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## **International School Eastern Seaboard**

**May 13, 2011**

Dear ISE Community,

The period between Songkran and the end of the school year has always been a busy time and this year has been no different. We have finished our MRISA sports seasons with HS basketball, and MS soccer. Congratulations to all the players and their coaches for a job well done.

### **Cinderella**

I would like to mention our production of Cinderella that was held on April 29. Our drama team presented a wonderful rendition of the play. While we all know the story, it was great to see our ISE thespians on stage in their excellent costumes. Many, many people put their time and talents into the production. Mr. Michael Headley is retiring this year and put on a wonderful final play for the community. I would mention Anya Walmsley who was the stage director. Please be sure to read about the play in this edition of the Express.

### **Thank you, Parents**

Our annual Parent Appreciation Tea was a big success. I want to personally thank all the parents who give so freely of their time and talents to improve the programs at ISE. Their work enhances the experiences of our children. Thank you.

### **Class Registration**

Several parent/student meetings have been held over the past month to introduce everyone to the classes and programs to be presented next year. I want to thank the parents for coming to the meeting in such large numbers. We are currently working on the master schedules in the elementary and secondary schools and will be finished by the end of the school semester. The current grade 5 students and parents will have their middle school orientation and class registration meeting on June 2. Please be sure to attend. If you have any questions, please be sure to contact the school.

### **Summer Camp**

We will be holding two sessions of our annual ISE summer camp. Materials have been sent home. If you have not seen them, please call the school office and we will send home a set. The information is also available on our website. If your child is in ESL and/or has enrolled at ISE since January, she/he should attend at least one of the sessions. It is very important that the student continue their study of the English language over the summer holiday. We don't want them to lose the command of English that they have gained this year.

### **Fine Arts Festival**

Our annual celebration of the arts will take place on May 26 and 27. Parents are invited to the performances on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>. We will have a change this year, the secondary school band concerts will be held at the school beginning at 1:00 p.m. that day. An invitation will be sent out closer to the day, but please plan to attend.

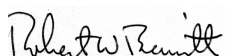
## **PTA Elections**

A notice was sent home last week from the PTA election committee. We are looking for parents who would be willing to give of your time next year to be on the PTA committee. The committee organizes our Family Fun Day and helps out with International Day. Parent involvement is very important to us and we hope you will join the PTA board. The election meeting will be held on May 27<sup>th</sup> right after the Elementary School Concert. Please attend.

Take a look at the events listed below and attend when you can.

May 19-22	MRISA APM @ SSIS
May 26-27	Fine Arts Festival/Spring Concert
May 27	PTA election meeting
May 28	Prom @ Hilton in Pattaya
June 2	Grade 5 parents' meeting
June 3-8	High School Final Exams
June 9	Graduation
June 10	Last day of school
June 13	Summer School begins

Sincerely,



Robert Brewitt  
Superintendent

## **Dear Parents,**

It is hard to believe that we are in the middle of May. We are down to the last four weeks of school. In the elementary school we are beginning our year-end testing. On Tuesday we began the MAP tests. During the week of May 16<sup>th</sup> we will have our all-school write and on May 23<sup>rd</sup> we will begin our developmental reading assessment (DRA). After the testing is complete the teachers will have an opportunity to analyze the results and discuss ways to improve student learning. Assessment is an integral part of education and we are committed to looking at data to improve student learning and teaching practices.

## **Grades 3-8 MAP Tests**

This week students in grades 3-8 took their MAP tests. We will have a parent meeting to distribute the results on May 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am in the Elementary School library. During this session we will also discuss assessment and how you can support your child. If you cannot attend the meeting, the results will be sent home later in the day with your child.

## **Pick Up a Book and Read – PJ Day**

On Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, we will have a special reading day at ISE. Your child is invited to show up in his/her pajamas. Each classroom will have reading activities planned throughout the day. Parents are also welcome to join us while we read.

## **MS Orientation for Grade 5 Families**

On Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, fifth grade families are invited to a middle school orientation in the secondary school library at 3:15 pm. During the orientation, parents will learn about the middle school program and expectations for their child.

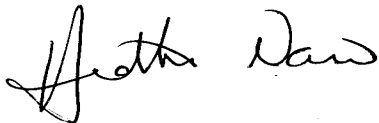
## Departing in June

If you know that you will be moving on in June, please let the school office know as soon as possible. We need to have you complete a student withdrawal form so that we can prepare your papers for your next school. Thanks!

## We have a few school events coming up so please mark your calendars:

- May 20<sup>th</sup> Circus assembly
- May 25<sup>th</sup> Parent MAP meeting 8:30 am in the ES library
- May 27<sup>th</sup> ES music assembly in the cafeteria at 8:15 am
- May 31<sup>st</sup> and Jun 1<sup>st</sup> Grade 5 overnight trip
- June 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade 5 MS Orientation in the SS library at 3:15 pm
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> ES end of the year assembly in the cafeteria at 8:15 am
- June 9<sup>th</sup> Early dismissal 1:00pm
- June 10<sup>th</sup> Last day of school noon dismissal

Thanks for your continued support of ISE,



Heather Naro  
Elementary School Principal

## FOUNTAIN OF LIFE CENTER GOOD SHEPHERD SISTERS

To the Teachers and Students

I. S. E. Pattaya  
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Dear Teachers and Students

13 March 2011

We were delighted with the visit of Ms Megan Eastlake and members of the student body to Fountain of Life Children's Centre on 4th March. I would like you to know that was a big joy for the children in our centre. They are from poor families and they enjoy having visitors who have time for them. At the beginning of this School Year over 60 children from our centre will leave for Government Schools -- the majority, to Kg and Primary School. Some who has been in our centre before will get scholarships to go to Secondary School and a small number to University. We also have a number of children who cannot go to Government. School they are from Cambodia, Burma and Laos. These children are age 8 years to 14 years. They do Non Formal Education through the medium of Thai language. When they pass Grade 6'Government exam, they can go to The Skills Training College, which is under the patronage of the Princess. We hope you can feel part of this effort for the education of tomorrow's adults. Great thanks go to you for your generous donation of 70,000 Baht which will help the education of the children in many ways. All at Fountain of Life wish all of you success in your studies and in your adult life. Hopefully when you go into the big working world you will be able to watch out for people less fortunate than yourselves.

With renewed thanks

Sr Joan (for Children, Staff & Sisters of Fountain of Life)

## Elementary Sports

### Soccer Game and Swim Meet on Tuesday April 26th

Our soccer teams went to Garden and played in two groups with the girls joining Garden girls for a competition. The older group of boys led by Jake and friends went out to a 4-0 lead at half time. They did not look back and ended the game with a 6-1 win. The younger boys had a competitive game and tied the game at 3-3.

### Track and Field meet on Thursday April 28th



Ten brave and daring 3rd to 5th graders took on the track and field events at The Regent's School. They were Connor and Tony in 3rd grade, Young Hyeon, Eun Hyeok, Maria and Yodai in grade 4 and Justin, Jake, Neel and Adam in 5th grade. Quite a few of our young athletes got first and second place in their events. They gave their all to every event and learned that it is important to keep going and to try hard. Thank you to Mr. Garrett for his help in preparing the children for their events and for supporting us on the day.

### Socce Game at St. Andrew's on Monday May 9th



It was really an excellent outing for our teams. The grade 5 boys got two wins in their two games with great teamwork and discipline. Adam, the goalie, made some amazing saves while Jake, Justin and Koch got those essential goals. Andy, Tan and Neel helped fight off the other team in the midfield and defense. Against the odds the two younger teams which included two of our girls, Maria and Brina, won one and played a close game in the other. Yodai and Max were the goal scorers with Jerry, Julian, In Seong and Je Woo playing some tough defense. Connor, Tony and Nathan filled in the midfield. Everyone gave their all and helped each other. It was great to see the team spirit and teamwork.



We are looking forward to the ESAC Invitational this Saturday and a few other sporting events still to come this year. Thank you for your support and interest in our program.

## HIGH SCHOOL PLAY CINDERELLA



April of 2011, the German version of the classic play “Cinderella” was performed on the elementary stage. This play had 10 members on the cast that ranged from grade 6-12. There were many other students who helped with scenery painting, lights and sound, back stage, wardrobe, costumes, master of ceremonies, and directing. The play was a success. Practice was always fun and on task. Special thanks goes to all because our director Anya Walmsley was directing for the first time. Anya and the cast worked very well together. This play was a true test for the students and the cast demonstrated courage, intelligence, patience, and great humor while working together. Andreia, our Cinderella, was in every scene and had to make quick costume changes for her part. Her perseverance and patience were tested but she worked this out with a great deal of class. I was very proud of everyone’s efforts. This was my last play at ISE and I could not have had a better group of students to work with. A heart felt thank you to all for giving me a wonderful performance to remember.





## MRISA JUNIOR FOOTBALL at ISPP MAY 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>

The MRISA season came to a close with the Junior football tournament at ISPP, Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Twenty two ISE players traveled with coaches, Mr. Lees, Mr. Jones and Ms. Maria. The absence of HIS girls meant we were able to take 3 extra girls as part of the MRISA United team. The MRISA United concept was a huge success at our own MRISA, so it was nice to see it being used again. It unites players from different schools and gives more players the chance of that special MRISA experience. This MRISA was played in sweltering conditions, so credit goes to all our players for the tremendous effort they put forth.

### ISE girls reach final 4



The ISE girls arrived as 2<sup>nd</sup> seeds, having finished as runners up last year. They started this tournament strongly beating ISPP Whites 5-0 in their opening game with striker Kanari scoring all 5 goals despite feeling quite ill throughout the game. Next came a match with the MRISA United girls including Chloe, Stacy and Selina from ISE. The United girls fought bravely, and aided by some outstanding goalkeeping kept the score at 3-1 to ISE. Kanari's 2 goals were followed by a long swerving free kick from Sarah Meath that even David Beckham would have been proud of. Bend it like Sarah! The last group game saw the girls lose 3-1 to a very strong ISHCMC side, so leaving ISE with a semi final date with holders and Group A winners - UNIS. MRISA United beat ISPP whites to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> in group B and so enter the plate.



Saturday morning's match with UNIS brought out the best in the team and the girls should be proud of a wonderful fighting performance in losing 4-2. Kanari's 2 goals inspired a spirited second half fight-back. These 2 goals proved to be the only ones scored against UNIS in the last 2 MRISA tournaments – That's 12 games!



Later on this hottest of days, the 3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> play-off saw another ISE fight back. Poor ISE defending on corner kicks left ISE 3-0 down at half time. Then we again saw the best of this team as the girls fought back to 4-3 with 5 minutes left on the clock, before ISPP wrapped the game up with a last second break-away goal in this 5-3 thriller. Meanwhile in the plate semi-final Selina's golden goal for MRISA United became one of this tournament's great memories.

The ISE team was extremely well led by their captains Callie and Kanari. The whole team played and battled very well to round out a fine season. Your coach Mr.

Lees is again proud of you all. The team ISE was Aranya, Emilia, Cherry, Nurul, Callie(Capt), Sarah, Yerin, Arb, Eun Jee and Kanari(Capt). The MRISA united players from ISE were Chloe, Selina and Stacy.

### ISE boys go down fighting (and smiling 😊)



ISE were seeded to play in Group A along with champions UNIS, ISPP and SSIS. As SSIS and ISPP went onto contest the Championship final and so condemn the ever strong UNIS boys to the plate event, it's safe to say that the ISE boys were in the "Group of Death." A Roberto penalty was the only ISE goal as they lost all 3 group games to UNIS (0-7), ISPP (1-6) and SSIS (0-4). Despite these defeats, there were clear signs of improvement in each game, so the boys arrived on Saturday confident of a win in the Plate Semi. This is a team that had gotten used to losing, yet never gives up and always plays with a smile on its face.

So, Saturday was time to re-group and target the consolation pool for the Plate



trophy. A win at last as the boys continued their improvement in brushing aside ISPP Whites 5-2 with a hat-trick from the big striker Yong-Kyu and 2 goals from Roberto. The extent of the ISE boys progress was clear in the plate final as they lost a close rematch with UNIS just 3-1 with Roberto scoring the final goal of this ESAC season. Mr. Jones commented that he was

proud of his team's attitude and of their progress during this tournament. If there ever was a team that proves that sport is not all about winning, this was it! They were Mac, Mike (Capt), Mit, Adounis, Mac, Roberto, Tim, Yuri and Yong Kyu.

**For the Record:**

<b>Girls Winners and Awards</b>	<b>Boys Winners and Awards</b>
Champions: UNIS Runners Up: ISHCMC Plate Winners: SSIS Sportsmanship Award: SSIS ISE All Tournament Team Player: Emilia ISE Goals: Kanari 12, Sarah 1, Arb 1	Champions: SSIS Runners Up: ISPP Plate Winners: UNIS Sportsmanship Award: ISPP Whites ISE All tournament Team Player: Yong Kyu ISE Goals: Roberto 4, Yong Kyu 3

**Summer Camp 2011**

The end of the year is coming fast and it is time to make plans for the summer. We are beginning to register students for Summer Camp. Please check the ISE website for information describing this year's Summer Camp programs. Registration forms are also online. Please read them carefully and fill in the forms. The forms *MUST* be returned to the office *NO LATER THAN MAY 20*. For students who return forms after this date availability may be limited and additional late fees will apply.

Important notes:

- Please return one form per student.
- Please note that the First session is open to *ALL* students currently in Pre-K 3 to Grade 12. The Second Session is available *ONLY* for students currently in Grade 3-12.
- You may register for an entire session, or *ONLY* for the weeks that will fit your busy schedule.
- If you receive a Recommendation Letter on, or after, April 22, to attend Summer Camp please consider the request seriously as it is in the best interest of your child to attend and continue building necessary skills.
- ESL students new to ISE *MUST* attend at least one entire session of Summer Camp.
- Confirmation forms and payment requests with an invoice will be sent out once we receive your registration and the payment deadline will be June 3rd.
- Please do not send any money or come to pay at school until you have received a confirmation form and payment request.

PLEASE return the enclosed forms as soon as possible so that we can plan and offer the most interesting and educational program to suit the needs of all of our students. Please contact Mr. Reiber at [breiber@ise.ac.th](mailto:breiber@ise.ac.th) with any questions or concerns regarding Summer Camp.

Thank you,



**Benjamin Reiber**  
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Summer School Principal  
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Dear ISE Parents,

Although the end of yet another school year is quickly approaching, we still have a few more events. The week of 23 May through 27 May is Teacher Appreciation Week. We have many things planned that week to show our thanks and support to our teachers. One such event is our annual Luncheon to be held on Wednesday, 25 May. Please prepare a dish for the teachers to share on that day. You can send a dish in the morning to school with your child, or you can bring to the ISE Cafeteria by 12:45 p.m.

Many events are happening on Friday, 27 May. The Elementary School Music Assembly will start at 8:15 a.m. After the concert, the final ISE PTA General Meeting will begin. At the meeting the election for the next year's ISE PTA Board will be held. Nomination forms have been sent to each ISE family for you to consider volunteering for next year.

Thank you for your continuing support for our teachers and for ISE! If you have any questions, please contact me at 085-281-2552 or e-mail me at [nmeath@hotmail.com](mailto:nmeath@hotmail.com).

Warmest Regards,

Nena Meath  
ISE PTA President

### **Library Inventory Help Needed!**

Dear Parents:

It's that time of year again! Towards the end of this school year we will again count all of the books in the library and match our computer records with what we find on the shelf. This year, we will inventory the library from Monday May 30 until Friday June 3.

Many parents have been so helpful, doing a wonderful job assisting us with the library inventory. Parents help us to put books in order on the shelves and scan barcodes of books like they do in stores. If you have a few hours to spare during the week of May 30-June 3, your help would be very valuable in ordering our books to help the students.

No English is necessary for these jobs, and you may come with a friend!

If you are interested in volunteering with us for a few hours towards the end of this month, please contact the library or the front desk at ISE.

Thank you in advance!

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## Dumbledore in IB?

How would Professor Dumbledore fare in an IB environment? As the head of the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry he is certainly knowledgeable, principled, caring and risk-taking, so he could hardly be more suitable for IB. He could also run some entertaining CAS programs alongside the potion classes.

Would Principal Figgins of *Glee*'s William McKinley High School fare as well as the fabled wizard? Mr. Figgins seems firm but fair, although he tends to be obsessed with budget concerns and is often blackmailed by the cheerleading coach. However, he doesn't seem very caring and principled, particularly with serving students "prison food" to keep costs down. In an IB program that fosters compassionate thinking, he would certainly need a little reprogramming.

*The Simpsons*' principal at Springfield Elementary, Mr. Skinner, has been around for many years and has faced many challenges with unruly students and a mother who still tells him what to do. Would his experience enable him to successfully work in an IB program? Unfortunately, his attitude can be surmised in what he once said, "I have caught word that a child is using his imagination and I've come to put a stop to it." He would definitely struggle in TOK.

As you can see with the evaluation of these well-known characters, IB expects a lot of our students. The rigorous standards set by the IB program will challenge our students to become principled, caring, and knowledgeable members of a global community. Many of our students do quite well in an IB environment and I would like to commend them for their effort.

Timothy Overacker  
IB Coordinator

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