

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ BINH DUONG NEW CITY

# NEWSLETTER

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear SIS families and friends.

It's amazing that it is already time for my last newsletter article. I am very proud of our students' progress. It has been a wonderful academic year! Much thanks and praise to our dedicated staff for their commitment and steadfastness. My sincere gratitude to the parents and teachers who were a support and encouragement to our teachers, my sons, and me. You have no idea what a blessing you have been to our lives.

As an international school, we say many hellos and goodbyes. Even so, the goodbyes can be the hardest to say. We want to say a very special farewell to families and teachers who are moving to new locations. Ms Trang, Mr. Michael, Mr. Reuben, Ms. Kathleen, and Mr. Tom: Thank you for all for your contribution during your time at SIS@BDNC. It has been a joy to know you and we wish you all the best at your new schools and countries! I know that you agree with me that Vietnam will always hold a special place in all of our hearts.

**School will begin for students on Monday, August 6th**. As a result of new student intake and students moving, class lists will be revised up until the beginning of next academic year, as this all depends on student enrolment. Thank you for your understanding.

I will never forget you. I hope, and plan, to see you again one day.

In closing, please remember this:

"What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family." - Mother Teresa

With love,

MaryKay Gudkova

Principal

## **END OF YEAR CONCERT**

Thank you to Ms Lilit, The Concert Committee, parents, family and friends and of course all the students for making the End of Year Concert such a success. A video of the night will be available early next academic year.





### **EXAM RESULTS**

Here at SIS@BDNC we are proud of all our students and what they achieved in the semester 2 exams. We know that a lot of time, hard-work and study is involved. We wish to acknowledge the following students for achieving an average of 90% or higher for English, Mathematics and Science in the Semester 2 exams:

Lincoln Huy Le (Year 1 Integrated)

Vo Phuc Nhu Y (Year 1 International)

Li Jia Hui (Year 1 International)

Wong Yu Mei (Year 2 International)

Marcia Ancilla Junarta (Year 2 International)

Do Tuyet Ngoc (Year 2 Integrated)

Vuong Vy (Year 2 Integrated)

Imaiboon Chawalitruangrith (Year 3 International)

Nguyen Mai Khoi (Year 3 International)

Nguyen Minh Dang (Year 3 Integrated)

Vuong Hong Ngoc (Year 3 Integrated)

Vuong Bao My (Year 3 Integrated)

Vu Vuong Hoang Yen (Year 3 Integrated)

Lin Yu Jo (Year 4 International)

Vuong My Ky (Year 4 Integrated)

Lam Tu Nhu (Year 4 Integrated)

Vuong Hong Thanh (Year 6 Integrated)

Vuong Bao Nhu (Year 7 Integrated)

Shih Tuong Hao (Year 7 International)

Ly Truc Vy (Year 8 International)

Chung Tuyet Nhi (Year 8 Integrated)

Our congratulations to you all for truly being academic achievers!

#### STAFF UPDATE

As our school grows and as some teachers move on, there is a need to increase our staffing. It is our pleasure to introduce you to some new staff starting next year;

Hi, my name is Stefan Enslin (29) from Sasolburg, South Africa. At school I participated in extracurricular activities like Water-polo. I attended North-West University's Vaal Triangle Campus, and studied

Education with a focus on ICT (focusing on Programming) and Mathematical Literacy (also sometimes called Applied Mathematics). I have been practicing Aikido for the last 5 years.

My hobbies include learning new programming approaches and techniques, reading, watching Anime and playing PC games.



We are also delighted to introduce Terri Eayrs who will be joining us next year.

I come from the Capital city of my province which is situated between the Indian Ocean and the mountains in beautiful South Africa. I have been teaching for almost 30 years in a beautiful private school.

I am married to Greg and we have 2 children. We are a very closely bonded family who share a love for sporty, outdoor activities. We spend weekends and holidays fishing, camping, hiking, playing golf, canoeing or road and trail running. Our son is a teacher in Hong Kong. Our daughter is enjoying a gap year in Sydney. I make friends easily and I am interested in new challenges and diversity in people. Actually, we can't wait to get to Vietnam and begin the new chapter in our lives.



## **STEM**

In the last newsletter we mentioned that SIS@BDNC will be introducing STEM to our curriculum next year. STEM stands for <u>S</u>cience, <u>T</u>echnology, <u>E</u>ngineering and <u>M</u>athematics. It is our plan to have two STEM classrooms, where children can explore and create using anything from cardboard boxes to robotics. We will also be running STEM clubs and having STEM days during the school year. We, at SIS are very excited about STEM. This short video shows what STEM can look like in classrooms <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YB\_QhFFPpLs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YB\_QhFFPpLs</a>

# **THANK YOUS**

Big THANK YOU to Zhao Zhun's family for the donation of the library book boxes in our Block A library. They look wonderful!

We want to add a big THANK YOU to Thien Truc and Minh Nguyet's family to say thank you for the staff party dinner.

And finally, a thank you to the parents of Zin Zin and Fong for the donation of their truck to assist us during the concert.