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Year 2 displays their Anti-Bullying Poster



IGCSE students, Sarah and Anne hold up the winning posters

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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.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear SIS families and friends,

April WASC Visit at SIS Schools

In mid-April the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) will visit all of our SIS schools in Vietnam. They will be looking specifically at our Schoolwide Action Plan (SWAP) and our follow-up actions since their last visit. Mr. Regan, the teachers, and I have been working hard on our accreditation and we would be glad to speak with you if you have any questions.

Our school improvement plan has four main goals:

Goal 1: Strengthening the Professional Development Program to support the school wide learner goals and individual professional goals of teachers.

Goal 2: Developing a shared understanding of the School wide Learner Goals.

Goal 3: Developing standard rubrics to measure the success of students in meeting the SLGs and a system of reporting the results to the community.

Goal 4: Refining and implementing curricular coordination to support all teachers in their work both vertically and horizontally within all subject areas.

Why is accreditation important?

- ✓ A guarantee to the public that the school is a trustworthy place of learning.
- ✓ It validates the integrity of the school's program and transcripts.
- ✓ It affirms that the school meets standards of quality established by the international school community.
- ✓ It fosters the ongoing improvement of the school's programs and operations to support student learning.
- ✓ It provides valuable insight from fellow educators visiting the school.
- ✓ Ultimately we want to foster a culture of <u>on-going</u> <u>reflection and improvement</u>.

Kind regards, MaryKay Gudkova

Principal

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thursday April 6-KING HUNG ANNIVERSARY (school closed)
- Thursday 13th- Friday 14th April-DIVERSITY OF BINH DUONG EXHIBITION
- Friday April 21-LAST DAY OF TERM 3
- Monday May 1st-LABOUR DAY (school closed)
- Tuesday May 2nd-OFF IN LIEU OF LIBERATION DAY (school closed)
- Wednesday May 3rd-FIRST DAY OF TERM 4



Some Year 7 & 8 students visited a local Binh Duong

Pottery factory as part of their Social Studies unit

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ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

During Week 4 of Term 3, all students at SIS took part in Anti-Bullying Week. Over the course of the week, children learned what bullying is, what they should do if someone is bullying them and participated in competitions and activities to spread the word that BULLYING IS NOT OKAY. One of the highlights was the Poster Competition. *Please take a look at the winning posters in the Block A lobby.*

FACEBOOK HAS ARRIVED!

School Management of KinderWorld International Kindergarten and Singapore International School at Binh Duong New City is pleased to announce to you the official Facebook page of our school as below:

For KIK students:

https://www.facebook.com/KinderWorld.KIK

For SIS students:

https://www.facebook.com/siskinderworld/?fref=ts

To strengthen the collaboration between family and the school for the education quality of the children, we have built a communication channel through social networking app with the parents.

Accordingly, via this Official Facebook page, parents can follow your children activities as well as the school announcements.

We hope for your support and cooperation to make this communicative interaction more efficient by:

1. Like Fanpage to follow your child's activities in school.

2. Following function will be turned on automatically, **select "See first"** to prioritize information from the Facebook page to appear on top of your News Feed.

YEAR 7 & 8 SOCIAL STUDIES PROJECT

On April 13th and 14th the Year 7 and 8 Social Studies groups will hold an exhibition to celebrate the diversity and development of Binh Duong Province. We are enjoying reading the questionnaires you have sent in and visiting local industries in preparation for this. Recently we visited the Cuong Phat potteries and the lacquer ware village at Xa Tuong Binh Hiep. We also received a presentation from Becamex Tokyu outlining the planned development of Binh Duong New City. The Year 7 and 8 students warmly invite all parents to visit the exhibition in the Multi-Purpose Hall here at SIS.

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SCHOOL WIDE LEARNER GOALS

KinderWorld is continuing to improve how we measure student's achievement and as part of this process the Singapore International School has SCHOOL WIDE LEARNER GOALS that all students can work towards.

The SCHOOL WIDE LEARNER GOALS or SLG's for short and help teachers and students explicitly know what they are aiming for throughout the year. Here is a list of what we are working towards at SIS@BDNC;

Singapore International Schools seek to nurture:

- 1. Academic Achievers who:
- a. Meet or exceed year level expectations
- b. Demonstrate academic growth
- c. Strive for continuous improvement
- 2. Confident communicators who:
- a. Demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening
- b. Work collaboratively with others
- c. Use creative forms of expression
- 3. Critical Thinkers who:
- a. Apply rational, higher order thinking skills
- 4. Technologically literate students who:
- a. Effectively use technology to access, organize, evaluate, create and communicate information
- b. Understand responsible use of social media, communication and networking tools
- 5. Active and Responsible citizens who:
- a. Understand and respect their own and other cultures
- b. Demonstrate good citizenship and social responsibility through serving others
- c. Understand the importance of an active and healthy lifestyle
- d. Understand and demonstrates a set of universal virtues



Pre-school celebrates International Women's Day.



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