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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,

As another successful year draws to an end, I would like to congratulate our students on the progress made this academic year. It was a pleasure to read and sign everyone's reports. I would encourage our students to continue their excellent progress by reading each day during the July holidays.

We want to say a very special farewell to families and teachers who are moving to new schools or locations. It has been a joy to know you and we wish you all the best. You will be missed!

A special thank you to all of our teachers and staff for their hard work and dedication to our students. Your great contribution is truly appreciated.

School will begin for students on Monday, August 7th. Due to the number of families moving in and out of SIS@BDNC over the summer, class lists will be revised up until the beginning of school, as this all depends on student enrolment. Thank you for your understanding.

Kind regards, MaryKay Gudkova

Principal

ENGLISH COMPETITION

We are very happy to announce that Doan Tu Uyen of Year 4 Integrated is the 2017 Olympic English champion of Binh Duong. Over 1000 students competed in this year's competition at Binh Nham Primary School in Binh Duong with Tu Uyen awarded as the Champion of Binh Duong with the highest score.

Tu Uyen began at SIS BDNC when the school was still located at the Canary Campus in Lai Tieu 7 years ago. We are extremely pleased to see her diligence and focus find success outside of our school walls. Special thanks also go out to Ms. Hoang Nhat Thao and Mr. Reuben Schiff for their work as Tu Uyen's classroom and English teachers.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 30th-LAST DAY OF TERM 4
- August 7th-FIRST DAY OF TERM 1





Children Day

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ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS AND MERIT AWARD WINNERS

Singapore International School at Binh Duong New City extends its congratulations to this year's Academic Champions. Yu Mei and Tuyet Ngoc, Year 1. Imboon and Minh Dang, Year 2. Yo Yo and Tu Nhu, Year 3. My Thy and Tu Uyen, Year 4. Bao Tin* and Uyen Trang, Year 5. Lam Anh and Bao Nhu, Year 6. Truc Vy*, Year 7, Thanh Vy* and Anh Phuong* Year 8.

*absent from photo



Congratulations to our Merit Award winners who averaged over 90% in their core subjects for the year;

Nguyen Mai Khoi, Lin Hsin Jo, Zhang ZiKang, Zhu ZiXi, Dang Huynh Gia Bao, Khuc Lan Anh and Nguyen Tieu Ha.

Finally, we would also like to acknowledge the effort of all students who completed exams. We know that you studied hard and did your best.

END OF YEAR CONCERT

Thank you to all who attended the End of Year Concert and made it such a special night. Congratulations to the award winners and Prep graduates. Special thanks to Mr Seth for organizing the event. A DVD of the night will be available in the new academic year.

NEW STAFF UPDATE AND FAREWELLS

Marion Castro from the UK, will teach in primary. She holds a National Professional Qualification for Headship from National College for School Leadership, a Catholic Certificate in Religious Education from Catholic Diocese of Lancaster, a PGCE in Primary Education from University of Manchester, and a B. Sc. Hons (3rd

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Children of all ages had a great Children's Day!

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class) in Combined Studies - Mathematics and European Studies with German from UMIST, UK. She is fully bilingual, and has been a teacher and a Deputy Principal in the UK and Columbia.

Lilit Kevorkyan, originally from Armenia, is a highly educated awardwinning Russia-trained solo and collaborative musician and pedagogue, entitled to teach Master's in Music degree candidates. She will teach music. As one of the most prominent graduates of a top music school, she possesses in-depth knowledge of theory and history of music, and holds a full range of professional piano repertoire, from baroque to contemporary. As an academic pedagogue, she has taught students who have won international competitions. Lilit has lived and worked in various countries and has excellent teaching skills.

Joan Hope Elgincolin is a qualified teacher, originally from the Philippines and will be teaching in preschool. She has been teaching in Bangkok (including the Thai-Singapore International School). Joan is talented, out-going, and enthusiastic. She has also been a music and choral director, and a violin orchestra member. She has her BA, MBA, and is currently working on her PhD in communications.

With sadness we say goodbye to some our teachers who are moving to new locations. Thank you Mr. Seth, Ms. Rae, Ms. Charlotte, Ms. Wesley, Ms. Marcie, Ms Laura and Dr. Douthitt for your fine contribution to SIS. Your long hours, your devotion and care will not be forgotten. We wish you many blessings on your next journey.

Finally, with much sadness, we farewell our Head of Vietnamese, Ms Lan, after eight years of service to SIS@BDNC. Good luck for the future, Ms Lan.

YEAR 10 STUDENT WINS SCHOLARSHIP

SIS BDNC is very pleased to announce that Vo Nguyen Thai Son, of IGCSE 2, is the winner of the Summer Immersion Program Scholarship Competition hosted by Elmhurst College in Chicago, USA. Thai Son was awarded the scholarship for his hard work, creativity, and critical thought that was displayed in his video and essay addressing the topic, "How Vietnam's Youth Can Benefit from Mobile Learning". The Elmhurst College 4-week Summer Immersion program offers Thai Son the chance to experience life and learning while earning college credit from a top-ranked, selective university in the United States. Thai Son's Summer Immersion scholarship will also award a minimum \$8,000 USD academic scholarship towards his bachelor's degree.

Congratulations Thai Son!

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