



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 Message

Dear Parents

March was an exciting month with fun-filled activities and highlights that enabled our students to display their talents in sports, creativity, and academics.

School is about the joy of learning, which was brought to our young learners through the Dr Seuss week. They explored reading in a fun and creative way and through these theme weeks we continue to excite our young learners with joyful memories through creative play. This theme of



learning through play was also a key feature of our Open Day held on 23rd of March for our prospective parents.

Our Primary students had the opportunity to showcase their talents through our Talent Show. It is wonderful to know that we have so many artistic students with different abilities beyond academics. Through these experiences we hope to nurture confidence and believe in themselves. All our students have talents in them, as a school we provide opportunities for them to discover their hidden talent and express themselves in creative ways. It was indeed a pleasure where everyone was a winner on stage.

While our Primary students showcased their talents on stage, our Secondary students had the opportunity to express their sporting abilities in our Hanoi Sports League. This is a series of inter-school sporting competitions organised by Gamuda Gardens to promote sports through collaborative play and living an active lifestyle. Our Gamuda students had impressive wins and were excited about their achievements. These are moments to build team spirit with their classmates cheering them on. I am sure they are memories that they will take with them beyond school.

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*JOHANNES NGUYEN ROMAUCH OF AL-A  
WAS MAKING A SPEECH ON THE  
IMPLICATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS  
VIOLATION IN SUDAN IN THE REFORM  
SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE*



*NGUYEN CANH HUNG, AS-B,  
PRESENTED THE PROBLEM OF  
HIGH-DENSITY HOUSING TO THE  
DELEGATES IN THE SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT GOAL 11 COMMITTEE*



*NGUYEN KHOI FROM IG2B ANALYZING  
AN ARGUMENT IN ONE OF THE  
SESSIONS ON UN SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT GOAL*

In our last newsletter we highlight our students impressive win in the Science Debate organised by UNIS, where our High School Team Distinguished themselves with an impressive gold medal. Further to this Science Debate our High School Students continued to impress in the Model United Nations Conferences organised by UNIS with their confident presentation. In this newsletter, it gives me great pleasure to share another good news, with our Kindergarten student Ta Hoang Nguyen Khoi achieving high award in the Thailand International Mathematical Olympiad (TIMO).

School is about nurturing holistic talents and celebrating achievements and I would like to share this joy of learning, achieving and celebrating with you, with your continued support we can achieve more together.

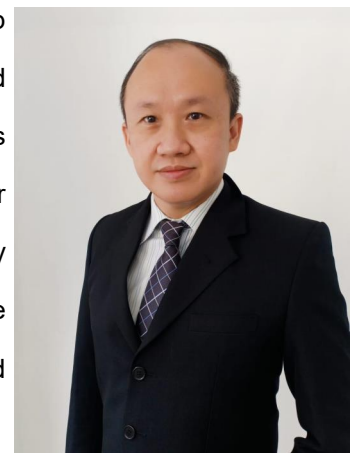
Bala Krish

Supervisory Principal

#### **Updates from High School Deputy Principal**

Dear Parents,

Our students have done an excellent job at the recent inter-school Model United Nations Conference in United Nations International School (UNIS). Our delegation of 14 students, accompanied by two dedicated chairs, impressed everyone with their hard work, courage, and professionalism.



The weeks leading up to the conference were a flurry of activity. Students meticulously researched their assigned countries and topics, crafting well-researched resolutions aimed at tackling pressing global issues. This dedication to preparation truly paid off. During the conference itself, our students stepped confidently into the role of international diplomats, passionately advocating for their positions in committee debates. Their bravery in publicly presenting their ideas and engaging in constructive dialogue was a testament to their commitment to global citizenship.







*NENE HAMAJIMA, AL-A, WAS MAKING A  
SPEECH ON CARBON CAPTURE  
TECHNOLOGY IN THE SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT GOAL 13 COMMITTEE*

Beyond the formal debates, the conference fostered a spirit of camaraderie and cultural exchange. On the second day, the extended program included a delightful banquet dinner, engaging games, and a lively talent show that stretched into the evening. This provided a fantastic opportunity for our students to connect with their peers from other schools, forging new friendships and building a valuable network.

The school wishes to thank Ms. Joanna Marx and Ms. Aimee Thomas for their time and effort in helping our students to shine in the event. Through this event, our students have learnt much about the importance of diplomacy and international cooperation in addressing global challenges.

Regards,

Amos Lee

**Updates from Kindergarten & Primary school Deputy Principal**

Dear parents,

"Do you like green eggs and ham?"

At the beginning of our Dr Seuss week, most of our students would have given us a resounding "No!" but thanks to the story "Green Eggs and Ham", our students decided to try the dish after all. Our students in KIK participated in our theme week about the many imaginative and fun stories created by Theodor Seuss Geisel, who wrote under the pseudonym "Dr Seuss."



Dr Seuss Week is a creative and enjoyable way for our students to read aloud, imagine and immerse themselves in the interesting features of the books. Through fun and interactive activities we hope to promote the joy of reading through collaboration.

His stories are plentiful, but the stories "Green Eggs and Ham" and "The Cat in the Hat" stood out the most among our students. Both stories have catchy rhymes and a fun narrative using a minimum of words, which resonates well with the children. We had creative dress-up days every day, some based on a story we would focus on. A big hit among all the year levels was creating our version of the iconic red and white hat.



*A CAT IN A HAT*





A fun fact about "The Cat in the Hat" is that it was written using only 236 different words, and the story is 61 pages long!

We would like to share some highlights from Dr Seuss week!

Best regards,

Kim Horup



*SILLY SOCKS*



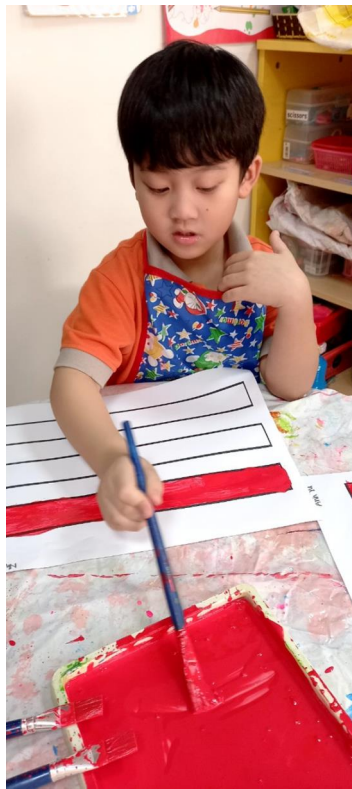
*OUR NURSERY KIDS MAKING  
GREEN EGGS AND HAM*



*THING 1  
FROM  
"THE CAT  
IN  
THE HAT"*



*DR. SEUSS WEEK*



*DESIGNING THE HAT*





## Updates from Head of Studies - Sports

Dear Parents,

In Term 3, SIS Gamuda Gardens experienced an exhilarating surge in sporting events as the Hanoi sports league commenced, featuring Badminton, Football, and Basketball. These sporting events not only promote collaboration and team spirit across SIS schools but also foster a healthy lifestyle through active participation in sports.



Throughout the term, our teams showcased remarkable achievements, with our badminton teams securing victories against formidable opponents like Westlink and Wellspring, our Secondary football team triumphing with two wins against TH School, and our Basketball team clinching a hard-fought victory against Brighton College.

These endeavors not only celebrate high student achievement but also reinforce our commitment towards providing a holistic education. Through these experiences our students showcase their athletic prowess in a collaborative and competitive environment building resilience through sports.

Best regards,

Hendrik Prinsloo



*HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM*



*SECONDARY BADMINTON TOURNAMENT  
YEAR 7A PHUC SHOWING OFF HIS  
BADMINTON SKILLS.*



*MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKET BALL  
TEAM VS TH SCHOOL*



*HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM HAVING FUN*



## Updates from Head of Vietnamese Studies - Primary

Dear Parents and Beloved Students,

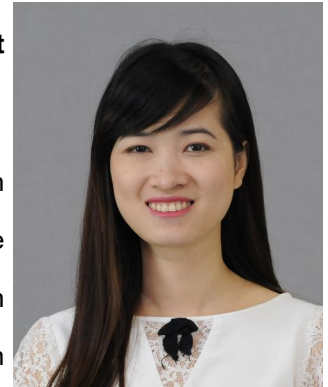
### Impressive Finale of the "SIS Got Talent Show 2024" Competition

Someone once said: if life is a sky, then each of our students is a star. Students are born to shine in their own unique way, both bright and distinctive, carrying their own values. You may not excel in academically

but sing beautifully, dance gracefully, and tell stories proficiently. You may not achieve outstanding academic results, but you are adorable, caring, and helpful. In some aspect, all students deserve praise and encouragement. Therefore, every year, the "SIS Got Talent Show" competition is organized to provide a beneficial and exciting playground for students to explore and confidently demonstrate their talents and values. The competition is also a place for students to exchange, hone their skills, and thereby develop themselves comprehensively.

The Finals of the "SIS Got Talent Show" Competition took place with the participation of 12 outstanding acts from the best teams and individuals. The performances were meticulously prepared by the students with beautiful singing, graceful movements, and eye-catching costumes combined with confident stage presence, enhancing the attractiveness of each act. Diverse and colorful performances such as singing, dancing, musical instrument performances, and martial arts demonstrations, brought the audience ecstatic, and explosive moments. The continuous applause from teachers, parents, and fellow students is evidence of the talents of our students.

On behalf of our teachers, I would like to express my sincere and deep gratitude to the Parents and students who have accompanied and supported the school's activities so that our students always feel the confidence to shine.







*EXHIBITION OF INFORMATION IN THE  
CLASSROOM – TRANSFORMING  
KNOWLEDGE DELIVERY APPROACH*



*POSITIVE GROUP ACTIVITIES*



*ROLE-PLAYING IN STORYTELLING*



*PRACTICAL TRAFFIC SIGN MAKING  
AND REAL-LIFE APPLICATION*

**Talent on stage to engagement in lessons**

Innovating teaching methods is considered a key solution, with breakthrough potential in improving the quality of teaching and learning in schools. At Singapore International School, teachers focus on innovating teaching methods in a modern settings to promote positivity, proactivity, creativity, and the application of knowledge. By focusing on teaching students how to learn, think, and lay the foundation for comprehensive development in terms of knowledge, skills, and abilities teachers empower our learners with self discussing. Lessons built in with innovative direction are interesting lessons that engage because in these lessons, students are excited to participate in activities, actively dominate knowledge through group activities, presentations, debates, arguments. Through the lessons, students' cooperative ability, language skills, and specific subject abilities are also trained and developed.

We invite parents to admire the beautiful moments of our students in class.

Best regards,

Tran Thi Thuy Van





***TA HOANG NGUYEN KHOI OUR  
MATHEMATICS WIZARD WITH  
HIS GOLD MEDAL***

## **Updates from Head of Vietnamese Studies - Kindergarten**

Dear Parents,

We would like to share an exciting news with you!

Ta Hoang Nguyen Khoi, our kindergarten student, won a high award in the Thailand International Mathematical Olympiad (TIMO), which is an honor and a source of pride for our school. The Olympiad Champion Education



Center from Hong Kong, in collaboration with the Tourism Authority of Thailand, organizes this exam every year. For students who are enthusiastic about mathematics in all grade levels—from kindergarten to high school—this is a helpful intellectual playground that foster and encourage young people's love of the subject, help them develop their critical thinking skills, and build bridges between different cultures. He was awarded the national gold prize and will represent Vietnamese students in Thailand in April at the International Math Competition. We wish him courage, self-assurance, and success! Above all we want him to derive joy through these experiences.

Another exciting event in March is our Open day held on March 23, 2024, from 9am to 11am. Open day is an annual school event that takes place twice a year in March and July to showcase our fun learning activities to prospective parents to encourage them to become part of this wonderful school experience in Gamuda Gardens in the future. Kindergarten students explored so many fun activities such as Easter egg hunt, Cookies decoration, Marshmallow/ sticks building, Statue painting and tattoos, Threading beads & playdough handmade or STEM robotics. All activities were well prepared and arranged by our dedicated teachers. These activities made our visiting parents excited about our school and were keen to know more about our programmes.

Best regards,

Vu Thi Thuy



***MR. BALA KRISH CONGRATULATED  
HIM AT HIS CLASS WITH A SMALL  
GIFT FROM THE SCHOOL TO  
ENCOURAGE HIM.***



***MARSHMALLOWS! NOT FOR EATING BUT  
BUILDING. A CREATIVE BUILDING GAME!***





*LITTLE HANDS DOING THREAD BEADS AND HANDMADE PLAYDOUGH WITH CURIOSITY AND FOCUS.*



*OUR YOUNG ARTISTS HAVING GREAT FUN WITH PAINTING STATUES.*



*AMAZING FUN WITH STEM ROBOTICS*



*I LIKE MY COOKIES TO BE COLOURFUL!  
YUMMY COOKIES DECORATION.*

