

NEWSLETTER

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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.

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At Singapore International School we seek to nurture students who are:

- Academic Achievers
- Confident Communicators
- Critical Thinkers
- Technologically literate
- Active and Responsible citizens

Principal News

Dear Parents and Students,

We have come to the end of the school year and I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support over the past 12 months. The last month of school is always a very busy time full of events and no doubt the biggest event is our End-of-Year Concert – a three hour extravaganza around the theme of 'Lights, Camera, Action!'. Classes,



led by their form teachers, spent many weeks rehearsing and their hard work certainly paid off as it was a superb concert.

I would particularly like to thank Ms. Maria Batac (Concert Coordinator) who made the concert such a success. I would also like to thank all of our teachers who also contributed to making the concert so successful. The end of year concert is always a wonderful celebration of our community where our students get to demonstrate working as part of a team, working collaboratively and also using creative forms of expression. It was also a night of awards and I would like to congratulate all of our students who received awards in recognition of their academic, sporting or social contribution to our community.

Congratulations Academic Award Recipients for 2017 – 2018:

Awards Name	Student Name	Class	
Primary Awards			
Academic Champion	Oishi Jo	1L	
Academic Champion	Kim Seo Yul	2L	
Academic Champion	Lim Jee Hyun	3L	
Academic Champion	Kwon Tae Gyu	4L	
Academic Champion	Nguyen Vu Chau Anh	5L	



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Nguyen Minh Thao receiving A Level DUX Award from Mr. Stephan Tan Executive Director of KinderWorld Education Group



Middle School Academic Champions



High School Academic Champions



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Academic Champion – English	Hoang Cam Van Ha	1A	
Academic Champion – English	Doan Khanh Ha	2A	
Academic Champion – English	Doan Gia Bach	ЗА	
Academic Champion – English	To Ngoc My Uyen	4A	
Academic Champion – English	Dao Nhat Quang	5A	
Secondary Awards			
Academic Champion	Le Kim Khanh	6LA	
Academic Champion	Duong Hoang Tu	7LA	
Academic Champion	Pham Thao Hien	7LB	
Academic Champion	Nguyen Minh Ngoc	8LA	
Academic Champion	Nguyen Truong Phuc	8LB	
Academic Champion – English	Le Viet	6A	
Academic Champion – English	Nguyen Hoang Khoi Nguyen	6B	
Academic Champion – English	Ngo Linh Trang	6C	
Academic Champion – English	Doan Gia Khang	7A	
Academic Champion – English	To Vu Hieu Minh	7B	
Academic Champion – English	Nguyen Bao Linh	7C	
Academic Champion – English	Le Khanh An	8A	
Academic Champion – English	Khuat Nguyen Duy Anh	8B	
Academic Champion – English	Dang Nga Mi	8C	
Academic Champion – English	To Nhat Duy	9A	
High School Awards			
Academic Champion	Pham Hoang Minh Khue	IGCSE1A	
Academic Champion	Vu Ngoc Hien Anh	IGCSE1B	
Academic Champion	Dao Phan Anh	IGCSE1C	
Academic Champion	Tran Mai Khanh	IGCSE1D	
Academic Champion	Tran Quynh Anh	IGCSE2A	
Academic Champion	Shrija Pathak	IGCSE2B	
Academic Champion	Lee Jong In	AS Level	
Sport Awards			
Junior Primary Sport Award	Nguyen Phuc Nguyen Bao	2A	
Senior Primary Sport Award	Bae Hyeong Jun	5L	
Junior Secondary Sport Award	Hoang Anh Chi	8A	
Senior Secondary Sport Award	Dao Phan Anh	IGCSE1C	

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Mr. Blood presenting Primary International Students "Merit Award" for excellent results on their Semester 2 reports



Mr. Blood presenting Primary Integrated Students "Merit Award" for excellent results on their Semester 2 reports



Mr. Blood presenting Y6 International Students "Merit Award" for excellent results on their Semester 2 reports

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Citizenship Awards			
Junior Citizenship Award	Kieu Huu Cat	5L	
Senior Citizenship Award	Hoang Anh Chi	8A	
Dux Awards			
A Level Dux	Nguyen Minh Thao	A Level	
GAC Dux	Kim Byung Jin	GAC	

Graduating Students for 2017 – 2018:

A Level Choi Mvuna Kvu Chun Hoser Hoang Ha My Nguyen Minh Thao Syeda Meharbash Kashif **GAC** Chen Hui Jie Kim Byung Jin Kim Ji Seok

Phase 2 of Gamuda Gardens

I am pleased to inform you that Phase 2 of Gamuda Gardens will be completed on June 29 and ready for the commencement of the new school year. The new building will provide for a Kindergarten and new classrooms and facilities for SVIS. The school now has a 25 metre swimming pool and a small pool for Kindergarten students. I am sure that our students will enjoy the new facilities and in particular the swimming pools.

From the commencement of the new school year, Gamuda Gardens will cater for students from Pre-nursery to Year 12 on the one campus. Students will be able to complete all of their schooling years in a modern, purpose built school in one location.

Report Collection

Semester 2 reports are available for parents to collect from the school from June 30. If you have not yet collected your child's report, please visit our school office.

I would like to thank all of the students and parents who make our school great, and I hope that you enjoyed 2017 – 2018 as much as I have. Please enjoy the summer break and school will commence on August 6, 2018.

Regards, Shane Blood

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Mr. Blood presenting Y7 International Students "Merit Award" for excellent results on their Semester 2 reports



Mr. Blood presenting Y8 International Students "Merit Award" for excellent results on their Semester 2 reports



Mr. Blood presenting Integrated Secondary Students "Merit Award" for excellent results on their Semester 2 reports



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Message from Deputy Principal

Dear Parents and Students,

Over the last 6 years it has been a great pleasure for me to work at SIS in Hanoi, first at Van Phuc, then at Ciputra and for the last three school years at Gamuda. This experience has been an extraordinarily positive one for me as I have been able to watch first hands as our students and the school itself have grown over the years and I am so proud



to see the students that I taught and worked with in our primary schools achieving great levels of success in middle and high school.

I am particularly proud of the progress I have seen made Gamuda Gardens since the school opened during the 2015-2016 school year. Since that time not only has the school grown, but there has also been a huge growth in the opportunities offered to our students through our school sports and after school activities programs which have grown exponentially over the past two school years. This growth is a credit to both our passionate teachers involved in the clubs and the many students who have been very keen to challenge themselves and try new things.

In addition to the successes in sports and clubs, I have also been very proud to see the growth and improvement of school events over the past several years. These included our biggest and most successful Christmas Charity Fair yet in December as well as our first ever International Day in April. At both events our students displayed their ingenuity and work ethic to put on days for everyone involved. We were also very happy to welcome our school parents to these events and in particular the Korean Moms group who put together wonderful foods and games for our school community to enjoy at these events.

Although I am leaving SIS Gamuda to return to the US after this school year, the lasting memories and relationships that I have built in my time here will stay with me forever. I wish to thanks all the students, teachers and parents who have helped make my time here so wonderful. I wish you all the best in the future and hope to hear of your continued success in the coming years.

Regards,
John Shoulders

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Mr. Blood presenting IGCSE 1 Students "Merit Award" for excellent results on their Semester 2 reports



Dr. Noel and Md. Hien presenting SVIS Primary Students "Merit Award" for excellent results in school year 2017-2018



Mr. Stokes, Md. Nghi and Ms. Huyen Anh presenting SVIS Secondary Students "Merit Award" for excellent results in school year 2017-2018



Message from Guidance Officer

Dear Parents and Students,

With this year coming to a close it is a good time for us to reflect on what we have learned as well as to think about all the things we would like to achieve for the coming school year.

Maybe there is a specific subject that you know you can improve on if you spent the time revising - or a new skill



that you would like to learn. Universities and employers look to hire individuals that have put themselves in new and challenging situations as this is often where out skills and talents are tested. The new school year offers us the ability to have a fresh start and to approach things in a new way and it is important that we make the best of this opportunity.

I would like to wish all of our students a restful and relaxing holiday. I look forward to starting the 2018 -2019 school year with you!

Regards, **Michael Ogden**

Message from Head of Vietnamese Studies

Dear Parents, Colleagues and Students,

We have wrapped up the school year 2017 - 2018 with pride and nostalgia.

SVIS Management Board is pleased to inform you of the students' achievements in school year 2017 - 2018 as follows:

Academic and Conduct Ranking

- **Primary** (total: 98 students)
- 100% of the students were certified to

have completed the program in 3 aspects: Academics, Abilities and Qualities.

- 42 students were awarded a Certificate of Merit at the end of the school year for achieving excellent results in all subjects or specific subjects.
- **Secondary** (total: 154 students)
- Academic ranking: Very good 44.29%; Good: 44.29%;

Satisfactory: 11.4%

- Conduct ranking: Very good: 93,52%; Good: 6,48%



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SIS Teachers and Students raised total 39.000.000 VND for Duy Tien War Invalids Caring Centre



SIS Teacher and Students with the veterans at Duy Tien War Invalids Caring Centre



SIS Teachers and Students giving gifts to one of the veterans at Duy Tien War Invalids Caring Centre



- 136 students were awarded a Certificate of Merit at the end of the school vear.
- 11 excellent students achieved the GPA of 9,2 and up.
- Congratulations to Hoang Anh Chi who came 3rd place in the nationwide TOEFL JUNIOR CHALLENGE for secondary students. I would also like to give a special mention to Hoang Anh Chi for achieving the outstanding GPA of 9,7/10.

2. Other educational activities

- Along with academic goals, SIS students actively participated in excursions, sport and charity programmes.
- SVIS students joined with SIS students from different campuses in enthusiastically supporting Operation Smile and Blue Dragon Foundation throughout the school year.
- On the occasion of the War Invalids and Martyrs Day (27/7/1947 -27/7/2018), with the tradition of gratitude to the soldiers who fought and sacrificed their lives for the independence and freedom of our country, all of the students, teachers and staff in the school raised 39.000.000 VND for Duy Tien War Invalids Caring Centre in Ha Nam. We had a meaningful trip to visit and give gifts to the veterans at Duy Tien War Invalids Caring Centre on June 21, 2018.
- Our school was awarded the Certificate of Merit by the People's Committee of Hoang Mai District with outstanding achievements in medical work in the school year 2016 - 2017. In the school year 2017- 2018, we have been highly evaluated for successful school medical work by Hoang Mai Medical Center.
- Thank you to all teachers and students for your dedication and commitment in teaching and learning. A special thank is due to the parents who have always supported and shared with the school in order to educate the students to develop comprehensively in both knowledge and good qualities.

We are proud of your effort and achievements! Keep up the good work in the school year 2018 - 2019!

I wish you all a happy relaxing summer vacation with your beloved ones.

Regards. **Duong Thanh Nghi**



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End of Year Concert Students' Performances



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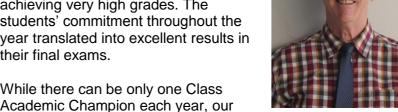
End of Year Concert Students' Performances



Message from Head of Studies (Primary)

Dear Parents and Students,

The end-of-year exams produced very pleasing outcomes with many students achieving very high grades. The students' commitment throughout the vear translated into excellent results in their final exams.



Primary School has produced many champions and stars who have shone in other ways as well. The results are testimony to the concerted effort of our teachers who constantly strive for the highest quality of education and citizenship at our school. Supportive parents encouraging children to do their best also have played a major role in producing quality learning outcomes in the Primary School this year.

The end-of-year concert was also an exciting event and it was great to see so many families and friends enjoying our children's performances.

We are pleased to say that SIS Primary School @Gamuda Gardens is growing strongly and the year ahead bodes well for many new, world-class teaching and learning opportunities. We look forward to seeing you next year, starting with a smile and a wave and a welcome for our new students.

Just a guick reminder for parents: Whatever your child is doing over the holidays, talk to him/her about it. Let your child know that you are interested in what is happening and that you genuinely care about his /her activities. Take the time to invest some extra attention and interest in your child's day by talking together. Children learn valuable and lasting lessons about respect, tolerance and empathy via your modelling and interaction with them.

Finally, on behalf of all our hard working and dedicated Primary School teachers, have a happy and enjoyable holiday.

Regards,

Dr. Noel Geoghegan



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End of Year Concert Students' Performances



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End of Year Concert Students' Performances– The Finale



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Message from Head of Studies (Secondary)

Dear Parents and Students,

As the year comes to a close, I would like to thank you for all of your effort and support this year.

I would like to congratulate all of our students on a fantastic year with lots of success stories. I wish you all have an amazing summer holiday. To those students that are coming back to us next



year, I wish you a great holiday and hope that you come back refreshed and ready to go again. To those who are leaving us, good luck in the future.

I am sure you will all agree that our students were fantastic in the concert and provided a great show. It was a fantastic way to close the school year and create great memories.

Regards, Sean Stokes

Message from Head of Studies (High School)

Dear Parents and Students,

As the year finally comes to a close, I would like to say how proud I am of all the students who sat through seven weeks of Cambridge exams this year. It is a very stressful time and they really worked hard and behaved as expected. Congratulations to the IGCSE, AS and A level students! The results for these exams will be announced on August 14th of this year. So for now we can wait and enjoy a relaxing summer holiday.



Congratulations to all the graduating students who are off to many different countries to further pursue education and/or career. The GAC and A Level students have worked very hard this year and I am excited to see what their futures hold.

Finally, it has been a great year for me as Head of Studies. I have really enjoyed the new position and look forward to bringing new ideas and developed skills to the job next year. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer holiday and see you in August!

Regards, Erin Roetker

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