



SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ GAMUDA GARDENS

NEWSLETTER

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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.

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At Singapore International School we seek to nurture students who are:

- **Academic Achievers**
- **Confident Communicators**
- **Critical Thinkers**
- **Technologically literate**
- **Active and Responsible citizens**

Principal's News

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

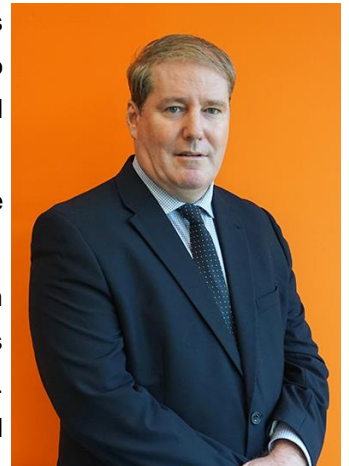
Welcome to the new Academic school year. I would like to thank existing families for your loyalty and the support you have shown our school. We have a number of new families that that joined us and we look forward to creating effective partnerships with all parents to help your children reach their academic potential in a safe, supportive and active International school community.

Teachers have been quick to establish learning routines here at school. It is important this also occurs at home too. Particularly, for secondary and high school students. It would be a rarity that they do not have any home work. We are preparing students for universities around the world and they will need to develop their own independent study habits. They can go over readings, vocabulary and spend additional time on areas they may perceive as difficult.

We have had a great start to the school year. I want to thank the parents for your support with the school uniforms. Overall, the student's uniform and general presentation is very good and this helps to create a positive school environment.

Please note, that we have tougher rules in place for the Secondary school in regards to mobile phones. We want students to have their focus on learning without distractions during the day. If students need to contact parents they can go to the office and call. We appreciate your support with this.

I want to introduce the members of the School Senior Leadership Team. We are all very approachable, please feel free to contact if you have any worries or concerns.



1. Mr Kim Horup, Deputy Principal for KIK & Primary (newly transferred from KIK@TMN).
2. Ms Lizl Brent, Deputy Principal Secondary (newly promoted from HOS).
3. Mr Amos Lee, Deputy Principal High School.
4. Ms Thuy, Head of Vietnamese KIK.
5. Ms Van, Head of Vietnamese for Primary.
6. Ms Huyen Anh, Head of Secondary & High School.
7. Ms Trang, Senior Office Manager.
8. Christopher Bradley Principal K-12.

Take Care.

Christopher Bradley

Principal

Singapore International School @ Gamuda Gardens



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



NEW STAFF SY 2023-2024



SCIENCE LESSON

Message from High School Deputy Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for a brand new academic year!

This school year in SIS @ Gamuda Gardens is exceptional for the High School because the faculty has expanded the number of Science and Math subjects at the IGCSE level. Our students are now studying a range of science and math subjects (Coordinated Science, Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Additional Mathematics) that will provide them with the right foundation for further studies in the field of science and engineering. We wish them success in their studies and future endeavours.

In addition to the new subject offerings this year, the school has done well again for the Cambridge GCE 'A' Level exams. Our High School achieved a bumper harvest of distinctions across all subjects with 37 per cent of our A Level cohort scoring 2 or more distinctions. On top of that, 40 per cent of the cohort scored at least one high distinction with several students obtaining full high distinction across all 3 and 4 A-Level subjects. This is indeed an outstanding achievement!

The school would like to thank all our teachers, students and parents for their hard work, support and understanding to make this possible. Congratulations!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to get in contact with me at the following email address:

amos.lee@gamudagardens.sis.edu.vn

Regards,

Amos Lee



Message from Secondary School Deputy Principal

Dear Parents & Guardians,

I want to wish you and your families a warm welcome to our new school year.

I would like to introduce myself to the new families joining SIS. I am Lizl Brent (formerly Beneke) and I am very excited to state that along with a name change, I have also acquired a new title and will now be serving the SIS community as the Deputy Principal for Secondary. I look forward to continuing to work with our families to provide an outstanding education for all our students.

With a focus on education, I would like to remind our students of the following expectations. Secondary and High School students are expected to complete all assignments and homework on time, participate actively in class discussions and group activities, and take notes during lessons. Students should also read assigned materials and prepare for class discussions, seeking help from their teachers when needed. They are encouraged to use academic resources such as the library, online databases, and textbooks. Furthermore, effective time management is crucial for high school students. They should manage their time effectively and prioritize tasks, reviewing course material regularly to prepare for exams.

To help prepare for the academic requirements at home, parents can help by making your home as comfortable for study time as possible. For example, make sure your child has a quiet place to study, away from distractions.

I look forward to being a part of helping your children's education again this year. Please feel free to contact me, or any member of the Leadership Team, if you would like to discuss anything school related.

Kind regards,

Lizl Brent





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WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Message from Secondary School Deputy Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome all the students back to SIS Gamuda after a well-deserved holiday. It has been a great start to the academic year and your children have brought lots of positive energy with them. This energy has already helped to create a learning environment where they can allow their skills to grow.

I would like to share a bit about myself before moving on to my expectations for the AY 2023-24. My name is Kim Horup, and I will be the Deputy Principal for KIK and the primary school. I originate from Denmark and have spent the last 16 years here in the beautiful capital of Hanoi. During my time here, I have had the pleasure of being employed with KIK as both teacher and, later on, in the role of principal. I am very excited to be part of the KIK and SIS team here at Gamuda Gardens, and I will do my very best to ensure your children have a successful year.

To be successful students and academic achievers, we encourage our students to be critical thinkers, confident communicators, technologically literate, and active global and local citizens.

We encourage the students to live up to our expectations and show the maturity and integrity we expect from them. It starts with simple things like showing up at school in uniform, prepared and well-rested, being punctual, paying attention during lessons and adhering to the guidelines the teaching staff has explained.

We are hoping that you, as parents, will be part of your children's journey and that we will be able to build a strong connection with you to ensure that your children get the best experience and education together. Welcome to 2023-2024.

Yours truly

Mr Kim



Message from Head of Studies - Cambridge

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to SIS@Gamuda Gardens SY2023-2024!

We are excited to see our students well-rested and re-energized for this academic year's fun and challenging days of learning. The Senior Student Council and the Math and Science Department have planned exciting events for everyone this school year. We look forward to a productive and meaningful year ahead.

We received the IGCSE, AS, and A Level June 2023 Cambridge results this August. For students who want to resit a subject, please inform your child to see me for the registration form. Students and parents must complete and submit the form by 31 August (Thursday) to the school cashier. Our school cashier will provide an invoice to the parents. Once paid, we will send the subject entries to Cambridge for approval.

For any queries, please feel free to contact me at maria.batac@gamudagardens.sis.edu.vn.

Regards,

Maria Batac





*WOMEN'S STAFF VS STUDENT'S
FOOTBALL GAME*



Message from Head of Vietnamese Studies - Secondary

Dear Parents,

My name is Nguyen Thi Huyen Anh – Head of Vietnamese Studies for Secondary Programme.

I would like to express my sincere welcome to you and your children.

After a well-deserved holiday, students have brought lots of positive energy and ready for a new school year. Welcome you and your students back for a great school year 2023-2024 at SIS@ Gamuda Gardens.

At the beginning of the school year, the freshmen at school usually need to spend a lot of time to get acquainted with teachers, classmates, subjects as well as learning methods. Parents please support the school and form teachers to assist students to get familiar with the learning environment, as well as, learning progress of the Secondary School.

With other students, welcome back to SIS. They met their friends and their teachers again, as well as, they knew the learning methods. However, after a summer holiday, they also need to get back with the learning habits, school habits, as well as, set their own goals clearly from the beginning of the school year in order to get the best results.

Some of our activities and events have commenced in the first few weeks of the school year. The detail announcements will be sent to Parents in the Bi-weekly Letter.

If you have any enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact form teachers or administrators at school office for more information.

I will continue accompanying the students for all activities and wish them have a fruitful, safe and successful school year.

If you have any issues to discuss, please contact me via email: anh.nguyenthihuyen@gamudagardens.sis.edu.vn

Best regards!

Nguyen Thi Huyen Anh

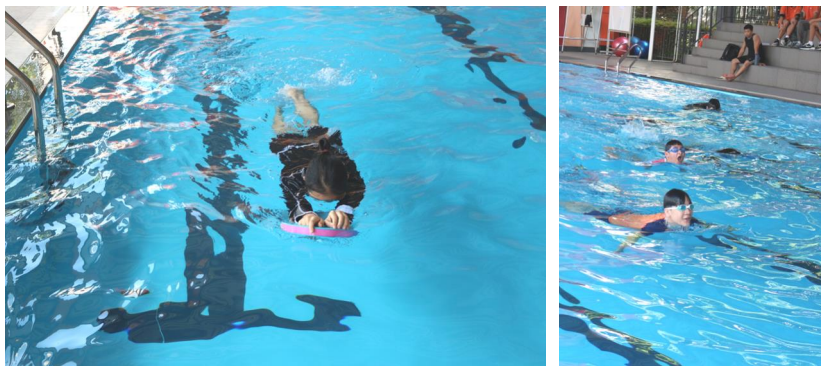




GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE LESSON



CHINESE LESSON



SWIMMING LESSON



Message from Head of Vietnamese Studies - KIK

Dear Parents and Beloved Students,

We extend our warmest regards and heartfelt welcome to the students of Kinderworld International Kindergarten at Gamuda Gardens for the academic year 2023-2024.

The first month of this academic year is gradually ending. All uncertainties and challenges seem to be receding; making way for a sense of joy and contentment that pervades the atmosphere among both the educators and the students. Our teachers have tenderly imparted love, care, and knowledge to the children, who have received these offerings with a blend of confidence, trust, genuine happiness, and radiant smiles.

The swift passage of August has allowed us to witness the array of activities our students have engaged in at the school. These include waterplay activities, experiential learning endeavors, academic pursuits, and physical education undertakings. For the kindergarten students, the thematic focus of August centered around timeless fairy tales such as "Little Red Riding Hood," "Goldilocks and The Three Bears," and "The Little Red Hen." Meanwhile, our nursery and K1 kindergarten children have been immersed in the familiar melodies of "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" and "Mary Had a Little Lamb." Additionally, our teachers have diligently instilled routines for proper eating and resting, punctual learning, and fundamental hygiene practices. Over the course of three weeks, the children have shown significant progress, gradually embracing these routines.

Our aspiration is to collectively foster an environment that is both warm and open, brimming with laughter, while maintaining a remarkable level of professionalism. We hold hope that every day spent at the school will be one filled with happiness and joy.

As we step into this new academic year, on behalf of the school's management, I extend my heartfelt wishes for your well-being, happiness, and resounding success, dear parents.

To our beloved students, I wish for you a new academic year filled with robust health, abundant joy, and a collaborative spirit in the construction of a secure and brilliantly successful educational journey throughout the year 2023-2024.

Should you have any concerns or questions, please kindly send email to: thuy.vuthi@gamudagardens.kinderworld.edu.vn.

Best regards,

Vu Thi Thuy



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KIK BACK TO SCHOOL



KIK ACTIVITIES



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