

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ HALONG NEWSLETTER September 2018



Message from the Principal - Susan Christiansen

Dear Parents, Extended Family and Friends, Term 1 has been full and productive and will come to an end in only a couple of weeks. No doubt you will have heard your child speaking about their learning and the new they are making at school

friendships they are making at school.

At SIS@HaLong we understand that developing a safe environment for each and every student is paramount to learning and child development. To that end, we endeavor to make sure that our school virtues are a core part of teaching and are embedded into the weekly learning of the students. So far this year we have discussed, Care, Integrity, Patience and Generosity.

We have had our Year 6 and 7 students present a short performance on Integrity, as they understand it, and I was so impressed by their organization and the message which they successfully communicated to all students from Year 1 to Year 5.

Our Year 2 performed their interpretation of 'Patience 'and it was so great to see the young students thinking and talking about how having patience can assist them in many areas of their day to day lives.

Year 4 presented on Generosity and this was a great way to end the month of September.

Our School Wide Learner Goals are at the forefront of our mission at SIS and our first SWLG awards were presented early this month for Academic Achievement.

The Academic Achiever Awards are for those students who have demonstrated an ongoing commitment to trying their best in their studies.

Congratulations to the students below for their award!

International Program

Nursery-Nguyen Minh Ngoc K1 - Nguyen Anh Khoi K2-Diep Han Prep-Pham Dieu An Year 1- Pham Phung Nguyen Year 2- Le Bao Phuong



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Year 3-Dao Thuy Lan Anh Year 4-Ta Quang Duc Year 5: Nguyen Vuong Hieu Phuong Year 6: Dao Hong Phuc Year 7: Tran Tram Anh

Vietnamese Program

Year 1: Nguyen Nam Khanh Year 2: Nguyen Hoang Bao Han Year 3: Doan Ngoc Hân Year 4: Nguyen Anh Duong Year 5: Dang Tung Lam Year 6: Luong Dieu Linh Year 7: Nguyen Tuan Khai

Parent Information Session

On Wednesday 19th September SIS@HaLong held a parent information session for parents of our Primary and Secondary students. It was a great turn out of parents and we thank you for taking the time to attend the session and sharing your comments.

Fire Drill

On Friday 21st September the students and staff in Primary and Secondary building took part in a safety Fire Drill. This is part of our system wide safety regulations required by all SIS schools according to Vietnamese regulations. All students and staff exited the building safely, in a timely manner.

Mid-Autumn Festival

On Monday 24th September our students took part in activities to celebrate and learn about the Vietnamese tradition of the Mid –Autumn Festival. Our school was decorated with the arts and craft work of the students.



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Message from Ms. Yen - HOV

Week 7 of term 1 is over. Through common activities and lessons at school, children are trained in self-service capabilities, co-operation, and self-solving problems. The Year 5 and 6 students know how to manage their time, and schedule a reasonable personal task. They are becoming self-confident and responsible, they are learning how to unite, and share. Students have made a lot of progress with their Vietnamese curriculum.

Year 1 students get used to with Primary rule and regulation.

Year 2 and 3 students have learnt new things in Maths, new thematic-based lessons in Vietnamese, especially lessons Words and Sentences help students use Vietnamese language properly.

Year 4 and5 students have learnt new things in Maths, logical thinking and calculation methods. They started new subjects including History, Geography, and Science.

Year 6 and 7 get used to with higher level of education with more than 12 subjects.

At SIS@Halong, teachers use explicit teaching methods in their classes. The students learn and practice soft skill.

Based on results of the survey at the beginning of the school year, teachers classify students according to their academic ability and set up plan to help students.

On 24th September, the students participated in the Mid-Autumn Festival 2018. They together with their home teachers decorated and gave presentation on the meaning of their works; It was a chance for students to learn team work, cooperation, find out the story of Mid-autumn fairy tale and enjoy the Mid-autumn party.

We have received some very constructive feedback from parents and we sincerely thank those who have come to the school to share their concerns. With your support and cooperation, we can work together to help promote and grow the school.

In October, the school will organize a number of enrichment activities for students including:

- Integrated STEM education into lessons

- Clubs;

- Excursion;

- Activities to welcome Vietnamese Women's day;

- Participation in the essay contest by MOET "The most memorable moments about your teachers and school"



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- Youth Union Membership Ceremony for Year 3 students

We highly appreciate your cooperation and support. We wish you health and happiness.

Parent Notifications

Last day of Term 1- Friday 12th October

First Day of Term 2- Monday 22nd October

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

In KIK we encourage **only non-sweetened milk** to be brought to school. <u>https://novakdjokovicfoundation.org/importance-nutrition-early-childhood-</u><u>development/</u>

In the Primary and Secondary School, students are not permitted to bring food or drink to school unless it is authorized by the Teacher or Doctor.

Students are required to wear correct SIS@Halong school uniform including covered shoes. Sports shoes are to be worn for PE.

Please make sure your child arrives on time for school and is picked up when classes or clubs end. Please note the security procedures at the front gate for your child's safety.

Our school gates open for students at 8am and lessons finish at 3.30 (KIK) and 3.55 pm for Primary and Secondary students.

The School will not be held responsible for students who are in school before and/or after school hours on their own.

HALONG ROCKS AND ROLLS!