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April Star Readers





**STAR READER OF
MONTH MARCH 2026**



LILLY NA SKAARN

PREP INTEGRATED

**STAR READER OF
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**CHAWAKORN
CHUTIMANUKUL**

YEAR 1 INTERNATIONAL



**STAR READER OF
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NICHAPHAT JUNRIT

YEAR 2 INTERNATIONAL

**STAR READER OF
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LIE HOANG MAGNUS LOKE

YEAR 3 INTERNATIONAL


**STAR READER OF
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**CHANYANUCH
SIRIKANRUANGSRI**

YEAR 4 INTERNATIONAL

**STAR READER OF
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LE DUC ANH

YEAR 5 INTEGRATED



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PHAM BAO LONG

YEAR 6 INTEGRATED

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DAO MEGAN

YEAR 7 INTEGRATED

STAR READER OF
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PHAM THI THAO NGAN

YEAR 8 INTERNATIONAL

Well done to all the winners!

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NGUYEN LE KHANH NGOC

MOST IMPROVED READER
SECONDARY

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TRAN NGOC LINH DAN

MOST IMPROVED READER
PRIMARY



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Five Days of Adventure

Year 6 learners from Vung Tau teamed up with others from Saigon South and Can Tho for the annual Outward Bound Vietnam (OBV) in Binh Dinh, from 23 to 27 March 2026. It was five days of sweat, laughter and spaghetti sauce! We hiked up a steep mountain to the famous Ong Nui Pagoda, then cooled off with lunch at a mountain stream.





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Beach volleyball tested teamwork, while the cooking challenge proved that spaghetti can be delicious. Pitching tents, cleaning up and camping under the stars taught responsibility in the most memorable way. The trip was unforgettable: a journey of stamina, creativity and friendship that is etched into the hearts of everyone who took part.





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Community Helpers

Our Grade 3G students enjoyed fun and meaningful learning experiences as they explored the topic “Community Helpers.” This unit helped students understand how different helpers work together to make our community safe, healthy, and happy. The highlight of the unit was the **costume presentation**. Students came dressed as their chosen helper using creative and simple materials. Some wore uniforms, hats, or used props like toy stethoscopes, badges, or books.





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Chinese with 1L

Our Year 1L class has been enthusiastically exploring the vibrant world of the Chinese language! Through interactive lessons, students are building confidence in both speaking and writing. They have been practicing correct stroke order and forming simple characters, while also developing vocabulary through engaging activities and games. Learners are beginning to read short, simple texts, helping them connect sounds, meanings, and characters.





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Singing Chinese songs has been a highlight, supporting pronunciation and making learning fun and memorable. Group activities and role-play encourage collaboration and active participation, creating a positive and supportive classroom environment. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and willingness to try new words each day. We are proud of their progress and look forward to their continued growth in learning Chinese!





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Awards Ceremony

Our recent Monthly Awards Ceremony celebrated the outstanding achievements of our students across a wide range of academic competitions, both within school and beyond. Learners excelled in international and national platforms such as IOE (Internet Olympiad of English), ASMO (Asian Science and Mathematics Olympiad), and KANGAROO, earning impressive provincial and national awards including multiple 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishes, as well as Silver and Bronze medals.




Congratulations!



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Students also demonstrated excellence in multidisciplinary contests like VIOLYMPICS, which integrates Maths, English, and other subjects, achieving several Gold, Silver, and Bronze awards at provincial level. Within school, programmes such as RazKids and ReadTheory recognised students' progress and achievement in English reading and comprehension.





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The SIS Science Fair showcased creativity and scientific thinking, with students earning awards for Best Design, Scientific Method Mastery, and Judges' Awards. Additionally, participation in events like the Asia Business Simulation highlights our students' growing real-world skills. We are incredibly proud of all participants for their dedication, effort, and success.





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KIK Sports Day

KIK students had a wonderful Family Sports Day at school, where parents and children enjoyed playing games together and sharing happy moments. The activities helped build strong coordination and teamwork skills while encouraging everyone to stay active.





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Parents were excited to join their children, creating a fun and supportive atmosphere. Everyone showed great energy, enthusiasm, and sports spirit throughout the day. It was a meaningful opportunity for families to bond and connect with each other. The event was filled with laughter, joy, and unforgettable memories for all.





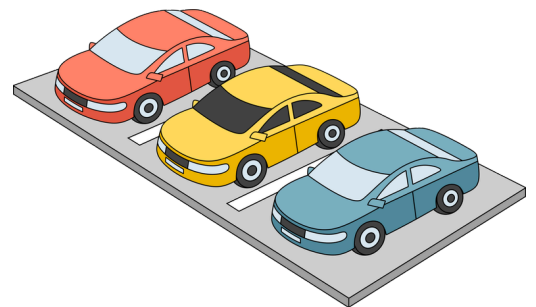
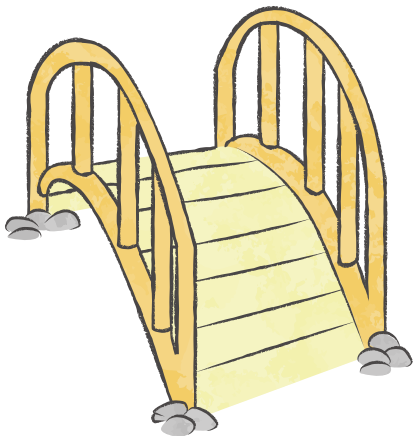
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Other KIK News



Our K1 friends had so much fun creating land transportation—cars, buses, and more. Learning through play makes every moment special!



K2& Prep L: Teamwork makes the dream work. Our students had fun thinking outside the box and listening to one another's ideas. One activity consisted of deciding on how to build a bridge using only the available resources in the classroom to transport their cars across.



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Prep G students are learning music with the xylophone at school in a fun and engaging way. They enjoy exploring the different sounds by gently tapping the colorful bars and listening to the high and low notes. The teacher guides them to play simple rhythms and easy songs, helping them understand basic musical concepts like pitch and tempo. Through group activities, students take turns playing and listening to each other, which builds teamwork and confidence. This hands-on experience not only makes music lessons exciting but also supports their creativity, coordination, and love for learning.

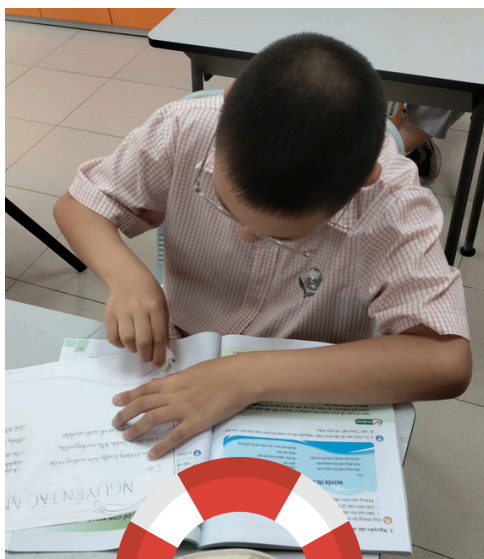


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Together to Prevent Drowning

Recently, students participated in a painting activity with the theme "Preventing Drowning." The painting session took place in a fun, friendly, and creative atmosphere. Each student expressed themselves in their own way, from images warning of dangers when swimming in rivers, ponds, and lakes to messages reminding them to learn to swim, wear life jackets, and avoid playing near deep water. Many paintings, though simple, conveyed very clear and practical messages. More than just an art activity, this was also an opportunity for students to learn and remember important skills to protect themselves. This activity not only brought joy, but also helped students better understand the value of safety in life. Through this, each student became more aware of keeping themselves and their friends safe. Hopefully, the lessons learned today will stay with them in their daily lives.





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Robotics at SIS Vung Tau

When a group of SIS Vung Tau students first stepped onto the competition floor at a VEX V5 Robotics Competition back in November, they did so as complete newcomers – no previous competition experience, just months of hard work, late prototyping sessions, and a lot of problem-solving. What happened next made the whole school proud.

The team walked away with the Judges Award – a recognition given to teams that demonstrate outstanding qualities beyond raw match performance. For a first-ever competition, it was a remarkable achievement, and a signal of something exciting taking shape at our school.





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What is VEX V5 Robotics?

VEX V5 is one of the world's most widely participated student robotics programmes, run by the Robotics Education & Competition Foundation (RECF) and used in schools across more than 50 countries. Students design, build, code, and drive their own robots to compete in a seasonal arena game that changes every year.

This season's game – Push Back – challenged teams on a 12×12 foot field where two alliances of two teams competed to score as many coloured blocks into goals as possible, control zones on the field, and park their robots in designated areas before the final buzzer. It rewards clever autonomous programming, sharp driver skills, and smart alliance strategy. The students found it demanding and exhilarating in equal measure.

Looking Ahead: A Brand New Game

The VEX season follows a fixed annual cycle. Every spring, the previous season's world championship doubles as the stage for one of robotics' most anticipated moments: the reveal of the following year's brand new game. This year, all eyes are on St. Louis, Missouri, where the 2026 VEX Robotics World Championship is running from 21–30 April.



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On Friday 24 April, immediately following the championship finals and closing ceremony, VEX will officially reveal the 2026–2027 game, already confirmed to be called Override. The full game manual will be released on Monday 27 April, and pre-orders for official game field element kits are already open on [VEXrobotics.com](https://www.vexrobotics.com).

For our students, this reveal marks the starting gun for their next build season. Once Override is announced and the manual is in hand, the team can begin designing an entirely new robot built specifically for the new game's challenges – new strategies, new mechanisms, new code.

What's Next for Our Team

The Judges Award win in November proved that our students can hold their own in a real competitive environment. Now, with a full season of experience behind them and a fresh game on the horizon, the ambition is growing.

Building a robot for Override from scratch will be a genuine engineering challenge – and exactly the kind of real-world, project-based learning that makes STEM at SIS Vung Tau so valuable. We will keep parents updated as the new season takes shape.

Watch this space – and watch out for our robots.





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Earth Week & Earth Day

We are proud to share the highlights from our Earth Week and Earth Day celebration. This week was full of learning, teamwork, and care for our environment.

One of the most special moments was our annual beach clean-up. Students, parents, teachers, and staff worked together to clean our local beach. With gloves, bags, and big smiles, everyone helped collect rubbish and protect our ocean. This activity showed our students how important it is to: Take care of nature, work as a team, and be responsible citizens. We are very proud of our school community.





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Back at school, students continued their Earth Day learning with fun and hands-on activities: building solar kit projects: Solar Challenge 2026, creating Earth Day posters and headbands, planting and learning about nature, and watching Ecobrick demonstrations by student leaders in 6L. Students learned that small actions can make a big difference for our planet. A big thank you to our student leaders who helped guide activities and support younger students. They showed great teamwork, confidence, and care.

We would like to thank our STEM Team and our community partners: OBV Team and Mr. Tuna (Leave No Trace), EcoNet Long Son, Long Son Petrochemical ESG Team, and Fahasa - Earth Week Book Fair

