



SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ VAN PHUC

# NEWSLETTER

MAY 2019

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## Message from the Principal

I am sometimes reminded of an old expression in English which goes like this, "April showers make for May flowers." It seems it is true for Hanoi, with the flowering of the trees throughout the city this month. The expression also has a somewhat deeper meaning though. That in life we sometimes have to endure the less comfortable times, the difficult moments, for us to enjoy the benefits in the future.

It seems that way for us at school this week, as we enter into the end of year exam sessions. Students are hot, uncomfortable and yet working very hard as they prepare for the testing just ahead. The renovation and construction phase is also about to commence, with its attendant noise and dust. Yet, without these inconveniences we would not have the new facilities in the new school year to enjoy. June is just around the corner, and then Summer Holidays! Hang in there, keep working, and the good things will come!



## Message from the Deputy Principal

May was a busy month at SIS Van Phuc, completing our Vietnamese and English exams, book fair, Children's Day, enrollments for the new school year, plans for exciting renovations and getting prepared for our concert. Please enjoy reading about all these great activities in our May Newsletter.

## Exams

The Vietnamese exams were held this month. Our dedicated Vietnamese teachers worked very hard to prepare our students to do their very best on these Exams. The English exams finished May 29th. You should have noticed an increase in homework and revision lessons as our students and teachers have been working hard to make sure all were ready for the SA 2 exams.

## Swimming

Swimming class sessions will begin the first week of June. Students will swim twice a week as this is part of the PE program. Those students with medical exemption certificates will remain at school supervised by a classroom teacher. Like PE, students must come to school prepared for the swim class. On PE days, all students must wear their appropriate swimsuit under their PE uniform. In addition, all students must bring a towel, water bottle, swim goggles and a swim cap.

## Concert

Our school concert will again be held at the NCC in Tu Liem on Sunday 16 June. Parents are asked to inform teachers as soon as possible if students will be absent for this special event.

Tickets will be available at school closer to the event. All children will attend a rehearsal on Friday, 14 June.



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## Book Fair

Special big thank you to all of our students and parents that supported our Book Fair. Our vendors Fahasa and Book Worm had many, many book titles for our students to choose from. The students had a great time visiting the book fair. Happy Reading!



## Children's Day

We had a great time celebrating our students for Children's Day at the August Cinema. The children enjoyed a movie and a beautiful desk clock courtesy of SIS.



## Yearbook

Grades 3, 4 and 5 students took part in the Yearbook cover contest. Students entered their own personalized artwork for our 2018-2019 Yearbook front and back cover. We were excited to see all of the beautiful artwork entered into the contest. We will announce the winners June 5th.



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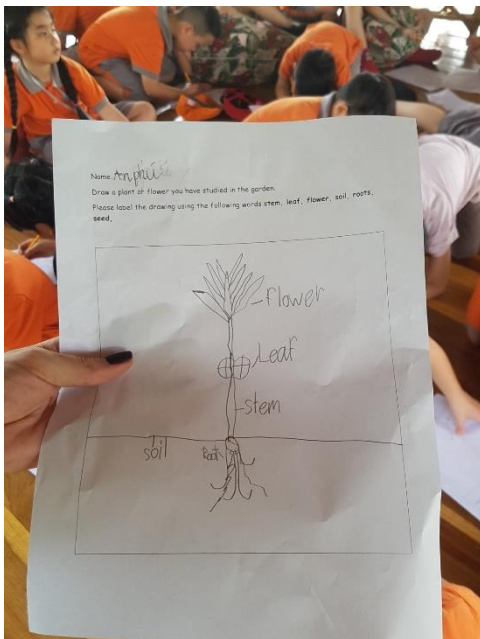
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## Excursions

Students from Prep, showed us what it really means to be global citizens as they helped to keep their environment clean. The Prep students helped to clean the park and was rewarded with a fun play time and picnic. We are proud of our young students already making a difference in the world in which they live.

On May 10 Grade 1 Integrated had the opportunity to visit the Karose Gardens. On this excursions students learned the value of group exploration as they explored plants and flowers in the gardens, then experienced a hide and seek adventure for different creatures in the garden.



## Upcoming Events

Yearbook cover winner announced	June 05
Rehearsal NCC Concert	June 14
Year 5 Graduation Honor Roll Assembly	June 16
Reports distribution	June 19
Last Day of School	June 24
	June 26 - June28
	June 28