

**KINDERWORLD INTERNATIONAL KINDERGARTEN @ CIPUTRA** 

# NEWSLETTER APRIL 2018

# **Dear Parents**

What a busy month we have had at KIK Ciputra. The month started with Easter celebrations in tall the classes. The students were very excited to make lots of different Easter crafts.

Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of April was our Annual International Day Celebrations. The day was a lot of fun and the children enjoyed learning about different countries. They also enjoyed trying all the different food!

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April all the classes made Banh Troi a tradition celebration in Vietnam. The children were all very excited to make Banh Troi and take it home to share with their families.

The children were so excited to attend the international day celebrations at SIS Ciputra. What a wonderful morning of performances from cultures all around the world.

As you are now aware, our schools are going to be implementing a STEM program. What is STEM? STEM is science, technology, engineering and mathematics; it is an educational program which aims to foster inquiring minds, logical reaction and collaboration skills. Building STEM into our curriculum will help to prepare our students for a future in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). This is an exciting time for the schools, teachers and children.

# **STEM Implementation**

- 1. Senior Managers and key School Leaders attended the recent Google STEM conference in Singapore to learn about STEM implementation from successful schools in the region.
- 2. A range of STEM initiatives will be phased in to KIK and SIS over the coming academic year. These will include STEM Corners and STEM linked themes in kindergarten classrooms to guide learning activities. STEM clubs will be introduced at our schools as well as holding special STEM Days during the school year. Teachers will also provide STEM classroom learning activities that are multidisciplinary and designed to promote critical thinking and build problem solving skills.
- 3. KinderWorld is collaborating with our US partner, TinkRworks, to provide training for Expat and Vietnamese teachers.

Overall a fantastic month of learning and fun, I am sure all our children and teachers are looking forward to the term break. Please have a safe and restful break. Term 4 is going to be a very busy term with our water play program running for 6 weeks, and the end of school year concert.

Kind Regards,

Kelly Monos Head of Studies

#### News from the classes

### Honey Bees Nursery Integrated Class

To celebrate Cold Festival, Honey Bee Class learned how to make Banh Troi. All the students were very excited and loved making the Troi Cake. They followed all the steps, such as kneading dough, placing the sugar in the middle and turning it round. Having the opportunity to make the food with their own hands with was a wonderful experience for the children and they enjoyed it very much.







### **Butterfly Nursery/K1 International Class**

Over the past few weeks Nursery K1 International class have been growing closer as friends. They have all developed a very strong bond and enjoy working and playing together in and out of the classroom. Our Butterfly kids especially love working together to face new challenges and over come problems. They help each to grow and learn everyday.



### Panda K1 Integrated Class

We have had a really busy month with so many activities. The children were making their own floating cakes (Banh Troi). All of the children in Panda class had a great time together. The Vietnamese kids helped the foreigner kids made really beautiful floating cakes. Look at their faces ©. They were so happy to showed Ms.Tam and Ms. Phan their floating cakes. The children really enjoyed making the Banh Troi and felt such a sense of achievement.



### Penguin K2 Integrated Class

This month the Penguins were very excited to visit Vietnamese Ethnology. The children were very excited to learn about the ancient artifacts of Vietnams' culture and history. The children had a great time discussing all they had learnt on the way back to school.







#### **Monkeys K2 International Class**

Monkey Class has been learning about different countries and cultures. For our Vietnam topic, the children learnt how to make "Bo bia ngot" and decorated a "Non" (Vietnamese hat). We also visited the Museum of Vietnamese Ethnology and learnt about the different clothes and ethnic people living in Vietnam.



### **Tigers Prep International Class**

We started the month off by going on an excursion to the Aquarium in Time City. The children were able to learn about different types of fish, snakes, frogs, and turtles. They really loved watching the scuba divers clean the tanks and feed the fish! We continued to learn about different types of bodies of water such as oceans, rivers, lakes, and swamps. We also learned about the different animals that can be found in each. We finished up the month by learning about the water cycle. It was great fun learning a song to help us understand and remember how the water cycle works.





#### **Cubs Prep Integrated Class**

This month has been another busy month for the Cubs class; we celebrated Easter by listening to Easter stories and painting eggs and making Easter baskets. This month we have continued to learn all about water and the different types of water bodies – oceans, seas, lakes and rivers. The cubs class were very excited to visit the aquarium at Times City and see all the different underwater creatures. As the month continued we learnt about the water cycle and how important water is to every living thing on earth. The children were excited to perform some different science experiments 'walking rainbow' and making it rain through clouds.



#### **Important Dates**

Term Break: **25<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018** End of Year Concert: **16<sup>th</sup> June 2018** First Day of Term 4: **2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018** Last Day of Term 4: **29<sup>th</sup> June 2018**