

UDON THANI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Our vision is to inspire internationally-minded, balanced learners who thrive and become active global citizens.

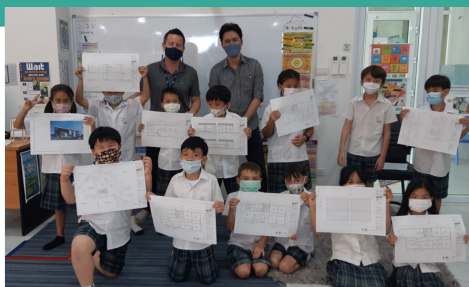


International day at UDIS



K2: How the world works!

Our Unit of Inquiry focus is 'How the world works'. We have been inquiring about different materials and their properties: plastic, paper, metal, glass, fabric and wood. The children used their thinking skills to place pictures into material categories.



Y3: Meeting Mr. Pete

Our current UOI focuses on the design of structures and buildings so we talked with the architect of our new PY building, Mr Pete. We learnt that an architect needs to be good at art, math and science. Mr Pete was very impressed with our class because he said he had never seen 7/8 year olds using Google SketchUp for Schools before!



Y7/8: Exploring maps

Learners have been exploring different types of maps. They took part in a treasure hunt where each group created a map of the school campus hiding 'treasure' in different locations. They then exchanged their maps with others to see if their peers could find their treasure. Great fun!

Message from the school

This week we celebrated international day on Thursday which is a chance for our learners to delve deeper into their understanding of their own identity and values. This year we put on a completely different style of event where it was largely student led. Learners worked in teams to research about their assigned countries and then to work out how they would present their learning to the rest of the school. With teams comprising learners from KI to Year 8, this was undoubtedly messy but the kids had a lot of fun working together with the pressure of a real-life deadline of a performance to put on.

While parents were not part of international day, we plan to celebrate our Songkran event as a full school event at the end of this term. This is also planned as a halfday. This will be a great opportunity for us to learn more about the Thai culture and its importance to our school, just before the Songkran holiday. To link into this event, we will also be releasing a special video to our parents about the Thai curriculum at UDIS. So please look out for that!

Please also look out for our student led conferences (SLC's) which are coming up at the end of this month. This is a great opportunity for our learners to show you what they have been learning about in school. It's really powerful when learners can take responsibility for their learning and the SLC's are a great opportunity for them to do this.



Student success: Pyne (KI)

We know that learners at a very young age have talents that they like to show and teach others about. Pyne is a great example of this. He has a passion for space and everything about space and planets. He can tell you about all the moons each planet orbits and what he likes about gravity. Well done Pyne!



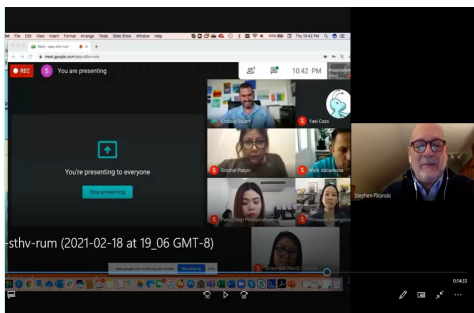
EAL: Celebrating diversity

Our learners have been promoting cultural diversity by celebrating the International Mother Language Day. They have been using their collaboration, thinking and communication skills in preparing their presentation for the assembly. Well done for being risk-takers!



PSPE: Back in the water

This week we had a chance to return to swimming again. We learned that swimming is a great workout because it keeps our heart rate up and helps to take stress from our body. In addition, our learners had lots of fun either playing fun, water games or practicing their swimming skills.



Board report: 0% fee increase

On Friday 19 February the Board held its second meeting of the year. Notably at this meeting the Board reviewed plans for the school budget for 2021/2022 and agreed that school fees will not be increasing next year. ISS also conducted training to help our Board understand the importance of their roles as well. The next meeting will be in May.



Welcome Ms. Ann & Ms. Patama

We welcome Ms. Ann back to UDIS as a member of our school office team. Ann was a very popular member of our school and we are so happy for her return. We are also welcoming Ms. Patama who is helping out in KI and will be our new KI nanny from April as well. Great to see our team growing!

Upcoming events

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| Postponed | Sports day event |
| Postponed | Year 4-8 camps |
| 2 April | Songkran event |
| 2 April | End of Term 2 |
| 19 April | Start of Term 3 |
| 3 May | Labor day substitute holiday |
| 8-14 May | CIS Team visit (Virtual) |
| 24-25 May | Half term break |
| 3 June | Queen Suthida's Birthday |
| 18 June | Final day of Term 3 |
| 9 August | Start of Term 1 2021/2022 |



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