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KEEP HEALTHY STAY SAFE WEEK

From 9th to 13th of January, BIS Hanoi had a Keep Healthy, Stay Safe focus which involved children and staff in an active programme highlighting the importance of exercise and making healthy choices.







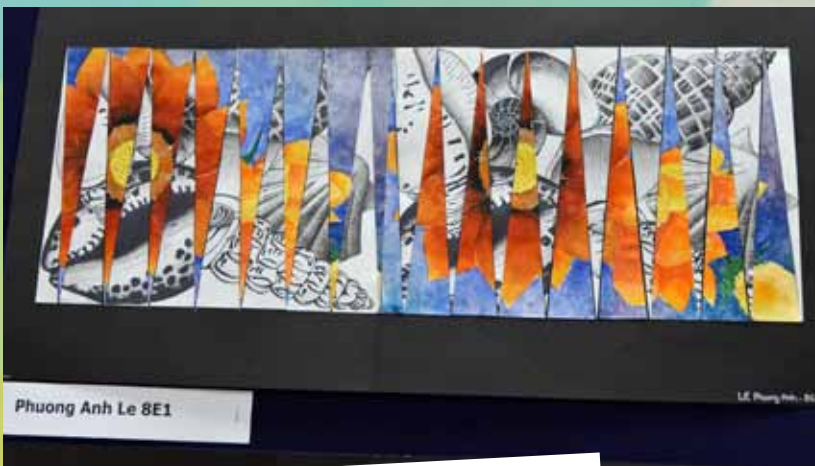
Whole School Tet Assembly

There were contributions from students of all classes from the Primary and Secondary school in January 2017 to celebrate Tet at British International School Hanoi. All the songs and dances that were performed by the students demonstrate the cultural diversity of Vietnam with the aim of preserving and honoring the traditional cultural values of the Vietnamese people.



KS3 Art Exhibition

On February 7th 2017, we organized an Art Exhibition which was the culmination of a whole term's work in Art for students in Year 7, 8 and 9 at BIS Hanoi. The aim of the exhibition was to celebrate the hard work, talent and perseverance shown by students. It was lovely to see the pride and admiration from the teachers, parents and students visiting the event.





Maths Olympiad at Concordia

On Saturday 18th February, a team of 21 enthusiastic students and 3 dedicated staff were admirably led to a wonderful victory by Mr. Stewart Russell. The Olympiad aims to bring together the most promising young problem solvers and challenge them in a variety of ways that go well beyond the scope of everyday classroom events.





The 2nd visit of **Mr. Paul Murphy** *Juilliard Alumni*

On the 14th and 15th February, BIS Hanoi was visited for the 2nd time by our Juilliard Curriculum Specialist – Mr. Paul Murphy who graduated from Yale University and is currently studying for his doctorate in Education whilst working at Juilliard. Paul worked with almost 200 BIS Hanoi's students directly to ensure all have the opportunity to learn from him as well as to help create new initiatives that would make our school one of the leading Performing Arts departments in the country.





Year 3 Young Enterprise Fair

Year 3 students lead us through the process of how they had planned to raise money by organising the “Young Enterprise Fair’ in support of the rehabilitation of suffering animals rescued by the Tam Dao Bear Sanctuary. They presented to parents then invited them to buy the products they had made in the fair which was set up in the Primary Playground.

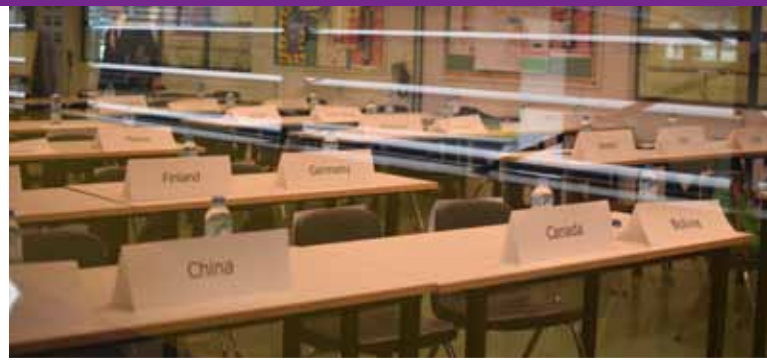


GALA SHOWCASE

We have outstanding musicians at the school studying IGCSE and IB diploma music and we are sure they will go on to achieve the examination grades that their talent deserves but Gala Showcase on 2nd March was not about theory or written papers; it was about the joy of music, which is a gift to share with everyone.







BIS HANOI TEAM AT THE 9TH UNISMUN

Together with 17 different international schools from all over South-East Asia, BIS Hanoi students had the exciting opportunity to take on roles as diplomats, investigate international issues, debate, deliberate, consult, and then develop solutions to world problems at the 9th Annual Session of UNISMUN.

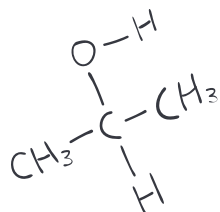
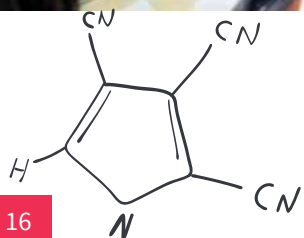
United Nations International School Model United Nations (UNISMUN) is an annual conference hosted by UNIS Hanoi in Vietnam that runs for 3 days





YEAR 8 TREE PLANTING CEREMONY

On 3 March 2017, we were delighted to participate in a tree planting ceremony with our Y8 parents and students. The tree is expected to grow strongly and beautifully and stay as a memory for all the Y8 students when they come back to visit BIS Hanoi in the future.

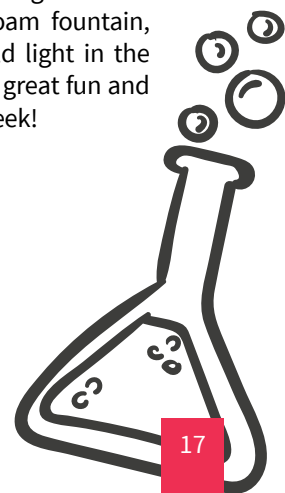




SCIENCE WEEK



For BIS Hanoi's Primary and Secondary, Science Week from 13th to 17th of March was a very busy week, full of enquiry and experiments. While all the Primary children immersed themselves in the Science Week theme "Change", Secondary students enjoyed conducting a range of hands-on science experiments to their juniors and helping them to find out the answers to their scientific questions. The Science assembly was a highlight of the week with a series of fun activities from our Science teachers such as resurrecting a dead frog, creating a foam fountain, showing some cold light in the dark etc. It was all great fun and a truly inspiring week!





GEOGRAPHY JOB-ALIKE WORKSHOP

On the back of the success of the Geography Department's accreditation by the Geographical Association (<http://www.geography.org.uk/>) in receiving the Secondary Geography Quality Mark, we are proud to have hosted the FOBISIA Geography Job-Alike Workshop here at BIS Hanoi with participation of Geography leaders from all over South East Asia.



Progress Check Test Achievement

Last term, students in Year 10 and 12 revised hard for their Spring PCTs. The tests were based on the work that they had completed since August 2016. For an intense 4-week period students revised their class notes prior to sitting a week of exams. Results were pleasing. In Year 12, students saw their hard work repaid with an average increase of half a grade in each of their IB subjects. Meanwhile, the A*/A average in Year 10 rose by 6%. Most importantly, the students will learn from the mistakes they made on these challenging tests. If they reflect on their performance and make a plan to improve any areas of weakness, they will be in a much stronger position to improve their grade in the summer. Pictured are some of the students who enjoyed PCT success in March 2017.



T-ball Competition

It was delightful to see many Primary parents, students & teachers joining in the T-ball House Competition on Thursday 12 January which was an exciting sport day and demanded great teamwork spirit. The school community not only enjoyed the game but they also had great opportunity to strengthen the already close teacher-parent-children relationship, creating great memories together!









FOBISIA Golf Tournament in Phuket

Our Golf team had exciting days at the FOBISIA Golf Tournament in Phuket. All the members really enjoyed themselves and participated in the competition confidently. Their fantastic attitude, manners and cheerfulness were praised by the event organisers, teachers and parents from other schools, which was great to hear!



BIS Hanoi Fixtures & Tournaments







UNDER 13 FOBISIA GAMES

BIS Lionhearts performed beyond all expectations at the Under 13 FOBISIA Games demonstrating exceptional performances in a variety of sports. The overall results were announced with BIS taking 1st place in Athletics, Swimming and Football and 2nd place in Basketball. For our first U13 FOBISIA this is a fantastic achievement. The students had worked extremely hard in the build up to this event and this shone through in their performances. We are very proud of them all!



Photo by Darren Jones





**Duke of Edinburgh's International Award
Bronze Expedition**





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F2 visit T-club Trampoline Park at Aeon Mall





Year 1 visit the botanical gardens



Year 2 visit the flower market





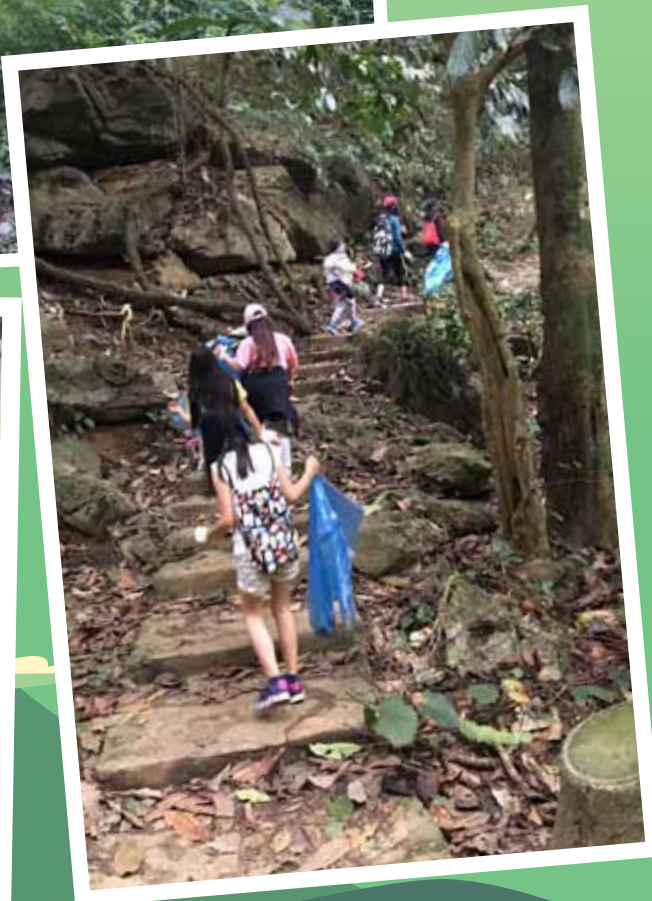
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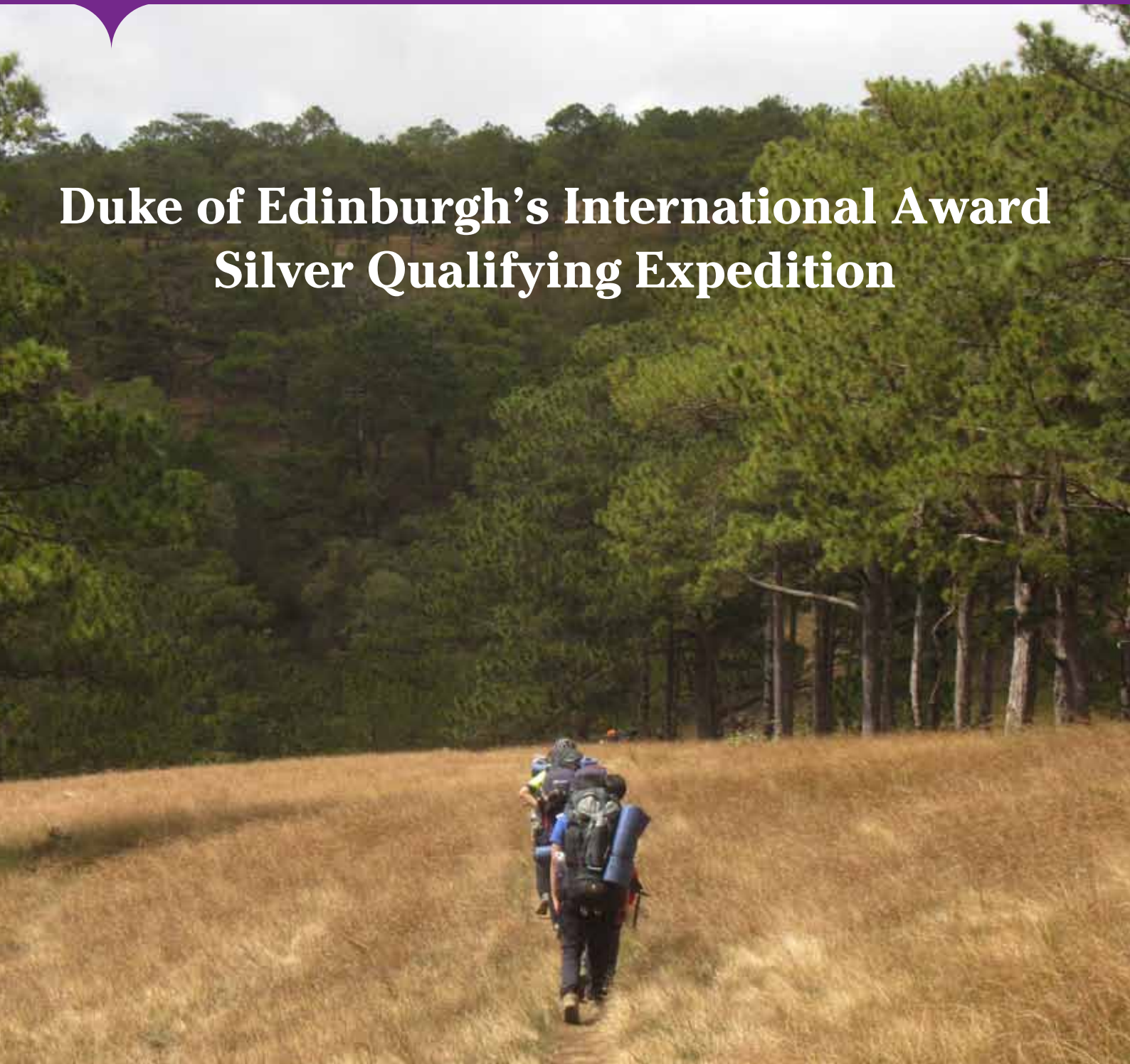


Year 6 visit Hoi An





Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Silver Qualifying Expedition







TANZANIA TRIP

From 17th to 24th January our students had a once in a lifetime opportunity travelling to Kilimanjaro, Tanzania as part of our Global Campus Worldwide Expeditions program. Students explored a local village, built goat sheds, solar systems, and smokeless stoves for a local family, and assisted in constructing the foundation for a local primary school. Finally our students experienced a breathtaking African safari, learning about the rich wildlife found in Tanzania.





YEAR 12 TRIP TO MAI CHAU

The trip to Mai Chau was very tiring, but some amazing new experiences were had by all Year 12 which also included their week of service work for the CAS element of the IB course. The trip consisted of a wide range of exciting activities such as beautiful bicycle ride through lush rice paddy fields, supporting to build a road in the local village and teaching English, Art and PE in a local Primary school. All the students felt very proud of the progress they had made and the service offered to the villagers here!







Community Service Activities

This term we have had some wonderful exchanges and visits with Hy Vong school for disabled and deaf children, Nguyen Dinh Chieu school for the blind and the Blue Dragon Children's Foundation. The expectation is that our students give time, energy and commitment to benefit others and in return gain a better understanding for disabilities and empathy for those less fortunate than themselves.





Parent Contributions

We would like to send a big thank you to our parents for their enthusiastic involvement in children's learning & activities during Term II. Parental engagement with children's activities at school remains critical to their performance and achievement.





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