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Message from the Principal - Toddlers, Early Years & Primary



Rachel Crossland
Early Years & Primary Principal

Dear Parent/Guardians,

On Thursday we gathered for our traditional Wai Kru ceremony - our classrooms were filled with beautiful flower trays and our corridors were filled with the wonderful aromas and scents which symbolise this heartwarming day in our school calendar. We were humbled by the kindness and affirmations that our community provided - thank you ! I would also like to thank our wonderful Thai Team for the amazing organisation and sentiment that was felt by us all during Thursday's celebrations.

To echo these thoughts, I would like to shine a light on our fantastic Teaching Team who are much more than simply educators - they are your children's guiding lights, their second parents, and the mentors who mold their characters and inspire growth. Everyday they are looking for potential in your children even when your children do not see it or believe it in themselves. At this time of year particularly, we offer our deepest gratitude to our staff - thank you for your endless patience and belief in our students.



This week in pictures


















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How to support your child's Reading Journey through Phonics

Calling all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents!

WED
OCT
07

8.30–9.30am
SBS Bangkok Library
Refreshments available

Led by Ms Rachel Crossland, EY & Primary Principal, and Mr Sean, ESL Lead

Invitation and full details in your inbox next week

Good News from the Basketball Court!

I am delighted to report that our U15 basketball Team has continued their success both Home and Away with the following results over the last two weeks. Congratulations to all involved.

U15 Boys Game Results: Sept 15
SBS Bangkok - 80
TSI - 17

U15 Boys Game Results: Sept 23
SBS Bangkok - 69
SBS Rangsit - 23

If your child would like to get involved in Basketball at SBS Bangkok, please encourage them to see Mr PJ or Mr Jimmy.

First-class Phonics!

In last week's 'Primary Pulse' I mentioned our daily Phonics Programme which is now well underway for our Reception to Year 2 classes. Please can I remind you once more to purchase an SBS Bangkok Book Bag for your child as soon as possible if they are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2. Home Reading Books will be sent out next week. Our recent Read Write Inc training is now completed and our Phonic Teaching Team cannot wait to deliver their new ideas and innovative approaches to read from next week!

Let's Talk....!

When I was at school (a VERY long time ago), periodically each of us had to take turns in an activity called 'show and tell'. This was a common classroom ritual where each of us had to bring an item from home to show our friends and talk about it. More often than not this was an uncomfortable two minutes when most of us said nothing, went red and felt very embarrassed.

At SBS Bangkok we intentionally provide constant opportunities for our children to develop their oracy skills. We believe that developing strong communication and oracy skills during early childhood creates the essential foundation for cognitive growth, literacy, and emotional self-regulation. We are constantly creating opportunities for children to articulate their thoughts, listen actively, and express their feelings verbally. I was reminded of this when I went to see our Nursery A children who were very busy practicing THEIR oracy skills!

Talented Toddlers!



This week, our Toddler A and B pod has been learning, playing and exploring together through our new theme, “Exploring Our Learning Environment.” This simple theme has elicited some quite sophisticated learning, with children developing their vocabulary, movement, tour planning, and navigational skills. This was all wrapped up in the simple process of play!

I was reminded again this week about the power of play and ‘story-telling’, and that this can lead to the most amazing ‘eureka moments’ and deep learning. Well done Toddlers!





Early Oracy - Ms Shalane (Early Years Lead Teacher)



This week in Nursery, we have been learning all about families. The children have enjoyed talking about their own families and learning the names of different family members. We have talked about brothers and sisters and whether we have any in our own families. It has been lovely to hear the children sharing little stories about the people who are important to them.

During this simple activity the children have been busy building the neural and social scaffolding that is required to navigate complex interactions and communications with others.

This early mastery links directly to the 21st-century skills (specifically our 4 'C's of which communication is one). By practicing oral expression in this way, our Nursery children are learning how to frame questions, negotiate ideas with their friends and evaluate different perspectives. This early oracy will transform our youngest learners into adaptive, collaborative thinkers who can comfortably navigate an increasingly interconnected world.

The children also brought in a family photo and had the chance to come to the front of the class and tell everyone who was in their picture. They practised naming each person, including themselves! It was a great opportunity for the children to build their confidence when speaking in front of their friends, while also helping them recognise and talk about the special people in their families.







Wai Kru - A message from Khun Tuktik



Early Years

Our Toddlers, Nursery and Reception students enjoyed a special Wai Kru activity in the library. They listened to a story about how teachers care for and help them, and learned that Wai Kru is a Thai way to show respect and say thank you.

The children were very excited to present flowers to their Homeroom Teachers and did a wonderful job taking part. It was a happy and lovely way to learn about Thai culture together. Thank you to all our parents for your wonderful support!

Primary

Our Year 1–6 students had a wonderful time celebrating our Wai Kru Ceremony. In Thai Language and Thai Studies lessons, they learned about Wai Kru, its symbols and how we show respect and gratitude to our teachers.

Students worked together to plan and decorate their class Wai Kru trays, sharing ideas and getting creative along the way. It was a fun and joyful celebration, and everyone was proud of what they created together!



















The Cereal Box Challenge is Back!





Many of you will remember our AMAZING House Cereal Box Service Challenge from last year. Well, it's back! And this year is going to be BIGGER and BETTER! We want to try to break our SBS Bangkok record and cover at least 2 floors of the primary school. So, please begin to add a couple of boxes to your shopping list. Boxes can be donated from Monday in the Early years playground. All proceeds will be donated to our partner Service initiatives.

Upcoming Events

Please see below for our upcoming events and Key Dates. Can I draw you attention to our upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences (PTC's) which take place the week starting Monday 19th October.

Sports Fixtures: BISAL Super League Games

- **Wed 30 Sept, 3:30pm** - U13 Girls Basketball vs Anglo 64 @SBS Bangkok Sports Hall
- **Wed 30 Sept, 4:30pm** - U13 Boys Basketball vs Anglo 64@SBS Bangkok Sports Hall

Key Dates

- **Wed 7 Oct** - House Cereal Box Challenge
- **Wed 7 Oct** - Phonics Workshop for Reception - Y2 Parents (8.30am - 9.30am)
- **Friday 9th Oct** - Report 1 PUBLISHED
- **Fri 9 Oct** - Staff INSET DAY (no school)
- **Fri 9 Oct** - School Breaks up for Half Term
- **Mon 19 Oct** - Term 1B begins
- **Mon 19 Oct** - PTC Week (see below)
- **Fri 30 Oct** - Halloween Dress-Up Day and Trick or Treat activities (More info to follow)

Parent-Teacher Conference (PTC)

PTC Schedule			
Year Group	**Date**	**Time**	**Teachers**
Yrs 1- 6	Mon 19 & Wed 21 October	3.30pm - 5.30pm	Homeroom Teachers
Toddlers & EY	Tues 20 & Thurs 22 October	8.45 - 11.30am	Expat Teachers
Yrs 7, 8 , 9	Tues 20 & Thurs 22 October	3.30pm - 5.30pm	Homeroom & subject teachers

Reminders

Late Pick-up:
Please remember that children who are picked up late will be supervised in the Library. EY late pick-up grace period: 2.15pm-2.45pm (after which a charge will be applied). Primary (Y1-3) late pick-up grace period 3.10pm-3.40pm (after which a charge will be applied).

Medication protocols
I would like to kindly ask for your cooperation regarding any medication that is brought to school for your child to take during school hours. For the safety of your child and to ensure that the medication is administered correctly, please make sure that all medication brought to the infirmary, (do not drop-off medication to the main reception) ensuring that it is clearly labelled with the following information:

- Student's full name
- Students Class
- Name of the medication
- Dosage / amount to be taken
- Time the medication should be taken

If possible, please keep the medication in its original packaging or container with the appropriate label. This information is important to help the school nurse administer the medication safely and accurately. Thank you very much for your support and cooperation.

Lost property
Please can I ask you to check the lost property area in the EY Playground for any lost items. They will be displayed on the last week of this Half-Term after which they items will be upcycled or donated - thank-you.



Uniform

Please avoid wearing non-school uniform to school, such as jumpers, jackets and cardigans. The correct uniform can be purchased from our Uniform shop. **Please ensure that school shoes for Y1-Y8 are black only with no additional colour or markings.** Trainers should only be worn with PE kit. Please refer to Uniform regulations in Students and Parents handbook page 40-41.

Homeroom teachers will be carrying out uniform checks next week and informing parents via seesaw when uniform does not meet expectations. Please help this process by ensuring that school uniform reflects guidelines and is appropriate - thank you.

Parent Handbook

May I politely signpost you to the Parent Handbook which is a very useful reference for you. It contains a wealth of information on our policies and processes.
https://drive.google.com/file/d/18iS6njk6hGwAxJyrw46umlYdy2Ly8ewc/view?usp=sharing

Communication Protocols
Line Application - This is only to be used if you wish to connect with our Admissions team. Primarily this is used by prospective parents wishing to know more about the school, so busy traffic through this channel can mean a delay in response time. Please **do not** use the Line Application other than to discuss Admissions related issues.

Email - Google Mail (and Google Chat) - Other than a phone call or face to face meeting, this will become the only way of communicating with:

- Finance (finance@sbsbangkok.ac.th);
- School Manager (schoolmanager@sbsbangkok.ac.th);
- School Receptionist (receptionist@sbsbangkok.ac.th)
- Principals (gcrumbie@sbsbangkok.ac.th and rcrossland@sbsbangkok.ac.th);
- Head of School (ncrossland@sbsbangkok.ac.th).

Closing

As we wrap up another wonderful school week, I want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support and partnership. Seeing our students show such thoughtful respect and appreciation during our Wai Kru ceremony was deeply moving, and we are so grateful for your help in preparing them for this meaningful tradition. Thank you for working alongside us to reinforce our schools C.O.R.E. values and for helping your children to nurture a culture of respect and gratitude. Wishing you and your family a restful and relaxing weekend!

Warm regards,
Rachel Crossland
EY and Primary Principal


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