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## UDON THANI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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# Wai Kru day at UDIS



### K1 - Celebrating Golden Time

Learners in KI have been really excited about 'Golden Time' every Friday and we have been looking carefully at our learner profile dinosaurs each day to ensure we are kind and helpful. We are taking turns, sharing and we are responsible for things we use in our classroom.



Year 1/2 - Getting into arts! Students in year 1 and 2 have been working hard to create beautiful 2D shape collages. They identified various shapes and colours then honed their fine motor skills by cutting out the shapes in order to create a collage. Great Job Year 1/2!



#### Y5/6 - PYP Exhibition

We have begun to think about our PYP Exhibition and how our learners can demonstrate the skills they have learned over the PYP. We have chosen our central idea which is Actions can make a BIG change. We have been finding out about what a PYP exhibition is and will be talking with Year 7 about last year.

# Message from the school

Last week we celebrated 'Wai Kru' day (Teacher appreciation day) with a socially distanced event in our new auditorium. This was a wonderful chance to celebrate the importance of Thai culture within our school and recognise our talented and hardworking teachers. A big thanks also to Mook and JJ for their wonderful MC'ing.

Wai Kru day is a chance for our learners to learn about Thai culture. At each ceremony learners had the opportunity to pay respect to the three most important elements in Thailand which include the country (represented by the Thai flag), religion (represented by the Buddha statue and candle lighting) and the King (represented by the King's image).

Usually, learners would pay respects to the teacher by offering a tray decorated by flowers, joss sticks and candles. This year, due to Covid, our learners gave teachers day cards instead. Overall, it was a lovely event for all.



Student success - Year 1/2

Jeanette in Year 1/2 decided to use her imagination at home to create her own personal organiser. It comes with a pencil, paper, sharpener and rubber all attached. This is the kind of courageous thinking we like to promote in the Year 1/2 class. Great job, Jeanette!



Languages at UDIS - Thai Our Thai classes have been focusing on our celebration of Wai Kru. This is a good opportunity for our learners to learn more about Thai culture from these activities to provide respect to our teaching staff. Learners paid respect by making teacher's day cards to give to their teachers.



Arts - Performance showcases MYP students have been learning about music notation, chord progressions and playing instruments in groups. We have added vocal exercises and a performance showcase with Mook singing a popular Korean song, Michelle singing a Japanese pop song while Prue shared her study of Beethoven's Fur Elise. Great work by all!



Health and safety - Swimming safety Year 1/2 were excited because it was finally our turn to take the plunge and go to learn about water safety and swimming with Mr Xavi.Swimming is a great opportunity for our learners to develop confidence in the water.



Community update - House teams at UDIS

At UDIS our learners are part of the Black, Blue, Green, Yellow or Red house teams. These house teams come together for house assemblies and special events to build up teamwork and to compete against each other.

### **Upcoming events**

10-19 October	Half term break
19 October	
	Teachers only day #1
23 October	Chulalongkorn Day
	holiday
2 November	Loy Krathong event
10 November	Science day event
3 December	Father's day event
7 December	King Rama IX
	Birthday holiday
11 December	Christmas festival
11 December	End of Term 1
4 January	Teachers only day#2
5 January	Start of Term 2









