



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



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Poetry Week

The walkway to the canteen has transformed into a colourful literary landscape with over 50 poems written by students in English, Thai and Mandarin. The focus this year is reading aloud and listening to poetry... inspired by the phrase "I'm all ears"... meaning listening intently. Thank you for all the colourfully illustrated contributions. I hope they bring colour to the week and illuminate our minds.

Primary

This week, in mathematics, Year 1 and Year 2 have been measuring and comparing mass. In English the students have been writing poems ahead of poetry week next week. Year 3 have started their new IPC topic, 'Feel the Force'. After watching the cutting down of a tree on a video, the children went outside and drew a tree on the field. Then they put in lines to show the direction, and what force would be needed, to bring that tree down. Fantastic artwork and brilliant thinking skills. In IPC, the Year 4 students started 'Feel the Force!' They examined 'push and pull' forces that need contact with an object and then compared how things move on surfaces by investigating the distance travelled of a toy car over different surfaces, and so started to consider 'gravity and friction'. Year 5 are starting to write their own mystery stories. They have been reading a class novel to help inspire them and are working hard with their vocabulary, sentence structure and story progression. Students are creating suspense through a variety of literary tools. Year 6 have been learning about area and perimeter in mathematics. The students learned the formulas for calculating the area of rectangles, triangles and parallelograms. They also learned to calculate surface area.

I'm All Ears

Can you hear more than mere words?

More than your voice

I hear your heart

Listening carefully

is more than a choice

It's more like an art

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 21 March— Saturday 26 March

Monday 21 March
Learning in school.
ASA programme

Tuesday 22 March
Learning in school.
NGRT tests
ASA programme

Wednesday 23 March
Learning in school.
NGRT Tests
ASA programme

Thursday 24 March
Learning in school.
NGRT Tests
ASA programme

Friday 25 March
Learning in school.
NGRT Tests

Saturday 26 March
Dorm Activity - Orienteering

Uniform Reminder

Could all parents of students in Kindergarten to Year 13 please ensure that their children are wearing proper black shoes. Trainers or shoes of any other colour are not part of the school uniform and should not be worn to school—thank you. Tutors will be in contact the parents of any students who are not wearing correct shoes.

Admissions Officer

I am very pleased to announce that we have appointed a new Admissions Officer. Ms. Nok will be starting on Monday 21 March. Any admissions related matters should be referred to her at admissions_ky@sis.edu.

Odd Socks Day

Please remember to wear odd socks on Monday 21 March and bring your 10 baht to support the Down Syndrome Charity.

Rafts, Racing and Team Building

As part of a task-based learning approach and team-building exercise, the Year 7s built rafts from PVC pipe, plastic bottles and rope. The students had to follow instructions in learning how to tie knots and lash the pipes together. The ultimate aim was to work as a team constructing a raft that they could paddle in a race. When race-day came, the students leapt onto their rafts and in some cases, into the water, to battle it out. In the end Team Genji, Ton Ton and Matthew won with Team Sakura, Nia, Milk and Proud winning the best team effort prize.



BUILDING



RACING



WINNING

Line Official

Our school has created an official Line account. This is one of the channels we will be using for communication. Please scan the QR code or add our Line ID : @st.stephenskhaoyai for more updates and information.



NGRT Tests

Students in Year 2 to Year 10 will take a 30 minute NGRT reading test next week to assess their progress in reading. This is done in normal lessons and no preparation is required.

a reminder:

All government regulations for the school to open must be followed. Below are some key examples:

- Stay at home if you have any covid symptoms!
- Masks must be worn.
- Maintain a distance of 1.5 M from others.
- Complete the ThaiSaveThai app every day **before** coming to school.
- No food to be brought into school from outside of the school.

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