



SmartKids Street 10 talk

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Dear Parents,

It has been a great and full on start to the year at SmartKids Street 10! Our whole team was happy to welcome the children and parents back after the summer break! The children always come back grown and changed after a holiday and we are always excited to see how they've developed.

Over this 1st part of term 1, we have been quite busy celebrating different events: SmartKids' 8th birthday, hosting the International Day party where the Big Kids from all locations participated in - Parent Info Evening where parents got to be "kids" again and explore what we do in Big Kids and a lot more that Ms. Kasia and Ms. Chloë will tell you about in their newsletters!

* **Yellow group:** Ms. Kasia and her team have welcomed a lot of new friends - some of them are our Big Kids' younger brothers and sisters - and that class has now reached its full capacity of 18 children! We can still hear a few cries - from time to time on arrival - as some of them are still settling in but they all seem to adjust well to our routine and enjoy themselves & the fun activities set up at our centers inside the class and outdoors. We are happy to see little groups forming and friendships starting to be built!

* **Red group:** We have had the pleasure to welcome Ms. Chloë - Big Kids' teacher - back to SmartKids in August. She and Ms. Kristina make a dynamic & fun team! The Big Kids will be starting the Jolly Phonics program soon - which teaches the children to identify the different sounds of the letters of the alphabet.

* Just before the October break, we said goodbye to Ms. Claire - last year's Kiddies teacher who was working as a support teacher this year - we were sad to see her go but we are excited for her to start a new adventure in Chile!

* Our **After-school activities in English** have been busy with a larger group this year! These exciting sessions offer a variety of activities such as Cooking, Music, Arts & Crafts, Yoga and more, every Thursday from 3:15 to 4:45 for children from 2.5 to 6 years old. Both SmartKids' children and friends from other schools join these sessions.

* **Something new:** to respond to one of your requests, we have opened an **After-school activity in Vietnamese!!!** This class is run like a regular SmartKids' after-school class but all in Vietnamese. The children are very excited to come each week and improve their Vietnamese language skills through play and songs! It is every Monday from 3:15 to 4:45 and even for beginners.

* Dress up Day

October 31st 2014
Kiddies @ SmartKids Street 10
Big Kids @ SmartKids TND

* Start of Jolly Phonics program - Big Kids only

November 3rd 2014

* Parent-Teacher meetings

November 17-21st 2014

* Visit from Santa

Week of December 15th 2014

* Last day of term 1

December 19th 2014

* Christmas holiday

Dec 22-Jan 12th 2015

* 1st day of new year

January 13th 2015

PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

We will be holding our first session of Parent/Teacher meetings from the 17th to the 21st of November.

During these meetings you will be able to discuss your child's progress in the past months and how we would like to help your child develop further.

Ms. Kasia and Ms. Chloë will also answer questions you may have.