



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



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## Wai Kru Day


Thursday 22 September was Wai Kru where students undertake a pledge to be good students and pay respect to their teachers. Each Homeroom worked together to make beautiful flower trays, which they later presented to their Homeroom Tutor. In the Wai Kru Ceremony there were some lovely musical and dance performances and the students undertook their school pledge to be good students. The students then paid respect to their teachers, which is a very humbling experience for all of the teachers concerned. Photos are below.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY


Monday 19 September – Saturday 24 September

- Monday 19 September**  
ASA Programme
- Tuesday 20 September**  
ASA programme.
- Wednesday 21 September**  
ASA Programme  
Fun Run House Event
- Thursday 22 September**  
Wai Kru Ceremony  
ASA Programme
- Friday 23 September**  
ASA Programme
- Saturday 24 September**  
Dorm trip— Dream World





## a reminder:



- Students should be reading both English and Thai books for 15 minutes each every day at home.
- Parents can help their children's reading by listening to them and completing their reading logs.

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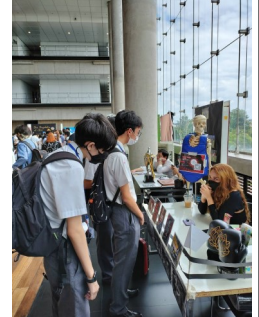


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### University Visits

Students in Year 11 and Year 12 visited Mahidol University on Tuesday 20 September, accompanied by Dr. Paeng the School Director and Ms. Nan the University and Careers Counsellor. The purpose of the visit was to raise awareness of applying to university and to learn more about university life. The students found out about courses that the university offered and how to apply to universities in Thailand. Some of the current university students shared their experience of university life including talking about their studies and some exciting clubs that they are in. Our students were very impressed at the facilities that the university is able to offer.



### Year 9 Art Trip

Last week, year 9 attended a watercolour painting workshop with a Master watercolour artist at The Secret Art Garden, Pak Chong. During the day, pupils were shown the importance of using the correct brushes and were taught how to produce a landscape scene in watercolours. They were then taken on a tour of the Secret Art Garden and shown the artist's private artwork collection.



### Year 9/11 Science Trip

On Friday 16 September the Year 9 students and Y11 biology students visited the Siriraj Museum in Bangkok. This is usually a regular trip for each year and some former students such as Kara and Patch have found inspiration here to subsequently study medical sciences at university. There were four relevant exhibitions within the museum that relate to their studies. The Pathology Museum had displays about genetic inheritance and disorders. In the Forensic Medicine Museum there were images of how the medical teams helped in the aftermath of the 2004 tsunami, showing the resilience of the Thai people dealing with such a terrible event. The Parasitology Museum provided a great deal of information on the causes of many tropical diseases, and was a strong reminder for students to only eat thoroughly prepared food! The Anatomical museum had body system displays that provided the opportunity for students to measure long bones and complete calculations to estimate the heights of people. Our students worked hard reading information displays, taking notes and discussing their observations. They were model ambassadors for St Stephen's in their attentiveness, behaviour and conduct during the museum tour.



### Primary

This week Year 1 and Year 2 students have been learning about recounts in the form of newspaper articles. They have been learning to orally rehearse a newspaper article ready to start writing it next week. In IPC the children have had a science focus. They have been using their senses to explore and sort materials into different criteria. Year 3 have continued their text, Zeraffa Giraffa. The story involves the transport of a giraffe from Africa to Europe, France. As part of their learning students have used their Atlas, drawn a map (including a key) and carried out research on the Internet to find out information about The Nile, The USA and France. Everyone has also learned a few words in French! Year 4 have been writing diary

entries in role, as characters from their class novel. The students have also been learning about solving problems using rounding and counting back into negative numbers. The focus in IPC has been researching similarities and differences between a number of countries. Year 5 students have been writing fantastic poems based on the magic box. They are rewriting them with the title 'the magic door'. The students have worked hard on their figurative language and creating pictures with words. Soon they will be combining their magic doors from their art lessons with their writing in English. Look out for a display of work - Coming soon! In IPC, the Year 6 students continued researching the Romans. They planned and designed their own Roman shield and helmet, incorporating what they have learned so far about the Romans, and created a final sketch of their proposed work. They then created their shield and helmet, appropriately choosing the required colours, materials and techniques.