



The St. Stephen's International School Khao Yai Weekly Bulletin

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 1 May—Saturday 6 May

Monday 1 May

ASA Programme Continues

Tuesday 2 May

ASA Programme

A.M. IGCSE Biology

P.M. IGCSE Maths

P.M. AS Level Business Studies

Wednesday 3 May

ASA Programme

A.M. IGCSE English

A.M. IGCSE EASL

P.M. IGCSE Geography

P.M. AS Level Maths

Thursday 4 May

ASA Programme

A.M. IGCSE Chemistry

P.M. IGCSE Maths

P.M. AS Level Business Studies

Friday 5 May

A.M IGCSE EASL

Saturday 6 May

Saturday Dorm Trip



Welcome back after the Songkran holiday. It will be a very busy term for Year 11 and Year 12 who have their IGCSE and AS Level examinations. Good luck to you all. After the Songkran holidays there have been some cases of Covid so do please keep an eye on your child and keep them at home if they have any symptoms—thank you.

Primary News—In Nursery this week, the children started looking at the story of "That's Not My Mermaid" using their sense of touch. They also identified and counted the different sea animals they



saw in the book. KG2 used good oracy skills to talk about their holiday news and wrote a recount on the exciting things they did. They have also started a new topic 'Under the Sea'. The children used their 'pupil voice' to tell us what they would like to learn about. Pirates are a very popular choice.

Year 1 and Year 2 have been exploring ice and water in their IPC lessons this week. The children held ice in their hands and watched it melt in the sun. They have investigated how the temperature of water changes when it is put into a freezer. In English the children have started a new book, called 'The Emperor's Egg'. They will use this book to learn about penguins. Year 3 started a new IPC



topic this week, and tried to make butter from milk. Everyone shook the jars for ages, but they were not successful. Ask the children to explain why! In English students have been learning how to write a biography. Last term their IPC topic was about animals, so they did



some research and wrote about Jane Goodall - a lady famous for her work with chimpanzees. Year 4 are learning about money. Looking at money from different countries and seeing what was the same or different. Targets this week have been converting money from baht to satang or pound to pence and ordering money. The students also enjoyed their IPC topic launch for "Shake It!", looking at states of matter! Year 5 have been learning all about States of Matter as part of their IPC topic, Bake It! They have focussed on how particles behave in each of the states and have looked at the properties of various materials to determine their usefulness. Students did some excellent work on the water cycle and even created their own, miniature version in a bag. In IPC, the Year 6 students started 'Bake it!' They will be finding out about science by making bread. The processes involved in bread-making will teach them how molecules behave in different materials (solids, liquids and gases) and how these materials can be changed.

Clubs in Primary—This week the ASA programme commenced and we saw our students enjoying a variety of exciting activities, from outdoor games to art and everything in between! The first Yoyo Club was a great success. Thankyou to Pensuk for helping! We hope to share some of our tricks with you at assembly.



Reminder!

Children like to learn, explore, and imitate what they see. As a result, parents and guardians are very important role models. In order for children to grow up healthy and strong, good hygiene habits should be promoted at all times. Parents should encourage and support their children to follow these good hygiene habits.

- Washing hands **after** using the toilet or coughing and sneezing
- Washing hands **before** eating
- Cover your mouth when you cough and sneeze
- Stay home if you feel unwell.

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Secondary News

Year 11 have been working extremely hard in both design technology and art to complete all of their coursework. All pupils have now met their deadline, congratulations Year 11! In mathematics this week Year 11 and Year 12 pupils have been revising diligently in preparation for their examinations next week. Year 10 students are currently learning about probability, a fundamental concept in mathematics. They are exploring the basic principles of probability theory, such as sample spaces, events, and probability distributions, and are applying these concepts to solve problems and make predictions in real-world scenarios. As many of the students are away this week on residential camps, Ms. Joy offered to take Year 5 for the first of a series of lessons using the MakeBlock robots.

The students learned about the different types of robots they could make and then spent time taking old ones apart. This will be the beginning of several sessions on robotics and programming that the students will attend.



Songkran Day At the end of last term the Thai department organised an excellent Songkran Celebration. The students had the opportunity to offer alms to the monks in a ceremony to usher in the new year and cleanse oneself of the old. Students and staff had lots of fun playing traditional games in their house teams and eating traditional snacks. It was very nice to see so many parents participating in the Songkran ceremony. We all had a really lovely time on the day.



Dear SISKY, I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Mr. Chris and I am the new PE teacher. I have 8 years teaching experience in the UK before moving to Australia for a year to work and travel. Since then, I have worked in France, Germany and Thailand. I have big ideas for the PE department and how the subject is taught at SISKY, including teaching outstanding lessons and helping to broaden the PE extra-curricular activities. I am very excited and motivated for this new challenge at St. Stephen's International School and I look forward to meeting you all as soon as possible.