



## 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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*Year 2 making Mooncakes*



*Working hard together!*

### Message from the Principal – Ms. Susan Chritiansen

#### Mid -Autumn Festival

Students of SIS@Halong were involved in a range of fun and creative activities on October 3<sup>rd</sup> to celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival. Mooncakes were made by each class and then presented with information by class representatives. A judging panel voted for the best Mooncakes based on presentation and teamwork. Year 2 made the winning Mooncakes, however, all students put in 100% effort and all deserved to be winners! Students also watched and presented short performances and the finale was the traditional Lion Dance, enjoyed by all.

#### Excursions

Our school's first excursion of the year took place in the last week of term and it was a great success. Students in Years 2 to 6 travelled to Bai Chay beach after learning about the effects of pollution and rubbish on the environment, specifically on the fragile beauty of Halong Bay. Students were equipped with gloves, bags and tongs and spent their time working together, picking up rubbish from the shoreline. Thank you to Ms Yen and the Vietnamese teachers for organising this valuable experience.

#### KIK Playroom

SIS@Halong now has a functioning KIK indoor playroom and this will contribute to the experiential learning and physical development of our KIK students.

#### Assessment and SIS@Halong Phase 2 development information Session

SIS@Halong will be providing an information session on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November from 8.30am, for parents to hear about how we assess students and about the exams that students from Year 1 to 6 will take when they return from the Christmas break. At this time, representatives from the KinderWorld Operations Team will also be on site to present an update of the school's second phase of development. We look forward to your attendance.



*Helping each other*



*Group Work in Year 2.*



*The excited audience!*



*K2 in action!*

### **Message from Ms. Yen – Deputy Head of Vietnamese Study**

The students finished term 1 and have made progress in learning as well as behavior. They know how to cooperate in group learning and how to solve problems together.

The clubs still attract students to participate.

Students were very interested in the "Environmental Protection" programme. Through this activity student have more knowledge about environmental protection. They also learnt team work when doing the same task.

The 3rd and 4th grade students are enrolled in the Ho Chi Minh Young Pioneer, and they will participate in thematic activities. Students are involved in sex education, which provide them with the knowledge of gender, self-control, and self-protection. The students will also be participating in Halloween day in November 2017.

For the past month, we received feedbacks of some parents related to cooperation between home teacher and parents. We highly appreciated that and hope to get more feedbacks from parents to help bring children a better education environment.

In November, in addition to maintaining a steady stream of teaching and learning activities, the school will organize a number of activities for students including: music festival; written contest (in English, Vietnamese), drawing (tearing pictures) about the school, friends, teachers; tour around city of Ha Long; visiting Hoanh Bo farm.

### **Parent Notifications**

**A reminder to check your child's communication book regularly for messages and feedback from your child's teacher.**

**Our morning bell will now ring at 8.15 to allow students more time to be organized and ready for their first class of the day at 8.30am.**

**Please make sure your child arrives on time for school and is picked up when classes or clubs end. Our school gates open for students at 8am and lessons finish at 3.10 (International) 3.30 (Nursery) 4pm (English Integrated), Clubs at 4.50pm. The School will not be held responsible for students who stay in school before and after school hours on their own accord**

**SIS@Halong has pleasure in welcoming a new expat teacher Ms Amy who will be teaching in the KIK Prep class and in our International Program. Welcome Ms Amy!**

**HALONG ROCKS AND ROLLS!**

**Principal**

**Susan Louise Christiansen**