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## November Highlights: A Month of Creativity, Learning, and Fun for Students

This November has been a whirlwind of exciting activities and memorable experiences for our students! The month was packed with engaging events that brought both fun and learning to everyone.

We kicked off with Halloween celebrations, sparking creativity as students decorated their classroom doors in hopes of winning the title of "spookiest door." The creativity on display was inspiring, with every door telling its own haunting story. Alongside the decorations, we hosted a bake sale that raised funds for charity, a fantastic effort by everyone involved!

Halloween day brought more excitement, as students came dressed in their best spooky costumes. The energy was high, and everyone enjoyed the opportunity to showcase their Halloween spirit.

This month also included our much-anticipated STEM Day. Students tackled a challenging activity, constructing an electric circuit using copper tape, batteries, and bulbs. It was a great hands-on learning experience, blending science and creativity.

To wrap up the week, we ventured to The Gala Theater for a movie excursion, giving our students a chance to relax and unwind after their hard work. The fun continued at Hayya Hayya, where students had a blast running around, recharging, and enjoying some well-deserved free time.

November has truly been a month to remember, filled with moments of joy, creativity, and learning. We look forward to more exciting months ahead!





## Students Shine in Chinese Language Class with Character Mastery



Students in advanced grades in Chinese class showcased their ability to express themselves using Chinese characters, marking a significant achievement in their language learning journey. With pride, they introduced themselves using a variety of expressions that encompassed personal details such as family, city, country, school, preferences, and even their parents' occupations.

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As their teacher expressed, "I am proud of this progress," highlighting the importance of encouraging students to think independently and express their ideas creatively in a second language. The classroom environment fosters confidence and engagement, empowering students to embrace the intricacies of the Chinese language.





## Science: Plant Classification Unit

Year 3 International Science students have been exploring the topic of plant classification, learning the many ways in which plants can be classified, including the differences between flowering and non-flowering plants. Within this unit, we've been learning how flowers play a key role in the plant life cycle, particularly in the processes of pollination and fertilization.

To bring this learning to life, students recently took part in a hands-on flower dissection activity. Each student worked with a fresh lily, carefully dissecting it to study and classify the different parts. As they separated the stamen, anther, filament, petals, stigma, ovary and other parts, they were able to see first-hand how each component of a flower contributes to pollination and seed formation. This activity not only helps them name and identify the various parts of a flower but also gives them a deeper understanding of the role each part plays in fertilization.



This engaging experience encouraged students to apply their knowledge practically, enhancing their skills in observation, classification, and critical thinking. The hands-on approach made the concept of plant classification more memorable and meaningful, sparking curiosity and excitement about the natural world. I've included some photos of the class in action to share the joy of learning in Year 3's science journey!



## Kindergartners Get Creative with Paper Plate Maze in STEM Class

In a delightful display of creativity and learning, K1, Prep and K2 International class embarked on an engaging project during their STEM class. Students transformed simple paper plates into mazes, sparking their imaginations and encouraging hands-on problem-solving skills.

The project began with a simple yet innovative idea: to transform ordinary paper plates into a fun-filled maze that the children could construct and navigate. Armed with paper plates, straws, scissors, and tape, the children eagerly began to work, cutting, sticking, and decorating their mazes with vibrant colors.

Once the mazes were complete, the real fun began! The kindergartners eagerly navigated through their mazes, giggling and cheering as they guided marbles and small ball figures through the intricate paths. It was a heartwarming sight to see the little ones so engaged and proud of their work.

The paper plate maze project not only provided an educational experience but also fostered a love for learning and exploration in these young minds.





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## Students Shine at ASMO Local Qualifiers: National Competition Awaits

The results of the ASMO (Asian Science and Mathematics Olympiad) local qualifiers have been announced, celebrating the exceptional talents of students in Vung Tau. The event featured a variety of subjects, including Mathematics, Science, and English, with participants ranging from grades 3 to 8. Congratulations are in order for the students who achieved high results, earning the coveted Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals. These exceptional young minds will advance to the national competition scheduled for December 1, 2024.

The complete list of winners below reflects the dedication and hard work of these students, many of whom received consolation prizes and certificates for their efforts, contributing to an encouraging environment that celebrates learning and growth in academics.

Name	Class	Exam subjects	Award
Trần Minh Triết	3G	Mathematics	Bronze
		Science	Bronze
		English	Silver
Thammarinth Thammakul	3L	Mathematics	Consolation
		Science	Certificate
		English	Bronze
Đỗ Triết Hưng	3L	Mathematics	Bronze
		Science	Bronze
		English	Silver
Trần Huy Tuấn Khanh	4G	English	Silver
Đỗ Chí Công	4G	Mathematics	Consolation
		English	Certificate
Lê Đức Anh	4G	Mathematics	Bronze
		English	Silver
Trịnh Minh Khiêm	5G	English	Gold
Bùi Xuân Phúc	5G	English	Silver
Trần Vũ Gia Hân	6G	Mathematics	Gold
		English	Gold
Dao Max	6G	Mathematics	Consolation
		English	Bronze
Bùi Khánh Hưng	6G	Science	Consolation
Bùi Nhật Minh	7G	Mathematics	Consolation
Nguyễn Hoàng Thủy	8G	English	Bronze

The ASMO qualifiers not only highlight the students' academic excellence but also serve as a platform for fostering a love for learning and competition. As these students prepare for the national stage, the community looks forward to their continued success in the upcoming competition. Congratulations once again to all participants and winners! Your hard work and dedication have truly paid off, and we wish you the best of luck at the national ASMO competition.



## Girls' Basketball Club

The girls' basketball club has become a success story at our school. The club now has 12 active and enthusiastic members with the majority coming from the IG classes and 2 more girls from class 7G.

The club meets every Thursday afternoon from 4 until 4:50. The practices are divided into 3 parts. First the girls practice their shooting skills independently. After that all of the team members practice various skills such as ball handling together. Finally, in the last 20 minutes they break into 2 teams and play a very competitive game against each other.

Why do the girls enjoy the club? Many of the players have stated that the club gives them the opportunity to get more exercise to help them relax after a long and hard day of classes. Others have said that playing a sport helps to have more focus to increase their learning. Another positive benefit as noted by a team member was that being on a sports team has made their friendship even stronger.

Hopefully in the future the team will begin to play against other local and SIS schools. The school wishes to build on the popularity of the club by introducing a hockey club for the secondary school girls in grades 6 through 8. Fortunately, for the girls, Mr. Jason, the fourth grade international teacher and a former member of the South Africa nation will coach the team.







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## Teachers' Day: When Gratitude Shines Bright

In the spirit of gratitude for Teachers' Day on November 20th, the 7G students came together to create vibrant and meaningful wall newspapers. Each drawing, poem, and article was carefully crafted as a heartfelt expression of thanks to their teachers – the dedicated individuals who have guided them on their journey of knowledge. Beyond being an extracurricular activity, making wall newspapers allows the students to express appreciation through every stroke of the pen and image. Additionally, their enthusiasm for learning and sense of unity are ways to honor the teachers' dedication, contributing to a significant and memorable celebration.







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November is one of the special months of the year. There is Vietnamese Teachers' Day in November. It is the day for students to show their respect and love for their teachers. On this occasion, KIK preschool children made beautiful flowers by themselves to give to their teachers.







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