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VISION

To be an educational institution of excellence combining Eastern values with the knowledge and skills to participate in a global society.

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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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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents.

Main activities in April 2021:

- + Students reviewed the knowledge required for the second semester exams according the academic outline: Year 1- Year 12
- + Students took the 2nd Semester tests: Year 9 and Year 12
- + Conducting Parents meeting for all levels: Class Teachers reported on the learning results of students for the Mid-2nd semester; discussing the plan and measures to support students to consolidate for better results in the final exams.
- + Students participated in a swimming course for AY 2020-2021.
- + Primary students took part in the 2nd field trip (29th April 2021)
- + Students from Year 5 to Year 9 presented the STEM project: Layers of the Earth.
- + Students took public holidays on Hung King anniversary (April 21), Liberation Day (30th April) and Labour Day (1st May).
- + Students resumed school on 4th May and continued with 2nd Semester tests for Year 1 to Year 11.

Wishing you all the health, peace and success in life for you all.

The Principal,

Mrs. Nguyen Thi Hanh

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Preparing your child for testing

It's almost that time again — Assessments are right around the corner. Parents play an important part in helping students give their best performance on this important test. As you know, we have been busy preparing and reinforcing the skills necessary for students to demonstrate their learning. We don't want to cause test anxiety, rather we want our students to be as prepared as possible. The following recommendations can support our students for success:

The night before the test:

- 1. Make sure your child goes to bed on time so he or she is well-rested.
- 2. Keep your child's routine as normal as possible.
- 3. Be positive and confident in the fact that you know your child will do his/her best.

If you follow these steps, it will help your child to be more confident and ready for their assessments.

Mr. Riccardi Bessard - EFL Teacher





Message from Mr. Nguyen Trung Tinh

Year 12 students are entering the "speeding up" phase for the 2021 high school exam.

I would like to share a few notes for you:

1. Spend enough time for study and practice. From now until one week before the exam, students need to eat and drink with proper nutrition, stay safe and clean, and have a reasonable rest routine.

Learning all compulsory 6 subjects, do not take any subject lightly but you should focus on the University subjects with a ratio of 10:7. So you should make a study plan and allocate time scientifically.

2. Do not go to sleep later than 10:30 and should get up as early as 5:30, practice some warm-up movements and begin learning - early morning is the ideal time to learn because "the brain is very strong".

"On the path of success, there is no trace of laziness" - Lu Xun

3. Take advantage of class time to increase interaction with teachers and friends. Ask about what you do not understand.

Brainstorm and focus when studying. Learning and playing at the right time, the effect will be higher.

Wishing you the best preparation to achieve the highest results for the upcoming exam.

Mr. Nguyen Trung Tinh - Physics Teacher

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Đứa trẻ nào sinh ra cũng có phẩm chất tốt. Cùng với sự trường thành những phẩm chất đó bị phá hồng bởi môi trường xung quanh và ảnh hưởng của người tán.





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Review of the book "Totto-Chan by the window"

"Totto-chan by the Window" is an autobiography by Kuroyanagi Tetsuko. The story about Totto-chan, a little girl who is playful, mischievous, but very lovely. Tottochan is different from the rest of the class. She caused a mess that made the whole class chaotic. Unable to punish Totochan with discipline, the school forced her out of school. But she never bothered about that. What Totochan cared about was trying to help her disabled friend up to her tree house, and she was happy to know that all the people around her were healthy, including the dog and the cat she caught on the road.

Parents always love their children unconditionally, but it is not easy to understand them. It is rare for parents to persevere in the spiritual world of their children, they often pay more attention to the physical externalities of their children. Fortunately, Totto-chan has a wonderful mother, she understands and shares her concerns at any time. She does not use violence to solve problems, but she is always skillful and sympathetic to Totto- chan. It is a very progressive and civilized education; the love of a mother helps Totto-chan spend her happiest days peacefully.

Toto-chan was lucky to attend an ideal new school, helping her to develop herself naturally. The Tomoe school - the one she moved to after being expelled - taught her many things, and what she did was no longer a problem. Scores are not a measure of a student's efforts. The motivation for comprehensive human development is the encouragement and guidance of the seniors. Principal Sosaku Kobayashi has done a great job with this, and he gives the children a true life. Human success cannot be verified clearly, perhaps having a meaningful life is already a success.

Throughout the book are lessons about sharing, friendship, teacher-student friendship, love, dreams and ambitions that revolve around Tottochan. It is the foundation for an extremely bright future, a brave, successful, loving Tottochan. The most important thing for her is to live as she wants, not the same as anyone else.

With a witty tone, the author makes readers laugh endlessly at Toto-chan's troublesome situations. In addition, along with sincerity and psychological understanding, the author helps adults better understand their children's colorful world views. The author's message is that children need to develop themselves naturally. The method of educating children will determine who their future self will be and the person who best proves it is the author himself.

Ms. Nguyen Ngoc Hoai My - Primary Teacher

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Developing mathematical thinking for children is very important, and helps children have a solid foundation for their learning in the future. With reasonable training methods, parents can help their children get rid of their fear of learning math and learn better in the future.

• Learn math through games:

Some games such as guessing numbers, shaping ... are also ways to learn math to stimulate the development of brain thinking.

· Do math exercises:

The mathematical problems can be applied such as: comparison, calculation problems, image problems ... The more exercises the children can handle, the more their ability can improve.

3.3. Train self-study ability:

Self-study helps children to better understand the knowledge that has been taught, discover their weakness, and at the same time train their independence.

3.4. Establish a habit of reverse thinking:

In addition to the familiar way of thinking by following a system and order, children should establish the habit of reverse thinking. Instead of going from the beginning to the end you should start from the bottom up. This helps them have a holistic way of thinking.

Always ask questions

Asking questions is an important skill not only in learning but also in their future life.

Asking questions proves that they are thinking about the problem and at the same time makes them have the self –awareness to learn and analyze the problem, thereby giving out the most accurate solution.

Challenge yourself:

They can set goals for themselves to solve or approach difficult math problems that require a lot of thinking so that they have to think more than usual. This learning style not only trains them to persevere, but also helps them improve themselves and their learning style.

Remember flexibly:

In order to get highly effective for this method, we can use the mathematical mind map, which will point out the main ideas and they will be easier to implement and remember for longer.

Wishing parents soon find the right method for their children.

Ms. Doan Le Tuyet Nhi - Primary Teacher







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STEM Project – The Layers of The Earth

No longer framed in books or long interlaced lecture slides, numerous new ways of learning from STEM projects bring excitement and enthusiasm to SVIS students in Geography in particular and the Earth and Universe in general.

On April 9, 2021, students at SVIS gave a presentation on a STEM project - simulating Earth's scans to help us better visualize the structure of the Earth's crust.

Students from grades 5 to 9, after a meeting to discuss about the project, researched the structure of the Earth and collected necessary materials to build up the model, and then proceeded to make the model. Bringing all the vast cut layers of the Earth to scale in a model made of simple materials: foam, plastic basket, newspaper, ... is how SVIS students did this project.

· Application in school subjects:

In addition to the application of Geography skills, the students also applied a lot of other skills from other subjects such as:

- Skills to calculate rates from Math.
- Designing skills from Technology.
- Technical assembly of details from technical subjects.
- Decorative skills for the Earth in Arts.
- Knowledge of Geography subject.
- Presentation skills from Literature.

Ms. Kieu Thi Thanh Thuy - Primary Teacher



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