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Virtues Awards to wonderful students!



Excursion to Halong Park - Nursery and K1

#### 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.

# **MISSION**

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.

## **Messages from the Principal - Susan Christiansen**



# **Semester 2 Begins**

On January 19, Semester 1 ended and Semester 2 began on January 29. We completed the first of the two assessment and reporting periods and parents will receive information regarding the collection of reports and Parent/Teacher interviews early in Term 3.

From my observations, and keeping in mind how new our school and the SIS@HaLong curriculum is to all of our students, we should be very proud of their achievements to date. The Singapore International School's curriculum is a rigorous program which can only be mastered with time and practice.

We look forward to an even more successful Semester 2 with our students' skills and knowledge increasing week by week.

Exposure to many types of English texts can support your child's learning. Encouraging less screen time, in this day of technology, and more book time can be a great way to improve understanding of the basic skills needed for mastery.

### SIS@HaLong Virtues Awards

This semester our students have been introduced to 8 of the SIS Virtues, and in our end of semester assembly students received awards for demonstrating these Virtues.

Virtues studied this semester were; Care, Responsibility, Perseverance, Creativity, Patience, Cooperation, Self-Discipline and Self Reliance.



Excursion to Halong Park - All KIK



Story about Halong Bay on Bai Chay beach



Taking note during excursion always useful!



Learn together, strong together!

## Award Recipients -

K1-Tran Trung Duc

**K2**- Nguyen Hoang Hai

Prep- Pham Phung Nguyen

Year 1- Vu Pham Bao Han

Year 2 - Vu Gia Bao

-Vu Gia Bao (Vietnamese Program)

Year 3 - Bui Anh Thu

-Ta Quang Duc (Vietnamese Program)

Year 4 - Pham Gia Quyen

- Bui Thi Minh Chau (Vietnamese Program)

Year 5/6- Vu Mai Huyen

**Year 6-** Pham Thu Ngan Thu (Vietnamese Program)

## **KIK Excursion to Sun World Park**

On January 17, our young KIK students went on an adventure to Sun World Park. The excursion enabled students to develop their abilities to explore, reflect and persevere. It provided an opportunity for children to exchange and share feelings with peers and teachers outside of the regular school environment.

### **Years 1 to 6 HaLong City Tour**

On January 18, Years 1 to 6 enjoyed an excursion to HaLong City. The excursion provided students with the opportunity to learn about historical sites and stories which contribute to students' patriotism and national pride. Students also gained more knowledge, for such subjects as literature, history, and geography, from specialist guides and displays.

**Experiential Learning Room -** SIS@Halong will open an Experiential Learning Room from Term 3 for structured play that allows for the development of skills such as fine and gross motor, critical thinking and problem-solving. The room will be used by our prep and Year 1classes to promote student engagement while fostering creativity, responsibility and cooperation.

The room may also serve as a multifunction room that all primary students can use to practice performances and role plays. Role plays are a tremendously useful tool in teaching. Role playing helps to build communication skills and confidence that are vital to our program at SIS. From practicing dialogue to improving



Have fun with friend during excursion



Beautiful painting and presentation after the excursion

# **Parent Notifications**

A reminder to check your child's communication book **regularly** for messages and feedback from your child's teacher.

Students are required to wear correct school uniform including covered shoes. Sports shoes are to be worn for PE.

Please make sure your child arrives on time for school and is picked up when classes or clubs end. Our school gates open for students at 8am and lessons finish at 3.10 (International) 3.30 (Nursery) 4pm (English Integrated), Clubs at 4.50pm. The School will not be held responsible for students who stay in school before and after school hours on their own accord.

behavioral issues, role playing is a device teachers rely on to support their lessons in almost all subjects.

## Message from Ms Yen

Students actively participate in learning activities, complete the program of the semester I, achieved high result in Math, Vietnamese Exams. Students have improved a lot compared to the beginning of the school year. Students in Year 1 have been improved a lot in writing letters, they revealed that they were able to concentrate in lesson, more confident when participating in lesson games and express themselves in front of the class. They actively participate in excursion.

## **TET HOLIDAY**

SIS@HaLong school will be closed for the TET Holiday from the February 14 and will reopen February 26.

SIS@HaLong would like to wish all of our community a very happy and healthy TET and New Year.

Chúc Mừng Năm Mới!

Term 2 ends on Friday 19th January

Term 3 begins Monday 29th January

HALONG ROCKS AND ROLLS!

Susan Christiansen Principal