what happens to various kinds of food when you seal them up in a jar for 2 months. They recorded their observations, predictions and conclusions about what would happen to each food item and whether or not they would lose or gain weight. Later, they shared their discoveries at the Science Fair. Surprisingly, a kiwi seemed to barely rot at all, and a piece of chocolate remained virtually the same as new. The cheeseburger, however, suffered a fuzzy fungal fate!

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School-Wide Learner Goals here at SIS @ Vung Tau

The Singapore International Schools around Vietnam have 5 School-Wide Learner Goals (SWLG) that we strive to foster in all students attending our schools. These School-Wide learner goals are as follows:

- 1. Critical Thinkers who apply higher order thinking skills.
- 2. **Technologically Literate Students** who effectively use technology in many ways.
- 3. **Confident Communicators** who demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening.
- 4. **Academic Achievers** who meet or exceed year level expectations and strive for continuous improvement in their academic pursuits.
- 5. **Active and Responsible Citizens** who understand and respect different cultures and demonstrate good citizenship and social responsibility through serving others.

Here at SIS @ Vung Tau, we are emphasizing that our students become **Active and Responsible Citizens** during the 2020-2021 academic school year. The Students of the Term, each term and the Citizenship Award at the end of the year, will be earned by those students that best demonstrate the traits of Altruism, Ethics, Preparedness, Etiquette and Empathy as defined below:

Altruism - The selfless concern for others

Ethics - Moral principles that govern a person's good behaviour

Etiquette - The customary code of polite behaviour in a society or a school

Preparedness - A state of readiness to learn and grow inside and outside of the classroom

Empathy - The ability to understand and share the feelings of another person

We feel by educating our student body in these Goals and Traits, we will help to prepare them for their futures as **Active and Responsible Citizens** and for them to play an active role not just in their own communities, but also become part of the global community, understanding and help resolving issues of global concern.

Student of the Term Awards

Our Student of the Term awards for Term 2 was held during Assembly on 13 January 2021. As part of our adherence to our School Wide Learning Goals, all awards for this school year will be based on the Active & Responsible Citizen criteria. Winners of this award exemplify unique traits in the form of altruism, ethics, etiquette and empathy. This is a non-academic award as this School-wide Learner Goal (SWLG) measures the student's relationship within the school community. This award encourages our students to be a part of their community by performing good deeds. All teachers nominate students who have displayed the abovementioned traits; the student with the most nomination wins.