



SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ BINH DUONG NEW CITY

# NEWSLETTER

APRIL –2025

## 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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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 4!

It's hard to believe we're approaching the end of the 2024–25 academic year. Term 4 is always a busy and exciting time, and I'd like to take this opportunity to highlight a few important events coming up:

### **Semester 2 Examinations**

End-of-semester examinations for both the Integrated and International Study Programs will take place this term.

Cambridge International Examinations will also be held during this period.

Teachers will continue to share dates and updates with students and families throughout the term. Please refer to previous class newsletters and the TOS which share the examination dates and times.

### **End-of-Year Reports**

Reports will be sent home during the final week of Term 4.

Class teachers will provide reminders and updates through the weekly class newsletters.

### **School Concert**

Our end-of-year school concert will be held at the BDNC Exhibition Centre on 26 June 2025, the second last day of the academic year, at 1.30 pm.

Further information will be shared by class teachers over the course of the term concerning transportation to the hall, costume information and associated costs.

As in previous years, students will meet their teachers at the hall before the concert begins.

If you require any additional information, please don't hesitate to contact the school office or your child's classroom teacher.

Yours in learning,

Mr. Mark



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## PRIMARY SCHOOL REPORT

April has been a busy month at SIS BDNC!

On the 4th of April, the last day of Term 3, we held a STEM Day at school. Learners participated in a variety of activities in their house teams. This was a house competition where students could earn points for their house, with a strong focus on participation. Our students had lots of fun competing in the challenges, and Hydra came out on top. Thank you to the committee for organizing this event — well done, everyone!

The annual Spelling Bee took place on Friday, the 18th of April. Hoang Anh Viet (Y4A) and Colin Khang Rogers (Y3LA) represented our school in the national competition against other campuses. This event was held online, and their classes were able to watch the competition live. They both tried their best, and we are very proud of them. Thank you to everyone who supported these learners.



After the term break, from the 21st to the 25th of April, we celebrated Literacy Week. The focus was on reading and literature, with the theme: “*Did you know?*” Classes built “Trees of Knowledge” and decorated them with interesting facts they discovered throughout the week. A few fun activities were organized, including Drop Everything and Read and Find Wally.

The importance of reading comprehension was also emphasized. On Friday the 25th of April, learners had the chance to dress up as their favourite book characters. Thank you to the committee for organizing this exciting event!

Week 3 was a short week due to public holidays and the Reunification Day celebrations.

Learners, teachers, and choreographers are now working hard on their End of Year Concert performances — one of the highlights of the school year.

Most classes have also started with the final units of this semester’s work, as we prepare to write the MOET and SIS exams from Week 5 onwards. I wish everyone well with their preparation.

A big thank you to everyone for supporting our learners.

Kind and best regards,  
Philip van der Walt



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## HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Dear Parents,

As we move further into the term, the school has very quickly found its rhythm, and the campus is buzzing with energy and activity. It is heartening to see both staff and students fully engaged in a wide range of initiatives and events.

Our Student Council (STUCO) is currently working on an exciting new recycling initiative, encouraging the whole school community to think more sustainably. At the same time, early dance and other rehearsals are well underway as we prepare for the much-anticipated school concert later this term.

For our IGCSE and AS-level students, this is a crucial time as they make their final preparations for their upcoming external exams. These assessments are just around the corner, and students are hard at work, balancing revision with regular classroom learning. We encourage them to stay focused and make use of all the support available.

Looking back, we recently celebrated a very successful STEM Day on 4 April. The day was filled with innovation, teamwork, and discovery, and it concluded with an exciting STEM awards assembly, where the house spirit of our school was clearly on display. Well done to all students and staff who contributed to making the day such a success.

We are currently in the midst of a vibrant Literacy Week, with activities including our Tree of Knowledge, DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) sessions, a book swap, and the fun Character Dress-up Day. These activities have brought a fresh energy to our appreciation of reading and learning.

A special congratulations is in order for Christin Quek Ngoc Bang Nhi, who achieved an outstanding victory by becoming the National Winner of the Secondary School Division at the National Spelling Bee Competition held on 18 April. This is an incredible accomplishment and a proud moment for our school, adding to her list of notable achievements.

As we look ahead, May is very much "exam month", and we would like to wish all our students the very best. We hope their results reflect the hard work and dedication they have shown throughout the year

Best regards,

Lizelle MacLachlan

Head of Studies – Secondary & High School



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## INTEGRATED SCHOOL REPORT

From 12 May 2025 to 16 May 2025, Year 1 to Year 8's students will have their final exam. Most of our students are working hard at preparing for these exams. We wish them well and hope for the best marks possible.

This month, our school has held the STEM DAY and READING WEEK. Our students had a great time during these activities. I would like to share some lovely photos.

Ms. Kim Tri.



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## STEM UPDATE

This month, students across all year levels have started new coding and robotics projects as we begin our final term. It's been great to see their excitement and creativity in action!

We also celebrated a very successful STEM Day with the whole school. The theme was Earth Day, and students took part in fun, hands-on activities that helped them learn about sustainability and how science and technology can protect our planet.

We're proud of all the great learning happening in STEM and look forward to an exciting end to the year.

Warm regards,  
Jolin Richardson  
STEM Coordinator





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## CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS UPDATE – PHASE 3

Dear Parents,

Following our previous newsletter regarding the commencement of Phase 3 construction at Singapore International School (SIS) – Binh Duong New City, we are pleased to provide you with the latest updates on the project's progress.

The construction is currently on schedule with visible advancements. The foundation work is nearing completion, paving the way for the next stages of construction. Additionally, the concrete columns are being poured and reinforced to ensure structural stability.

The Project Management Team and contractors are working closely together to ensure construction quality and safety while strictly adhering to the project timeline. The new facilities are expected to be completed on time and ready for use in the 2025–2026 academic year.

We believe this new phase will offer a modern and inspiring learning environment that enhances the educational experience for our students. The school will continue to keep you updated as we move forward toward welcoming a spacious and high-quality learning space.

