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# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

April celebrated the start of term 4 along with a busy series of events. Continuing with our celebrations of 25 years of KinderWorld in Vietnam, pupils and staff alike stepped into the past (and future!) to celebrate Travel Back in Time Day with creative costumes and a wide range of imaginative activities, celebrating how far KinderWorld has come.

We also celebrated Cold Food Day, with children making and tasting traditional banh troi and banh chay, deepening their appreciation for Vietnamese culture. Later, Earth Day was marked both in class and during our Open Day for prospective families.

Behind the scenes (and on stage!), the children have also been busy preparing for our upcoming concert, which promises to be a truly special event. This year's performance will be a collaborative celebration between KinderWorld @ Hanoi Towers and SIS @ Ciputra, held at the impressive National Convention Centre (NCC) on Tuesday, 17th June. Some classes are even joining in a joint dance performance with their Ciputra friends providing an exciting opportunity for connection and teamwork!

Summer School registration is now open, with a fresh theme and new activities to look forward to - please sign up at the school office.

Looking ahead to May, we'll be starting our much-anticipated 2.5-metre KinderWorld Tower Project. Each member of our KinderWorld community will contribute a personalised block featuring a reflection or message about their experience at KinderWorld. Together, these will be used to build a towering symbol of our community spirit and shared journey - another meaningful way to celebrate KinderWorld's 25th anniversary.

As always, thank you for your continued support. We look forward to another wonderful month of growth, celebration, and connection.

Stephanie C. Mills  
Head of Kindergarten

## Upcoming Important Dates:

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May:** Liberation and Labour days

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** Open day (for new students)

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May:** International Cultural Day

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:** Childrens Day



# News around the Classrooms

## PHYSICAL EXPLORATION IN NURSERY CLASS

The International Nursery Class had an exciting trip to My Gym - an indoor play centre specialising in movement, music, and acrobatics



which enables the children to explore freely, use their imagination, and express their creativity. Opportunities like these are vital in early childhood, as they allow learners to experience their surroundings within safe limits.



This fosters self-awareness, strengthens problem-solving skills, and nurtures independence and bravery.

In Kitten class, we embrace a similar approach by providing plenty of sensory and play-based learning experiences. While it may sometimes look like the children are simply getting messy and having fun, research consistently highlights the benefits of learning through play. These hands-on experiences help children engage with their environment in meaningful ways, supporting their overall development.

Play and exploration are essential for holistic growth - physically, emotionally, socially, and cognitively. By



allowing children to investigate the world through active, sensory-rich experiences, we lay the foundation for a lifelong love of learning.

## CELEBRATING COLD FOOD DAY IN K1



To celebrate Han Thuc (Cold Food) Festival, the children enjoyed making banh troi and banh chay (white sticky rice

balls). The rice flour dough for each dessert is the same, but the filling is different. The students enjoyed rolling and shaping the dough around the dark brown sugar that is in the centre of the banh troi.

Marking festivals and celebrations like Cold Food Day give the children not only the opportunity to explore their own culture, but also to learn to appreciate other cultures and traditions. These lessons are part of our school-wide learner goals, as well as a fun and rewarding activity for the children to share.



After the teachers cooked the banh troi and banh chay, the students enjoyed the results of their hard work!



### GRAND OPENING OF PRE-NURSERY PUPPY CLASS

We are delighted to share that the Pre-Nursery Puppy Class officially began in March, and what a joyful start it has been! The first few



weeks have been filled with smiles, laughter, and a growing sense of curiosity as our youngest learners settle into their new environment.

It is amazing to witness the children's development in such a short time - forming early friendships, gaining independence, and building the foundations for a lifelong love of learning.



The Puppy Class is already becoming more familiar and confident with the daily school routine. From arriving in the morning to participating in group activities, the children are beginning to

understand the structure of the day and are showing wonderful adaptability. Learning to play, share, and communicate with peers has been a major focus, and we are proud of the positive social skills the children are developing.

Each day is rich with hands-on learning experiences designed to engage their natural curiosity.

It has been a wonderful start for the Puppy Class, and we look forward to continuing this learning journey together - supporting each child as they grow in confidence, capability, and curiosity each day.



### NURSERY SPLASHING IN WATER PLAY



As we transition into the warmer summer season, our Bunny Class has shifted from the winter focus on physical skill development at

the American Club to playful exploration of water-based learning activities. The children have a fantastic time each week engaging in carefully planned water play sessions, designed not just for fun - but also to support a wide range of early learning goals.

Beyond physical development, water play offers rich sensory learning experiences, allowing children to



explore temperature, texture, and cause and effect. The splashes, streams, and bubbles provide endless opportunities for inquiry and discovery - essential building blocks of scientific thinking at this age.

Perhaps most importantly, water play also encourages social interaction and communication through sharing tools, taking turns and working collaboratively. They learn to build friendships, cooperation skills and develop the confidence to express themselves in a group setting.

These weekly sessions thus offer a meaningful and memorable way to learn through play.



**25-YEAR TRAVEL BACK IN TIME CELEBRATIONS**



To mark the 25th anniversary of KinderWorld in Vietnam, our Kindergarten hosted Travel Back in Time Day. Each classroom represented a different

historical era, and pupils came dressed in creative costumes reflecting the time period of their class. From prehistoric dinosaurs to futuristic astronauts, the whole school was filled with excitement, colour, and discovery!

This cross-curricular event gave children the opportunity to explore the concept of time in a meaningful way, developing their understanding of history, science, and creativity through experiential learning. Pupils worked collaboratively, moving between classrooms to engage in a wide variety of activities.

In the Dinosaur Room, children learned about the prehistoric world, carefully “rescuing” dinosaurs frozen in ice and learning about their habitats. The Greek-inspired room offered opportunities to



sculpt tin foil Olympic statues, supporting fine motor skills. In the Medieval Room, pupils explored life in castles, created their own shields, and role-played as knights building both storytelling and social-emotional skills.



In the Future Room, children dressed as astronauts and imagined life in space, even taking part in a “moonwalk” experience that allowed them to think critically and creatively about the future.

**CHICK CLASS ON THE MOVE!**

Our Physical Education (PE) programme is an exciting part of each week, giving our Chick Class children the chance to explore movement in fun and meaningful ways. Designed to be progressive and developmentally appropriate, our PE curriculum introduces new challenges step by step - helping children to build strength, coordination, and confidence over time.



Throughout the term, our young learners have been engaged in a variety of physical activities tailored to their growing abilities. Each session builds on the last, encouraging children to practise familiar skills while being gently introduced to new ones.

In earlier sessions, we explored balance and coordination using big balls - jumping, rolling, and bouncing with growing confidence. As the children became more familiar with moving their bodies in space, we introduced dynamic group games using our colourful big bag, which helped promote teamwork, spatial awareness, and creative movement.

More recently, Chick Class has been enjoying the challenge of learning basic basketball skills. Dribbling, passing, and shooting are not only fun but also fantastic for hand-eye coordination and developing focus and control. We’ve seen wonderful progress as children begin to work together, communicate, and cheer one another on to develop teamwork.

