

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ VUNG TAU

# **NEWSLETTER**

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## Mid-Autumn Festival

Mid-Autumn festival was celebrated with traditional singing dancing and games in the hall. Students and teachers put in a lot of effort to make the celebrations successful. Mid-Autumn festival is traditionally celebrated throughout Asia at this time of year and is a tradition going back thousands of years. Students put on a variety of performances in the hall with dragon dances, contemporary dances and traditional costumes. The celebrations ended with John from iGCSE1 and Chi from 9G having a quiz with the students for prizes.

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## Dear Parents

We are hard at work with our curriculum and much work still need to be covered before our students can sit for the SA1 exams in December. We continue to ask parents to work with our teachers in supervising students' homework. We had a beautiful Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration at school and our next event will be Teachers' Day on 20 November at school. Thank you for your continued support and for making us your school of choice.

Kind regards

Dudley Schroeder Principal

## KIK

Students in KIK have been having fun with Currently the playground and football students can use the computers to play on. practice their maths, English and other subjects on ABCya and online.

Mid Autumn festival and their classes, pitch are being refurbished and the new Among the classes they have are ICT with KIK playground will soon be equipped with Mr Ray and reading in the library. In ICT the brand new apparatus for the students to









# **Professional Development Learning Walks**

Here at school, the teachers have the opportunity to watch each other teach. For 2 weeks in the year, a group of teachers walk around the school observing their colleagues to see what works best in the classroom.

These "learning walks" are designed to build collaboration between the teachers and for them to improve on their current teaching practices. This year's focus during the class walk through was acquisition and strategies that help our students learn English.



# How are the new teachers getting on



## Miss Mandi

My name is Mandi and I am from China. I am very happy to teach Chinese at SIS school. I hope all the students will continue to improve there reading, writing speaking and listening in Chinese.

Since becoming a teacher of Chinese at SIS, I feel very happy and proud each time I see the students' Chinese ability improve. I hope that through fun study activities, the student's Chinese level will get better and better.

## Miss Honey

Almost 2 months into the new school year, and as a new teacher at SIS, it has been an absolute pleasure teaching the Year 4 International students this year. colleagues and administrative staff who have been helpful and welcoming, and a lovely group of students in my care, these first seven weeks have certainly flown by! Our class constitutes a delightful mix of nationalities and languages, and comprises a group of friendly, kind, dedicated enthusiastic and vouna learners. It's been hardwork but a lot of fun.



## Miss Jodi



The start of a new school year is nothing short of exciting. A new classroom, a new teacher and the best of all, new classmates! After spending our first day getting to know each other, we soon began the very demanding Year 3 syllabus work. Each day the Year 3's have learnt new concepts, songs to make work easier and some interesting skills in STEM. Not only have they been busy in the classroom, but even managed to spare some time to help clean the environment, by cleaning up the streets. It's been an awesome 7 weeks in Year 3 and we look forward to a happy and successful year.

#### STEM class

Building on the success of the STEM day activities last year SIS Vung Tau now have a dedicated STEM room for the primary level students to do STEM class.

Miss Anna has been working with the students to create a variety of exciting projects exploring skills and topics connected to STEM.

STEM really represents the overlap in skills and knowledge required in many industries and jobs in order to successfuly build engineering and technology based industries.

## Miss Anna

'It's always exciting over here in STEM!
This term we have been considering the wind as a power source to push and pull.
We have been engineering:

- -Wind turbines to lift small weights
- -Koi kites to show wind direction and strength
- -Tetrahedron kites to show wind power Everyone has been improving their cutting, fixing and manipulation skills. And of course, having fun.'











