



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 and below: Fresh and ready for the first day!



Dear Parents

A very warm welcome to all our students, parents and staff. The summer break now seems to have been much shorter We are all looking forward to an exciting year filled with great academic work, interesting activities and excellent student results.

The first Kindergarten meeting for Parents was held on Thursday 17 August 2017. The aim of the meeting was to build the trust and support among parents and teachers and the start to a beautiful and supportive relationships.

Our first Parent Teacher Meeting for Primary, Secondary and High School will take place on Wednesday 23 August 2017 starting at 6:00 pm in the school hall.

For Year 6 to iGCSE 2, we will have Outward Bound (OBV) presenters at our school on 25 August 2017 for specialized activities. Students have been divided into groups and all will attend 2 sessions for the day. Among the sessions there will be a session on leadership development for our students.



**OUTWARD BOUND
VIETNAM**

A very special welcome to all our new students and parents who have joined our campus for the first time. Also a special welcome to Mr Mark Rozic, our Deputy Principal, Ms Brittany Danboise, Year 1L & 2L teacher and Mr James, Form teacher for Year 8L. We hope the new teachers will enjoy their stay and working here in Vung Tau and will give only their best to assist our wonderful students.

Thank you for making our school your school of choice.

Warmest regards and best wishes for the year ahead.

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Above: Starting every day with a bit of exercise helps teach our Kindergarten students the importance of a healthy body to maintain a healthy mind.



Above: Some excited brand new Year 1 faces



Above: Straight into some work on the first day.

Welcome to Academic Year 2017-2018

A warm and hearty welcome back after a refreshing summer holiday. We trust that this year will be as exciting and rewarding as the years before. We were very excited to welcome both new and old students back to school on the 7th of August. There was a lot of excitement and bustle as students found their new teachers, learnt new routines and made new friends.

Kindergarten Welcome

Welcome to KIK 2017-18 school year! We are off to a great start in Kindergarten at SIS Vung Tau. It was an exciting first day as we welcomed students back and welcomed new students with only a few tears.

It has been a busy few weeks as the children learned new classroom routines. The first few weeks of school are always tiring and challenging for kindergarten students. We are amazed at the progress each child has made as they transitioned from the summer months to the full and rigorous days of school. We look forward to working with you and your child during this exciting school year.

We want your child to have a wonderful kindergarten experience. We believe that all children can and want to learn. As an educator, our goal is to help your child be an independent, lifelong learner. We want to develop and maintain an "I can" and "I will try" attitude. This positive attitude promotes success and happiness.

Welcome to Our New International Teachers

Mr. James

My name is James Kilian, and I am from South Africa. I have a Bachelor's degree and a Teaching Diploma in education. For the past several years I have worked in South Africa and China. I enjoy meeting new people and finding ways to help them have an uplifting experience.

I am a dedicated person with a family of three. I enjoy reading and the knowledge and perspective that my reading gives me has strengthened my teaching skills. I have been successful at raising a family, and I attribute this success to my ability to plan, schedule, and handle many different tasks at once. This flexibility will help me in the classroom, where there are many different personalities and learning styles.



Above: Mr. Mark and Ms. Brittany

Mr. Mark

I have been an educator for 30 years. I was an elementary teacher at the beginning of my career, and switched to HPE in the middle of my career. I've been working in administration for the last 10 years. I've taught in places like Washington D.C., Guam, Saipan, and Japan. My very first job in administration was at a new school in Lahore, Pakistan where I was the Head of School for 5 years. From there I went on to be the elementary principal of an international school in the Kingdom of Bahrain for 4 years. I'm married and have a sixteen-year-old daughter. This is the first time my family has ever been to Vietnam and we're enjoying getting to know Vietnam and especially Vung Tau very well.

Ms. Brittany

Hello everyone! My name is Brittany Danboise and I am pleased to join the SIS Vung Tau staff. I am from New York state, way up north on the Canadian border. I have been teaching for 5 years, in New Zealand, South Korea, Germany, and last year at SIS Van Phuc in Hanoi. I am excited to be the new year 1 & 2 international teacher. Outside of school, I enjoy running, cycling, and teaching gymnastics, so I am keen to teach gymnastics for After School Activities this year! I am very happy to meet you and I'm excited for this new school year.

Ms. Fan

Hi, everyone! I'm Zhou Fan. I come from Anhui province, China. It is famous for The Yellow Mountain.

I worked in the student affairs office in Anhui Normal University from September 2014. After that, I moved to Saigon to be a full time Mandarin teacher in 2015. Vietnam is an attractive country, with many delicious foods and nice people, that's why I am in Vung Tau now. I'm very glad to share Chinese culture with our junior students, and hope they can use simple Chinese to communicate with people. With me, students will enjoy a fun, engaging and professional class.

First Day Reflections

We asked some of our students to record their first day back at school for the year to gain some insight into their perspective of this event, enjoy the following paragraphs.

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Above: Ms. Fan and Mr. James



Above: The Year 1 Integrated class is a very big class this year!

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Above: iGCSE 1 ready to get started



Above: Year 4 International and their new teacher for the year, Ms. Anna



Above: Year 1L is a small class this year, but they're excited to be in "big school"

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Hai Anh from Year 4 Integrated wrote:

Wow! It's been a month since I left school for the summer holidays and now I'm in 4th Grade, not 3rd Grade anymore. I'm so happy to be one year older. Today was the first day of school, it was amazing and it was very hot! That didn't stop us from having fun. I saw lots of students waving to their parents to start a new school year. We started by going up to the hall to hear Mr. Dudley speak about this school year. Then we got to meet our new teacher Ms. Phuong. We've already learnt a lot of fun things from Ms. Phuong. Today has been a fun day.

Emma and Hana from Year 3 International wrote:

We got to school at 8:25 and we went to the hall. We got to meet with our old teachers and our new teacher. Our form teacher is Ms. Brigid. She is very kind and she is from South Africa. We wish that we will all have a good year in Year 3.

Anne from Year 4L wrote:

When I heard that I was about to go back to school I was terrified! I was excited for Back-to-School shopping though. I couldn't sleep the night before school started, but when I got to school the next day, Ms. Anna was kinder than I thought. She gave us a board, a white board marker, chalk, a cloth, a marker and a doodling pad. Our books came and we had to write our names so many times! We also got our school supplies. I didn't expect such a wonderful day. I really enjoyed seeing my friends again.

We asked the Year 1 and 2 International students some questions about their first day:

What did you enjoy most on day one? "P.E. We played a game." Was it fun? "Yup," Joey Y1.

"I liked Chinese because it was easy," Marissa Y1.

How do you feel about school? "I feel amazing, so happy, because I have a lot of friends, and my best friend is Adam, Phuong, Caleb, Kaka, and even Joey," Bean Y2.

What do you like most about school? "Football," Adam Y2. "Colouring, P.E., and Art," Kieu Anh Y1 and Vy Y2. "Frisbee and P.E.," Phuong Y2. "Swimming and football," Caleb Y1.