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## ***Making a Difference Together.***

This year, we are excited to organize a gift drive for the children at the Centre for the Social Protection of Children in Vung Tau, Vietnam. This incredible orphanage cares for around 100 children, from newborns to 18 years old, many of whom face significant challenges, including severe disabilities.

I would love your help in bringing joy to these children during this festive season! Here's how you can contribute:

### Suggested Donations

#### 1. Dried Foods:

- Tinned goods (vegetables, fruits, meats)
- Packaged dry foods (rice, pasta)
- Cooking essentials (oils, sauces, sugar...)

#### 2. Clothing and Bedding:

- Gently used clothing (clean and wearable)
- Bedding items (sheets, blankets) in good condition

#### 3. Cash Donations:

- If you prefer, cash donations for "Lucky Money" for the children and staff are also greatly appreciated.



Every item you donate can bring smiles and comfort to these wonderful children. Imagine the joy on their faces as they receive your gifts!

Thank you,

Dudley Schroeder  
Principal



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## ***Dodgeball: More Than Just a Favorite Game***

Our Year 7 students are now in their Dodgeball unit, and excitement is at an all-time high. Dodgeball is not only one of their favorite games—it is also an incredibly complete physical activity. Through fast-paced play, students develop agility, coordination, and reaction time. The constant movement builds cardiovascular endurance, while throwing and catching improves motor skills and upper-body strength.





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Dodgeball also encourages strategic thinking, teamwork, communication, and resilience as players learn to adapt quickly and support their teammates. Beyond the physical benefits, the game promotes confidence, cooperation, and a positive competitive spirit. It's a fun and highly effective way to help students grow both athletically and socially.





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## ***Rehearsals for the Tet concert***

Immediately after the last Christmas crumbs were swept away, preparations for the Vietnamese Tet holiday concert at the SIS@VUNGTAU ignited. Class 7G launched into a mission: rehearsals for the Vietnamese Tet holiday concert.

The dance itself celebrates Tet, Vietnam's most important holiday, marking the Lunar New Year. By performing a Tet dance, students not only honor Vietnamese culture, but also learn the deeper meaning behind the traditions—joy, gratitude, and togetherness.





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While there are a wildly different bunch of "unique colors," they've managed to blend into a masterpiece. These rehearsals were more than avoiding the tripping over the scenery. Between the missed steps, the students were learning teamwork, creativity, and resilience. These are the essential keys to becoming a future global citizen.

In the end, this lunar mission rehearsal wasn't just about dancing, it was about landing smiles, sharing culture, and proving that practice really does make perfect.





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## ***Primary Music***

As we begin the 2026 school year, our Primary students across both the International Programme and the Integrated Programme have shown great enthusiasm and active participation in music lessons.

In the Primary International Programme, students have engaged in interactive rhythm games, clapping activities, and ensemble work that helped to strengthen coordination, teamwork, and confidence. These activities keep students active and motivated while encouraging creative expression and effective communication in a supportive learning environment.



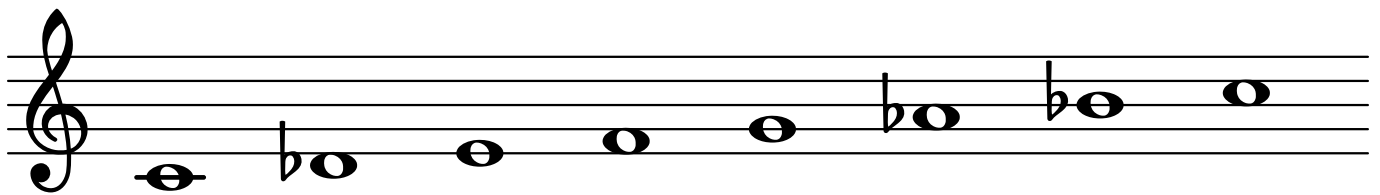


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Building on these skills, students in the Primary Integrated Programme deepened their musical learning through Vietnamese songs and music reading, alongside hands-on performance on the recorder and ukulele. By applying their reading skills to real instruments, students develop practical musicianship, focus, and confidence while continuing to collaborate and learn through music.

Together, these learning experiences support holistic development and reflect our commitment to nurturing confident, creative, and engaged learners through music.





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## ***Year 2G ACTIVITIES***

Last December, Year 2G carried out many meaningful and beneficial activities, helping to create a joyful learning atmosphere and supporting students' well-rounded development in both academic knowledge and life skills.

Joining the joyful atmosphere of the Christmas celebration, the students actively participated in the school's cultural performance program.





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The flute performance was carefully prepared and diligently practiced by the students. On stage, the children showed confidence and innocence through cheerful melodies that conveyed messages of love and sharing. The enthusiastic applause from teachers and parents became a great source of encouragement, helping the students gain more joy and confidence in communication.





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In addition to the Christmas performance, Year 2G also took part in an exciting outdoor field trip. This trip provided students with opportunities to learn through real-life experiences while developing teamwork skills and a sense of discipline.

Throughout the trip, the students followed the rules well, maintained cleanliness, and showed solidarity and kindness by helping one another. Their bright smiles and eager expressions left many positive impressions.

Through the activities in December, the students not only created many memorable moments, but also developed important life skills, self-confidence, and a strong sense of teamwork. These valuable experiences have helped foster their love for the school and classroom and increased their motivation for learning.



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## ***Middle School Field Trip***

On December 18, 2025, the school organized a one-day educational field trip for students in classes Y6G, Y7G, Y8G, Y9G, Y6L, and Y8L. The trip included a visit to the Ba Ria Thermal Power Plant and practical experiences at GO! supermarket and Gozoo farm. The trip was safe, meaningful, and left many positive impressions on the teachers and students.





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At the Ba Ria Thermal Power Plant, students received direct guidance from engineers, who introduced them to the electricity production process and how to use electricity safely and efficiently. What might seem like dry scientific knowledge became engaging through practical experience, helping them broaden their understanding, foster a love of learning, and cultivate a sense of environmental responsibility. Furthermore, the scientific concepts in textbooks were vividly illustrated through real-world experiences, expanding students' knowledge, and fostering STEM thinking.





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During the trip, students visited and rested at GO! Supermarket in Ba Ria. Here, they relaxed, recharged their energy, and practiced social skills and communication in a modern and civilized environment.

In the afternoon, the students immersed themselves in the lush green surroundings of Gozoo Farm, visiting and interacting with many friendly animals. This activity not only brought joy and relaxation, but also helped students develop observation skills, a love for nature, and an awareness of environmental protection.





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With a well-structured schedule, clear educational content, and balanced recreational activities, the field trip not only brought joy but also contributed to the holistic development of knowledge, skills, and emotions for middle school students, creating beautiful and memorable memories in their learning journey at the school.



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## ***Y7G Students Celebrate Food and Drink Unit with Tasty Presentations and Shared Feast***

The Y7G students marked the conclusion of their food and drink unit with a vibrant showcase of presentations and a shared classroom feast, highlighting both academic learning and cultural exploration. The culminating activity allowed students to demonstrate their understanding of global cuisines while developing research, presentation, and teamwork skills.

As part of the project, student groups selected a dish to research, focusing on its origins, ingredients, preparation methods, and cultural significance. Topics ranged from Japanese sushi and Vietnamese com chien (fried rice) to homemade cookies and the popularity of milk tea across Asia. Each group delivered a clear and informative presentation, reflecting strong research and growing cultural awareness.





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Following the presentations, students sampled the dishes in a communal tasting session, which provided a hands-on opportunity to experience the foods they had prepared. The event also emphasized responsibility and cooperation, with students working together during preparation and cleanup.

The class was commended for their enthusiasm and professionalism, noting that the project successfully brought learning beyond the textbook and encouraged meaningful cultural appreciation through food.





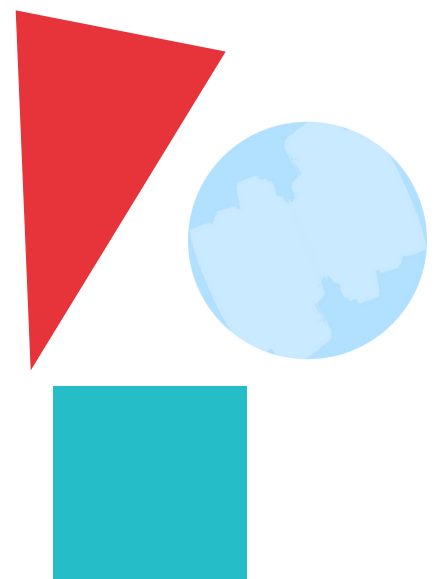
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## *News from K1K*



We were excited to have Father Christmas visit and spoil us with his 'ho ho ho' and with presents. Thank you, Father Christmas. We appreciated getting presents.



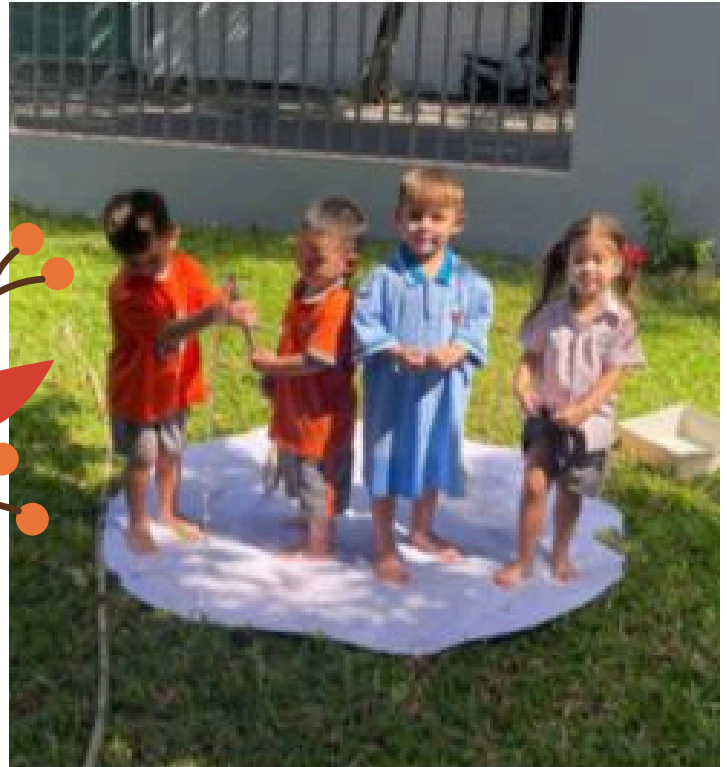
Nursery L and K1 L. Learning happens in so many ways. Here we are learning about the letter M and about triangles, squares and colours. Learning is so much fun.



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On our nature walk we found a large leaf which had fallen off the tree. We painted it to make it look bright and colourful. We then had fun washing the paint off the paint tablecloth. These activities were so much fun.



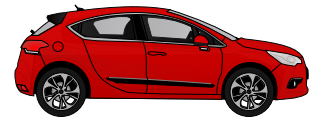
K2L and Prep L  
celebrated 100  
days of school!  
What a  
milestone! 100  
Days Smarter!





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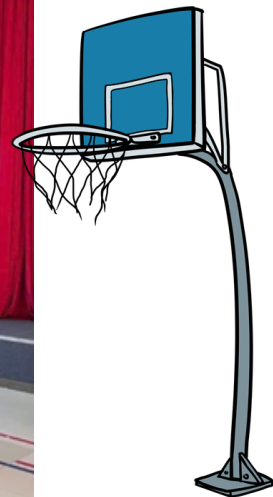
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Pre-Nursery and Nursery students are colouring pictures in a Transport booklet, while sitting at the tables.



The Prep G student enjoyed practicing to bounce and throw the ball while improving their basketball skills. They showed determination, coordination, and teamwork during the activity.





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K2G students love spending time on the soccer field, where they run, kick the ball, and strengthen their gross motor skills through active play and the use of various equipment. While some students join in the games, others enjoy watching and cheering on their friends, fostering camaraderie and team spirit. Surrounded by green fields and blue skies, playtime becomes a joyful and relaxing experience for everyone.



Prep G students are enjoying learning about TET traditions. As part of their learning, they are creating festive decorations, helping to deepen their understanding of the meaning and significance of TET.



