



VISION

To be an educational institution of excellence from Kindergarten to University Foundation level combining Eastern Values with an International education to produce global citizens.

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To provide quality educational programmes in a creative and challenging learning environment, embracing innovative teaching pedagogies to empower every student to become a life-long learner.

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Above: Celebrating Children's Day on June 1st 2017



Above: Some of our students presenting their e-Portfolios at our e-Portfolio Day

Dear Parents

It certainly has been a busy period for us all with the recent WASC follow-up visit, school audits, excursions, exams and graduation preparation. Our students have once again exceeded expectations all-round and enjoyed the challenges that they faced.

Our student numbers this year have increased and we are looking forward to further growth. There is still currently a promotion package available for new enrolments until the start of the new academic year. If you have family or friends interested in enrolling their child/ren to our school, please inform them accordingly.

It is also with great sadness that we are saying good bye to Ms Su. She was responsible for the Year 3 International class and her dedication to all students will always be remembered. On behalf of our students and parents, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for all that she had done. Happy retirement Ms Su and we hope to hear from you from time to time.

The new academic year starts on Monday 7 August 2017. New challenges will be faced for staff, students and parents and we will all work together to give our students the best we can. A possible new change is the introduction of sending report cards via email to parents and not to have these printed. We will be saving paper and slowly helping our environment. The first trial will be at the end of Term 1 with the Progress Report cards.

On behalf of our wonderful and dedicated staff, we wish you and your family a wonderful and most enjoyable break. We would also like to thank all our parents for all the support during the past year.

Warmest regards

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Principal

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Above: The Kindergarten students enjoying the fun on Children's Day



Above: Kindergarten students ready for their End of Year Concert Dance representing Hawaii.



Above: Prep students' graduation.

Children's Day Celebration for Kindergarten

On Thursday 01st June 2017, KIK students at SIS@Vung Tau celebrated International Children's Day. They started their day with the balloon maker, a Member of Vung Tau Professional Balloon Association, having fun with the balloon making. The Kindergarten students also participated in various activities in the classroom with friends and teachers including colouring in, painting, sand painting, etc. During afternoon snack the Magician made his appearance. The students were overwhelmed.

To round off the almost perfect day, all students were presented with a gift from the Board of Management of Singapore International School. Watching them leave school in the afternoon was just priceless as one could see (and hear) the overwhelming excitement on their faces.

Interview with Year 1's of 2017-2018

It's an exciting time as some of our Prep Students will be entering Grade 1 after the summer. We spoke to some of them about what they thought would be different about being in Primary School compared to Kindergarten they had a lot of ideas of what being in Primary School would be like.

The students of Prep International all agreed that they would no longer get nap times, that they'd have too much work and that they would be able to make some new friends.

The students of Prep A Integrated said that they thought they would have to study harder, they also knew that they would no longer be getting nap time and they said that they would have to be responsible for everything they do, the teacher wouldn't help them as much as when they were in kindergarten.

The students of Prep B Integrated agreed that things would be a little more difficult but were excited about having a new teacher, making new friends and having a different routine.

We wish them all the best of luck with their year in Grade 1!

Children's Day Celebrations for Year1 – iGCSE

Children's Day was celebrated throughout Vietnam on 1 June 2017.

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Singapore International School had a special day planned for their students. The primary and secondary students participated in several events throughout the day to earn House Points and just for good old-fashioned fun!

Many students enjoyed the Pool Party, where there were competitive races, silly-stroke races, noodle races and games. Students scoured the school grounds during Scavenger Hunt, and then had to create stories out of some of the items they found.

We took an ice-cream break in between activities to cool us down. After lunch, students relaxed with some popcorn and a movie. We wrapped up our exciting day with a pizza party and a *Dance Off session!*

The students really enjoyed all the activities, food, gifts and fun. It was a great way for students to celebrate their special day and to unwind after exams.

e-Portfolio Showcase Day

On Wednesday, 14 June, students in Year Groups 4 to 8 brought their laptops and tablets to present their work for our First Annual e-Portfolio Showcase Day. The purpose of the day was sharing and celebrating student learning and achievements throughout the school year using e-Portfolios. Students presented and reflected upon their learning journey in their classes and discussed their various class projects whilst embracing 21st Century Learning and technologies.

e-Portfolio stands for an electronic portfolio. The e-Portfolio contains authentic examples of student work samples including research and essay writing, artwork, and multimedia materials embedded in a viewable and informative way.

Our students created an impressive range of websites and digital artefacts showcasing their remarkable educational journey at our campus. This year's initiative of student e-Portfolios was undertaken as part of our WASC accreditation and utilised the process of reflective learning via our School Wide Learner Goals. Furthermore, students also had the opportunity to use public speaking skills while presenting their work to others, being interviewed and receiving feedback from other classmates, teachers and campus administrators.

The entire presentation was a great success and we're all very proud of what our students have achieved this year.



Above: Some of our Year 4s working on the Scavenger Hunt



Above: Water balloon relays



Above: Mr. Dudley learning about e-Portfolios from Lily, one of our Year 7 Integrated students.

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End of Year Concert and Graduation

On Tuesday the 20th of June our students spent the morning at Maxims, preparing for our End of Year Concert. There was much excitement as students found their buses and headed to the hall. Costumes, noise, music and students buzzing with anticipation to see what all the other classes have been up to during their practices. The students did an excellent job of rehearsing, which made them even more excited for the actual event.

The actual event, which took place on Thursday the 22nd of June, was an even greater success. The parents were thrilled with the performances and the students received many cheers.

Congratulations to the students who received awards, as well as to our Kindergarten graduates who will be proceeding to Year 1 next academic year. We wish them all the best.

Looking Forward, and Goodbyes...

As always, with the end of an Academic Year, we will be losing valuable teachers as well as students whose faces we have come to know so well, as they move to other parts of the world, or have graduated and will be going to University.

We will be wishing Ms. Susan Bagnall a fond farewell, as she not only leaves our school, but also teaching. She is retiring and heading home to her native New Zealand to enjoy some traveling and relaxing. She graduated from Teacher's Training College in 1967 and so after almost 50 years of service, we believe she has earned a very long holiday! We wish her all the best and will miss her, as will the students.

We look forward to a new school year in August. We look forward to new teachers coming from around the world who will add to the cultural experiences our students gain from our teachers. We look forward to new students who will make friends and learn collaboratively with their peers, who will thrive in our learning community. We look forward to new parents who will share their own life experiences with our students and who will be a big part of their child's learning. Finally, we look forward to seeing all the old familiar faces back at the school who make this school what it is - a centre for academic achievers, confident communicators, responsible citizens, I.T learners and critical thinkers!

Best wishes for the holidays from all of us! See you back at school on Monday 7 August 2017.



Above: Year 1 and 2 International dancing a Greek Sirtaki



Above: Year 5 International and Integrated doing a traditional Italian dance.



Above: A fond farewell to Ms. Su, our Year 3 International Teacher who is retiring after 50 years in teaching.

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