

UDON THANI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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



Global Play Day



K1: Inquiring minds

During one of our online sessions, we have been inquiring about different materials. We started by looking at floating and sinking, and looked around our homes to find things that float and things that don't. We have been sharing our thoughts and trying to understand the deeper concepts of what is going on.



Y1 class update

Y1 Class has been exploring various celebrations and how important they are to our culture. We have been inquiring about the current Chinese New Year: The year of the Tiger and what that means to many people around the world. Y1 has been busy creating its own holiday for February 23rd and we will celebrate "Chicken Day". We have been busy designing cakes, creating art and decorations and we are even making our own Chicken Pinata.



Y4: Investigating spending equity

We have been learning about how the distribution of wealth affects communities and individuals through the role of government. Learners have inquired into how governments spend tax money and developed their own posters illustrating their own fictional run for Udon Thani mayor and the choices they would make. Voting was opened to see who might be the winner!

Message from the school

We have been working to survey all stakeholders on the appropriateness of our school vision statement (UDIS inspires internally-minded, balanced learners who thrive and become active, global citizens.) and how well our stakeholders believe we are achieving this. We are really pleased to report that our parents, students, teachers and Board are overwhelmingly in favour of our school's vision for the school. This is so important as this shapes the programmes and services we offer and will be a central focus of our upcoming five year strategic plan.

It was also wonderful to see that our stakeholders believe our learners are becoming more balanced in their learning, through focusing on all areas not just academics. Our learners are becoming more internationally minded (e.g. through our upcoming international week in March). Our learners are thriving and succeeding in their learning (e.g. through success in recent provincial competitions but also through having fun with their learning). Our learners are taking action to improve themselves and their local community (e.g. through the student councils donation drive). We will continue working hard to achieve our vision for the school.

Finally, we have our third Board meeting of the year on Friday. The Board is an important body that oversees the school's successful operation. Parents can always pass on any concerns or topics for discussion to our parents representatives. You can find more information about our current Board here: <https://www.udis.ac.th/en/about-us/people/executive-school-board/>



Y7: Getting into play

Play is so important for all the children at UDIS and our Year 7 learners really enjoyed celebrating Global Play Day this year. The most popular game of choice was UNO. Global Play Day has allowed the learners in our class a fun opportunity to have some enjoyable social interactions with one another and to develop more community.



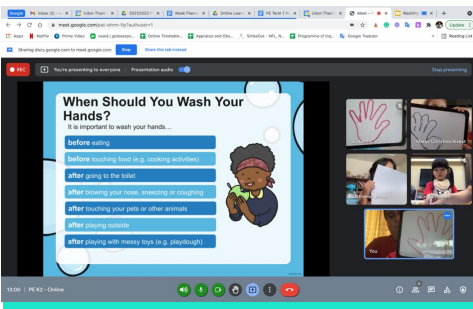
Student success: Vanilla in K2

Vanilla has been a part of UDIS since K1. She has always had an excellent attitude to learning, which has continued during online learning. Vanilla always completes the activities set each day and also challenges herself, especially with her phonics. She is an excellent example of the learner profile in being principled, open-minded and a risk-taker.



EAL at UDIS: What are you wearing?

Our learners in Year 5 have been getting more familiar with using clothes vocabulary in speaking and in writing. We used simple adjectives and the sentence structure "He/She is wearing ___" to describe what someone is wearing. We enjoyed designing new clothes for the character 'George' in the story "The Smartest Giant in Town".



PSPE: Learning about wellbeing

In addition to our practical activities, EY students had a chance to learn more about wellbeing and how to keep ourselves healthy and clean during COVID. We talked about daily healthy practises that will protect our little learners, such as washing hands, brushing their teeth, drinking lots of water and making sure we exercise our bodies regularly.



Student council

Mr. Raimund Wagner President of Volunt2Thai Project came to pick up donations on 8 February from the UDIS U share charity project run by our Student Council. Thank you to all for your support as part of our students' community service project.

Upcoming events

- 13 February ATK tests for Preschool, K1, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y7
- 27 February ATK tests for K2, Y4, Y5, Y6, Y8, Y9
- 28 February - 4 March International week
- 13 March ATK tests for Preschool, K1, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y7
- 26 March EY and PY open house
- 27 March ATK tests for K2, Y4, Y5, Y6, Y8, Y9
- 5 April PYPX event
- 6 April Songkran event
- 6 April Last day of Term 2
- 19 April First day of Term 3
- 19 April ATK tests due for all students



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