



SINGAPORE VIETNAM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ NHA TRANG

# NEWSLETTER

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## DEAR PARENTS,

In the joyful atmosphere of the whole country to celebrate the day all citizens send their children to school, SVIS@Nha Trang School also held the Opening Ceremony of the new school year 2022-2023 on the morning of September 5. The ceremony included several rituals such as welcoming the students of the first grade in primary, middle and high school, saluting the flag, reading the President's letter and a number of musical performances given by students which created a joyful and exciting atmosphere. The school stabilized and maintained the right after the opening ceremony.

Mid-Autumn Festival is also known as Moon Festival. Teachers and students of the school together organized the "Happy Mid-Autumn Festival" program; Students from all over the school competed to make Mid-Autumn Lanterns simulating famous architectural works of Vietnam and the world, and Carp turned into a dragon with lots of creativity. In addition to the lantern making contest, the festival program also included some quizzes with prizes and the activity of serving out mid-autumn festival confectionery together. The annual Mid-Autumn Festival program aims to help our children express their creativity and establish the connection with their friends and family.

Another new activity in September is that SVISNT School brings STEM subjects into the main curriculum from the school year 2022 - 2023.

The STEM Robotics & Coding program is for all students at SVIS with the aim of developing their confidence, creativity, and design thinking. Through a fun and easy-to-follow approach (Mathematics involved, 3D design through Makers Empier software for 1st and 2nd graders), every student has the opportunity to become a creator who can innovate, solve problems and freely express their own ideas. Each student is encouraged to learn about project process, loops, conditions, algorithms with robot-based activities using virtual platforms. (<https://scratch.mit.edu>), ([Vr.Vex.com](http://Vr.Vex.com))

The overarching goal of the STEM course is to introduce computer programming to our students from an early age, shape their interests, and challenge all their preconceptions about technology and computer science. . Every student is encouraged to learn what computing and digital technologies are and how they work, inspire young people to think and behave like scientists and engineers, and at the same time help them become independent and reflective learners through inquiry-based projects.

After each course, students will practice programming through the challenges given by the teacher or they can create their own challenge, creating the product they want.

Wish all parents, teachers, school staff and students good health and success.

**Mdm. Nguyen Thi Hanh**

**Principal**

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**VIRTUES POSTER – FLEXIBILITY, PATIENCE AND TEAMWORK**

With the start of the new School Year, English club has also returned and this month the focus was on flexibility, patience and teamwork.

With lesson and activities prepared by the foreign English teachers, students spent time learning about some of the qualities and values we strive for them at SVIS. These are we'd like our students to excel themselves at our school. During the lessons we did teambuilding exercises and other projects to expand on the topic after a group discussion. We also used role-play exercises and had the students act out how they would best use those virtues.

English club is an excellent way to use and learn English. It is great for our community spirit as mixed-ages interact, students interact with those they may not know, promotes social skills & creativity, older students help the younger ones, younger students learn from the older students and all mixed-ages are supported. It is a very relaxed and interested environment for learning English, where students feel comfortable.

**Mr. Diederick Wolmarans**

**EFL Teacher**





## GENERAL INTRODUCTION OF STEM CURRICULUM

Dear Parents and Students,

STEM is an acronym for science, technology, engineering, and math.

Science helps students understand the natural world and apply that knowledge to solve scientific problems in daily life.

Technology develops students' ability to use, manage, understand, and evaluate technology, providing them the opportunities to understand how technology evolves, and its impact on life.

Engineering: develops students' understanding of how technology is evolving through the engineering design process, creating the opportunities to integrate knowledge of multiple disciplines, making related concepts become easy to understand.

Maths: develop students' ability to analyze, reason and communicate ideas effectively through calculations, explanations, solutions to mathematical problems in given situations.

This school year, the school invested in more modern equipment for teaching STEM Coding on tablets. After the implementation period, I found that all students were excited and especially were able to improve their learning capacity, helping them access science and technology from the time they are still at school. It is my pleasure to share some pictures from the classes.

**Mr. Nguyen Trung Tinh**

**Physics Teacher**



**INTRODUCTION OF FALL CODING BOOTCAMP COURSE of 2022**

SVIS Nha Trang students are currently studying Stem subject at School. In addition, I would like to send to students the information about the Fall Coding Bootcamp 2022 course organized by STEAM for Vietnam. STEAM for Vietnam is a non-profit organization that offers free STEM Courses from world-class experts to promote STEM education in Vietnam. There are currently two courses which open for registration from 15 September to 15 October 2022.

CS 001 on Scratch Programming is for students with age level from 8 to 16 years old (online learning, on weekends).

CS 201 in Robotics (VEX IQ) is for students with age level from 11 to 14 years old.

This course is conducted at the places of partners of S4VN (a number of schools, the universities or the USA Centers in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City) also during the weekend. FYI, the courses are free and the teaching language is Vietnamese. All information about courses and registration can be found on the STEAM for Vietnam website (<https://www.steamforvietnam.org/courses>)

**Mr. Nguyen Huu Hoa**

**Maths Teacher**





## THE VALUE OF ROLE-PLAY

Each week, the students get to participate in role-plays in the classroom as well as in the English Club, where they can acquire important lessons about virtues like "patience" and put what they have learned into practice through a variety of role-plays. The value of role-playing can be emphasized as a successful method for children who do not speak English as their first language to enhance their communication and language abilities. It enables students to explore, study, and try out various roles, as well as act out and make sense of actual life situations. Role-playing helps pupils learn social skills as they work together with others.

**Mr. Hong Sein Mui**

**EFL Teacher**



Class 9A "One must have patience to persevere through painful exercise to stay fit"



Class 10A "It requires patience to practice to become the next famous POP band."



Class 11A "The patience to explain and understand a difficult subject matter."



Class 12A "The three fishermen were patiently waiting to catch some fish and finally caught a big fish!"

### WEEKLY TEAMBUILDING ACTIVITIES

Every Friday afternoon, after a stressful week of studying, the students of SVIS Nha Trang school are "fluffed out" with a series of interesting and full of laughter folk games organized by dynamic and enthusiastic teachers. Everyone is looking forward to Friday coming so soon to play, laugh, dance and shout together. After the group activity, everyone's face and clothes were smeared, sweaty, but strangely, no one was tired, on the contrary, everyone felt so strong and full of energy. We invite you to take a look at some of our photos.

**Ms. Nguyen Ngoc Hoai My**

**Primary Teacher**





**MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL**

"Every day going to school is a happy day"

Students discover and experience interesting knowledge and learning activities at school on every day.

In last September, on the occasion of the Mid-Autumn Festival, the students participated in the unique "Architecture Building Competition", they were satisfied with their creativity and completed their own products.

Please take a look at the pictures of the Mid-Autumn Festival lantern creation contest of SVIS Nha Trang students.

**Ms. Doan Le Tuyet Nhi**

**Primary Teacher**

