

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ VUNG TAU NEWSLETTER

November 2019

Sports Day

On the 15th November students enjoyed a morning of sporting competition in their house teams. The students competed for points for their houses in a variety of activities. The budding young athletes demonstrated their sporting prowess scoring goals, pulling ropes and having fun.

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Notices:

- 1. Start of exams Monday 9 December 2019
- 2. Christmas Charity Fair Friday 13 December 2019 at school starting at 6:00 pm
- 3. School closes for Christmas Break Friday 20 December 2019
- 4. School reopens after Christmas Break on Monday 6 January 2020
- 5. School closes for Tet Holidays and end of Term 2 on Friday 17 January 2020
- 6. School reopens for Term 3 on Monday 3 February 2020

Thank you for your continued support which is much appreciated.

Best wishes as always

Dudley Schroder Principal

Teachers' Day

Teachers' day is a big event here in Vietnam and at SIS school the students put on a fantastic performance to show their appreciation for the hard work and dedication of their teachers. It was truly touching to see the warmth and affection of the students towards their teachers. Our heartfelt gratitude to all our parents for having made Teachers' Day 2019 a very special day!



Football Match

On 15 and 16 November we hosted the American International School Saigon for a friendly boys' soccer game here in Vung Tau. The first game was tied at 2-2. In the second game on Saturday the visiting team scored first but goals by Dong and Min put our team ahead 3-1 at halftime. In the second half, the visiting team came back and tied the game at 3-3 and in the last few minutes of the game Min scored a great goal to give our team the win at 4-3.



Kinderworld Christmas Fair - Caritas Vietnam

This year Kinderworld will be supporting Caritas Vietnam for the Christmas Charity Fair. Caritas Vietnam's social service activities include campaigns to help dioceses boost education and life skills for young people, water projects to improve the health of leprosy patients and support to people living with disabilities. It runs a scholarship programme for poor students. It also organises workshops on HIV/AIDS to prevent the spread of the epidemic.

Vuon Xoai

The integrated students from Year 4 up recently enjoyed a trip to Mango Gardens in Dong Nai. The park has a number of attractions including a small zoo, amusement rides and beautiful gardens. The students had a chance to see a lot of the animals such as the lions, tigers and giraffes. They also had a lot of fun on some of the rides including riding a horse.



Year 4 Social Sciences

Our current SIS curriculum for Social Sciences is based on the Australian curriculum, which in Year 4 encompasses an exploration of "How People, Places and Environments Interact, Past and Present." This provides the students with an opportunity to expand their knowledge of the world through looking at the history and geography of particular colonisations and the migrations of different groups of people over the centuries. This term, the students are learning about the Roman Empire, while in the first term they learnt all about the Vikings – and even got to create their very own unique Viking shields!





Year 1L

Year1L students visited the Bapula Chocolate Factory. We learned how chocolate is made. Then we made our own chocolate candy to take home. It was a delicious experience!

iGCSE1 Young Scientists

The IGCSE 1 class are hard at work preparing for their December exams. The IGCSE 1 Triple Chemistry class are doing chemical analysis trying to work out what their unknown compounds are.



The triple sciences (Biology, Chemistry and Physics) were first introduced at the beginning of the 2017-2018 academic year, and we have now reached the stage where 12 out of the 16 students in IGCSE 1 have elected to take the more challenging triple sciences option. This year's IGCSE results (2018 – 2019 academic year) in the triple sciences programme, after the first assessment, were world class, with 11 out of the 12 grades being at the A or A* level. Our top student this year is Nikki Evans who has won the top student in Vietnam for the Triple Chemistry option.

Congratulations

We would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the following students for their sensational achievement in last year's IGCSE examinations:

Nikki Susan Evans, who gained not only 9 A* grades at IGCSE level, but also won the top student in Vietnam award for IGCSE Chemistry.

We are also proud of the achievements of Le Ho Minh Anh, who gained 8 A* grades at IGCSE level. Well done to all our students for having achieved very good grades indeed!

