

# Message from the Head of School

We celebrated our mother tongue day with an assembly on Thursday. 13 different languages were showcased across the school. Students from Preschool to Year 13 took part to learn about these different languages and complete some fun activities. This was a great opportunity for our different language learners to make connections with others in the school and also to help spread awareness of the languages they speak at home. Thank you to everyone who took part in this assembly.

Last week we also completed our Middle Years camp at Khao Yai. The students had the chance to conduct community service activities while learning about the natural environment and how they can help preserve these spaces. The 3 day and 2 night camp will certainly be a highlight for our students when they reflect on this academic year. We also completed some community service activities over the past few weeks. Our Year 12 students and Year 4 class both separately visited the Udon Thani Home for Girls and raised and collected donations for them. Thanks to everyone who contributed. It is important to us to be able to give back to our community.

Finally, we have our last school open day of the year on Wednesday 5 March. This will be a chance to trial within our school for new parents. Please help us support this open day by passing this on to friends and family who are interested in our school.

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### K2 : House builders

Our K2 students had so much fun creating their own houses as part of our Unit of Inquiry! They used different materials to build unique homes, thinking about how houses can look different around the world. It was a wonderful, creative experience for everyone!

# Year 2 : Full STEAM ahead

During STEAM Week, Year 2 students took on the challenge of building the strongest bridge. Working within a set budget, they carefully selected materials they believed would create the most stable and durable structure. Through testing and reflection, students applied the scientific method to refine their designs and strengthen their engineering skills.



## Year 4 : Community service

This week, we had the privilege of visiting the Udon Thai Home for Girls, where we presented donations of clothes and toys. We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all those who contributed to this meaningful activity. We believe the learners gained a deeper understanding of empathy, especially towards those who are less fortunate than themselves.



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### Year 6: Preparing for PYPX



The Year 6 students have been busy preparing for the exhibition which is coming up in the next unit. They have been working with different PY, MY, and EY teachers to better understand the theme of sharing the planet. Ms. Phibz guided us through the different stages of the inquiry process with a surprise at the end – a bunny!

#### Science in the Senior Schooa



Our Year 7 and 8 students investigated the presence of simple sugar like glucose and starch in various food products as part of their lab investigation in Biology. They used Benedict's solution to test for sugar and lodine solution to test for starch. They observed colour changes when the solution is added to the sample; it's a way to qualitatively analyse food for these key nutrients.



# Ms Daphnie our Senior School Science teacher

Along with my love for science, I have a profound appreciation for nature. I love the outdoors, especially kayaking on calm waters and spending time at the beach. The sun glistening on the sea brings me joy, and I find peace in the waves.





## English@UDIS - Sequencing words



Our EAL learners have started focusing on using sequence words and adverbs in writing clear instructions. We kicked off the lesson by learning how to make hot cocoa, and then each of us had a go at writing our own set of instructions, incorporating the new vocabulary we've been practicing. We took a moment to reflect on the skills we were demonstrating and identified three learner profiles: risk-taker, thinker and communicator.

### Board

The UDIS Executive School Board met on Friday 7 February to confirm the coming year's budget and school fees. Dr Lindsay updated the Board on events and activities at the school and we discussed the coming years strategic targets as well. Staffing for our international teachers for next year is almost complete as well. We are developing so well as a school and we will be excited to share new developments for next year soon.

#### Upcoming events

21 February Year 3 camp 7 March International mindedness day 7 March Term 3 invoices due 10 March Translanguaging and bilingualism parent cafe 14 March Personal Project fair 17 March Transition in Junior School parent cafe 19 March Eearly Years stay and play session 24 March The TOK Exhibition parent cafe 27 March Senior School careers day 4 April Songkran festival 4 April End of Term 2

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