



International School Eastern Seaboard

Dear ISE Community,

January 14, 2011

I want to wish all of you a Happy New Year. As you know, this is the first of three New Year celebrations as we will have Chinese New Year in February and Songkran in April. We are so lucky to be living in Thailand.

The school is off to a good start. We welcome six new families to ISE. We wish those who have left Thailand all the best in their future endeavors. You will be missed.

We have begun our Thai classes for non-Thai students in the middle school. The Thai teachers have worked hard to develop a program that follows the format set up by the Thai Ministry of Education. The program will offer units dealing with Thai language and culture as well as sport, history, music, and traditional holidays. We will also sample some Thai food. The Thai students will be presenting some Thai games and other youth activities during the Thai Studies Trip in two week's time.

The Secondary School Thai Studies Trips will depart on January 24-25. These exciting trips will take our students to various locations around the country and allow them to experience Thailand in a different way. The trips are all tied into the school curriculum and it is expected that all students will attend. Materials have been sent home to each family. Please be sure to call the school office if you have any questions.

Please note the information about our MRISA soccer tournament. We are hosting 140 visiting students on February 10-13. We need all ISE families to have students from the seven other MRISA school stay with them for three nights. MRISA couldn't exist without our home stay program so please respond to our appeal and have 2, or more, students stay with you. This is not just for secondary parents, but all ISE families. Please call the office for further clarification.

This is a "short" month, but it is filled with activities. Please be sure to check the ISE website for further information.

Sincerely,

Robert Brewitt
Superintendent

Dear Parents,

I trust that you had a nice winter vacation. Your children were eager to get back to work and have adjusted nicely to school life once again. I would like to welcome our new elementary families; the Werachon, the Ramesh, the Barbosa family and the return of the Thisse family.

ASA's Second Semester

The elementary school after school activities are underway. We have many different offerings this semester and are happy that more students than ever are participating in our after school activity program. Thanks to all parents for being able to sign up online using our survey monkey system.

Book Orders

If you ordered books online you should have received them. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our librarian, John Pahls.

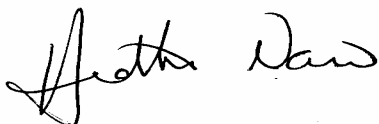
International Day

Mark your calendars for February 23rd. International Day is one of the biggest days at ISE. We will share our performances, food and fun. Everyone is welcome! More details in the upcoming weeks.

We have a number of school events coming up, please mark your calendars:

January 31 st	Dress Down Day
January 31 st	Birthday Table
February 3 rd	PTA General Meeting 8:30am
February 4 th	Grade 3 Assembly
February 4 th	PreK/KG Field Day

Thanks for your continued support of ISE,



Heather Naro
Elementary School Principal

The ISE Winter Concert



Our ISE Winter Concert 2010 at Pattaya's Central Festival Mall plaza was a tremendous success for our students and our school. The very hard and exacting work of learning and refining challenging music came to fruition before a massive and appreciative audience. The effort it took to produce the event was a great example of both teamwork and leadership. Khun Charlie's vision and Dr. Brewitt's support and knowledge really helped us pull together a very ambitious undertaking (lots of planning and organization). The people behind the scenes, particularly Khun Somporn and the mae ban staff, went above and beyond the call of duty to do everything we needed in a timely manner to produce the event. There were several students in the 6th and 7/8 grade bands who were playing an instrument in front of an audience for the first time, not an easy task. Other more experienced students in music

took leadership roles as first-chair players and soloists in the bands. Our high school band's participation in the ISB Massed Band Festival in October helped contribute to an active and vital semester for our music program at ISE.



This semester our concert/jazz band will be participating in the Jazz Connection day at the Harrow International School in Bangkok on March 26. This will be a “massed big band” similar to what we participated in at ISB in October 2010. Workshops will be conducted by members of the Bangkok International Big Band. The 2011 spring semester will build upon the success of the fall semester. Congratulations to everyone involved in the ISE music program.

A Truly International Education with IB

As we are all aware, the world is becoming increasingly connected and integrated, so an effective education should prepare students for successfully tackling the challenges of the future in a fast-paced world. A strong international education can help students better understand the dynamics of the global systems that they will live and work in and should also provide the opportunity to learn other languages. Not only does this provide communication value, but learning different languages supplies a key to understanding the mindset of other cultures. In addition, students who have the experience of a good international education will learn to look at themselves, their own culture, and the world in a broader and more balanced way.

The International Baccalaureate program at ISE is an excellent way of preparing students for the future and it provides a good model of developing international-mindedness and expanding intellectual horizons, so that our students can also bring hope to the world.

Timothy Overacker
IB Coordinator

MRISA Senior Football At ISE February 10-13, 2011

This February, 140 High School Football Players will spend 4 days as our guests as ISE takes it turn to host a MRISA sports tournament.

As is MRISA tradition, we need the help of our ISE families to host these students during the event.

Please take time to read the letters below from Mr. Lees (Athletic Director) and Mrs. Meath (PTA President)



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Dear ISE Parents,

MRISA Senior Football Tournament at ISE, February 10-13, 2011.

We are very pleased to be hosting the 2011 MRISA Senior Football tournament. The Mekong River Association of International Schools (MRISA) is a group of eight schools in Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos and Thailand. ISE participates in sports tournaments, the cultural exchange, the Leadership Summit and the Model United Nations (MUN) programs.

As is the tradition at MRISA events, the host school will house the visiting students. Our students are housed by families at the other schools and it's now our turn to return the favor.

We are looking for ISE families who would be willing to host visiting students for 3 nights from Thursday evening (10 Feb) to Sunday morning (13 Feb). It is always nice to be a part of the MRISA activities and to meet some of the students from our "sister" schools.

The students will arrive on Thursday afternoon, February 10th. You will need to pick them up at school and have them for dinner that evening. Friday, after breakfast, they will need to be delivered to school. We will provide lunch at school during the tournament. Friday evening they will join you for dinner and the rest of the evening. Saturday is the second day of the tournament followed by the Awards Banquet at Burapha Clubhouse. You will be required to take the students home after the banquet. Finally, on Sunday morning they will need to be dropped back at the school.

**If you can help us out, please fill in the form below and send it to Mrs. Nena Meath
281/91 Palanamai # 24, Burapha Golf, M. 4
Tel: 038-372-626, 085-281-2552, nmeath@hotmail.com**

You can also send the form back to Khun Pang in the main office via email or with your daughter/son. Please decide how many students you are able to host and complete the form below. If your children have taken part in previous MRISAs, they may wish to host friends they have met there. If so, please put their names and School on the form too.

We would be more than happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you in advance for your support of ISE and the students.

Sincerely,

Robert Brewitt
Superintendent

Jeremy Lees
Athletic Director

Family Name: _____ ISE Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Contact telephone: _____ email: _____

We are willing to host _____ students during the tournament. **(Please write number).**

We would prefer to host boys / girls **(Please circle your preference)**

We would like to host the following students:

(Please write student name and their school if your son/daughter wishes to host past MRISA friends)

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

PTA News
January 2011

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone enjoyed their holidays! With the new semester under way, we are now preparing for this semester's upcoming activities!

On Thursday, 10 February, 140 students from 3 countries will be arriving at ISE for the MRISA High School Football Tournament – and we need homes for them to stay in during the weekend! We have attached a letter and you will receive a paper copy on Friday. If you can host children, PLEASE send this paper back with your child or give to Khun Pang in the Main Office. All these other schools have hosted our students and we need to do the same! But we also want each ISE family to come and enjoy the football games – and cheer on our ISE Eagles! The games will be played on Friday and Saturday – so bring the family and watch some great football! Come for part of the days, come for all the days – and we will have food and drinks for sale, so you don't have to leave!

ISE's International Day will be on February 23rd – a great day for celebration and, of course, incredible food! Then a few short months later, is Teacher Appreciation Week. We have started preparations for both, and you will receive information soon!

I am looking forward to another great semester and working with each of you on these wonderful projects!!

Nena Meath
PTA President

INTERNATIONAL DAY FEBRUARY 23, 2011

Mark your calendar for ISE's all school International Day Celebration that will be held on Wednesday, February 23, 2011. This special day is not only for students to show national pride but to also recognize the numerous nationalities (over 23) that attend ISE.

Parents are encouraged to attend and watch the morning festivities that will include the flag ceremony, a 45-minute cultural show, the buffet lunch, and other classroom activities. The morning program will start at 8:15 am.

It isn't too early to start planning your child's outfit for International Day. The outfit can be a traditional outfit or may represent a region from your country (for example an American could dress up as a native Indian, cowboy, lumberjack, farmer, or and Atlantic fisherman). Also, parents will be asked by the PTA to contribute a food item that represents their country's cuisine. The food items need to be dropped off in the cafeteria that morning. **Please label your food containers so that they may be returned.**

One of the highlights of ISE's International Day assembly is the cultural performances presented by our students, parents, and teachers. We would like to see as many countries represented as possible. Traditional song, dance, and music selections have been presented in the past. Performances may be presented in a group or individually.

International Day will be a great day, so see you there!

Best Regards,

Bill Hartz

International Day Coordinator

If you are from the following countries, please contact.

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Food coordinator

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INTERNATIONAL DAY 2011

CULTURAL SHOW SIGN-UP

Country represented: _____

Performance type/title: _____

Contact person: _____

Contact phone # or email: _____

Performance length (maximum 6 minutes) _____

Equipment required (indicate number of each):

(Please note, all performances will take place on our newly renovated stage. There will be PLENTY of room on stage for any performance).

_____ CD/tape player _____ microphones

_____ MP3 hookup cable _____ chairs

_____ speakers _____ tables

_____ music stands _____ other

Please list every student performing and his/her grade level below:

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Please submit this form to Mr. Muccino by Friday, February 11th. If you have questions or concerns, please email me at jmuccino@ise.ac.th.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at International Day!!!