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Pathfinders European Adventure

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Ekamai International School

The Christian School that Empowers, Inspires and Serves

Philosophy

True education involves the whole person and promotes the harmonious development of the physical, mental, social and spiritual dimensions of human nature.

Vision

An international Seventh-Day Adventist institution providing a state-of-the-art education, in a Christian environment, to prepare students for the challenges of the 21st century.

Mission Statement

We offer a challenging, Christ-centered academic program and the opportunity for students to exercise and expand their varied abilities and potential. We endeavor to create a climate marked by a sense of God's presence and action in the world, love for one's neighbor and concern for social justice and equality for all people.



Pathfinders in front of the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

Letter from the Director



Dear Parents, Students, Alumni, and Friends:

It is truly an honor for me to serve at Ekamai International School (EIS). For more than 60 years, this school has provided quality education to young people. For many of them, attending EIS was a dream come true. Already, one term has passed and as we enter another, I want to encourage students to explore the many opportunities available in the school.

I struggle constantly to ensure our students receive the education that will prepare them to meet the challenges of tomorrow. EIS is a school committed to providing student-centered education with a strong foundation in Christian values.

Many changes have taken place this year, notably the appointment of section principals. They demonstrate more than my words our commitment to excellence.

EIS endorses high academic standards, but we know education must also be holistic. We see students as physical, emotional, spiritual as well as intellectual beings. Ultimately, our young people will have a global world view supported by a personal relationship with God.

I want to challenge all EIS students to remain diligent and continue to strive for success. In the future, when you reflect on your educational journey, you will realize your years in EIS were enormously rewarding. You will cherish many moments you had in your classes, all the friendships you developed, the various school activities you were involved in, and the leadership training you received.

Lastly, I would like to thank parents for their continuous support. You have done much to make EIS a reputable educational institution. Let us continue to make our school a safe haven for every child.

May God Bless you.
Sincerely,

Rajdeep Takeuchi, MEd.
Director

“One EIS, One Family”

School Fair

From the desk of the Principal for Student Administration

Dear Parents, Students, Alumni and Friends,

I want to invite each one of you to the School Fun Fair at the Ekamai International School which will be held on Sunday, October 30, 2011 from 9:00 am - 3:30 pm. The EIS School Fair Planning Committee has been working very hard for this event. For this reason, we would like to solicit your presence and participation for the development of the school. 20% of the School Fair proceeds will be donated to the flood victims.

This year's fair with the theme “One EIS, One Family” is organized with the following objectives:

- a. To have a purposeful fun as a family of EIS
- b. To promote school spirit and team work
- c. To raise funds for EIS physical plant improvement and development
- d. Improvement of the walkway between the football field and the covered court
- e. Extension of the football field and installation of a proper drainage system
- f. Expansion of playground area for primary and elementary students

We need your support to make these objectives become a reality. Your support in the following areas will be appreciated:

1. Each student will be responsible for selling at least one Fund raising Booklet valued at THB350. For EIS Students and Staff, they can purchase the booklet before the fair at a special price of THB 300 per booklet. There will be prizes worth THB 100,000 to be given away.
2. Parents of students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 will work with the homeroom teachers to set up booths for food or games.
3. High School students will setup at least two booths for each level with the rent of THB 2,000 per booth.
4. Students or classes who want to participate in the entertainment program will have to obtain a registration form from the Administration Office.
5. Commercial booths are available for rent at THB 2,000 per booth (3x3 meters).
6. Sports events will be conducted for students and alumni to be coordinated by the Student Council.

You may also make a generous donation in support of the school's projects. You may send your donation directly to the Director either in cash or in kind.

Thank you for your continual support to make the School Fair a success.

Sincerely Yours,

Beatrice Kootanasan, MEd.
Principal for Student Administration
School Fair Coordinator



Beatrice Kootanasan, MEd.

Importance of Mathematics

From the desk of the Principal for Middle School

Dear Students, Parents, and Friends:

Importance of mathematics for a future career

Many of us know about the advantages of mathematics in our day to day life. Mathematics is all around us such as when we count money or when we go shopping. Mathematics provides tools to the common men to understand the world and how they can change it. These tools include skills required for problem solving, logical reasoning, and the ability to think in various ways.

Why Study Mathematics?

Most of university degrees require mathematics. They are required in all faculties in the universities and we need to prepare our students to handle the challenging math that will be required in their studies later on.

Students who choose not to take mathematics seriously or to ignore it in high school forfeit many future career opportunities that they could have. They essentially turn their backs on more than half the job market. The importance of mathematics for potential careers cannot be over emphasized.

Curriculum Changes in EIS

Curriculum changes have been made at EIS in order to bring the teaching of math to an advance level. Students are encouraged to take the study of mathematics seriously from the lower grades on up. Grade 6 students are required to fulfill four criteria in order to be able to take Algebra 1 in Grade 7 and later, Geometry in Grade 8. The total score for the criteria should not be less than 42 for Algebra and 45 for Geometry with a minimum grade of C- in the math classes attended. Provisions has been in placed to assist students who are not mathematically inclined. They can take High School math instead, which is a simplified math that will enable them to graduate from EIS later on.

I want to urge all students to study mathematics seriously as it will provide a solid foundation to many aspects not only in our studies but also in our daily life.”

Enjoy your Mathematics.

Sincerely Yours,

Jathrow Sikul, PhD
Principal for Middle School



Jathrow Sikul, PhD



Induction Ceremony Adventurer Club



Students from K - Grade 3 standing at attention while singing the national anthem of Thailand

By Mrs. Marivic Ejurango, Adventurer Club Director

August 30, 2011, 7:30 AM was a momentous occasion to remember as Little Lambs, Eager Beavers and Adventurers began their induction into the EIS Adventurer Club. Students from Kindergarten to Grade 4 solemnly pledged their commitment to serve God and humanity.

Adventurer Commander Marc Roy Ejurango (4C) led the Adventurers in reciting the Adventurer Pledge and sang the club theme song followed by an opening prayer by Mrs. Edith Chu, Principal for the Primary School.

Mr. Danai Agartsupa, Education and Pathfinder Director of Thailand Adventist Mission, delivered the opening address, admonishing parents to follow the advice of King Solomon, "Teach children how they should live and they will remember it all their lives. Proverbs 22:6." Later, students and parents placed candles on an altar as a symbol of their allegiance to the Club. "I am thankful EIS shows an interest in the spirituality of my child," said one mother. Another mother agreed and said "The ceremony is a very meaningful experience for all of us."



Ratchanont Assawarungsi K2B is admiring the candle that he is going to place at the altar.

(Left) Ponpun Yuttakaichaisri 1A solemnly places her candle on the altar as a symbol of her allegiance to the club.

(Right) Renika Gadaun K3 is very excited on being inducted as an Eager Beaver.



Budsarin Mateedunsatits 1C is being helped by her mother to put the scarf on.



Welcome Back Bash



Purichaya Triyangkulsri 12C is giving a candy to a sceptical student, thinking, “is this all you can give me for coming back to school, and where is my Mama noodle?”

By Atikarn Vanadit, 11E

Welcome Back Bashes have become a tradition at EIS. This year’s event, organized again by the Student Council, was held in Building Nine (K-Gr. 4) and the Covered Court (Gr. 5-12). Singing and games once again proved big hits. “I have been waiting for this day to come,” said a Middle School student. “I wanted to see my friends again so badly.”

It was fun and profitable. High school students raised money for their class fund by selling food and drink. “The Welcome Back Bash was tiring,” said cheese wonton seller Supakorn Kowathana, 11A, “but a great way to raise money.” Others though took a broader view.

“I was delighted to see alumni come back to visit our school,” said one teacher. “They definitely miss the fun at EIS.”

Another SC triumph but Naphat Sangunsin, SC President, stayed relatively humble and commented, “We just wanted students to get to know one another. It was meet and mingle time for all of us.”



(L-R) Eunji Sim and Laksika Kannasut, happy to be together again after a long break.



Tanawat Vimarapirat 11A (L) and classmates are cooking wonton for sale.



Rosalin Herman 10E on the guitar is entertaining students with a song “Kiss Me - Sixpence None the Richer.”



Pantira Akarakajohnchai 12C and friends are cheering the singers as they entertain students.

Healthy Relation Week



Mrs. Beatrice Kootanasan, Principal for Student Administration (first L), Ms. Piangruthai Jittaseno, Guidance Counselor (second L), Mr. Harold Dawat, Principal for High School (extreme right) with winners of the essay competition.

By Julianne Youngberg, 9A

Thanks to the hard work of Ms. Piangruthai Jittaseno, High School Guidance Counselor, our Healthy Relationship Week, held September 19 – 23, had everyone talking, or at least writing.

Hundreds of students wrote essays, all of them based on the theme, “Relationships, like flowers, must be nurtured.”

Winners for the Grades 9-10

- 1st Calvin Yvin, 10E
- 2nd Blessing T. Thomas, 10A
- 3rd Tharat Ratanapa, 10D

Winners for the Grades 11-12

- 1st Vareesa Dangprasert, 11D
- 2nd Peeranon Vorakulsathien, 11B
- 3rd Phunchaya Kengluecha, 12B

All winners received a cash prize and the best essay from each category will be published in the Breeze, the school magazine. Ms. Piangruthai also gave certificates to dozens of participants.

So much writing finally got students thinking. “Healthy relationships are

important to me,” said Calvin Yvin, 10E. “Having trusting friends makes me feel better.”

Blessing Thomas, 10A, fully agreed. “Peeranon (one of the winners) had it right,” she said. “Healthy relationships are like flowers. They must be nurtured every day to stay fresh.”



Holding the certificates are (above) Phunchaya Kengluecha 12A, (right from top) Calvin Yvin 10E, Blessing Thomas (10A), and Vareesa Dangprasert 11D.





“Wai Kru” Day Ceremony

(Above) Mrs. Amy Angelo, Teacher (R), being hugged by Chananchida Sang-Aram 10A is deeply touched by the appreciation given. (Top Right) Students performing a Thai Dance in appreciation to teachers. (Bottom Right) Mrs. Lovely Deo, Teacher is receiving an appreciation hug from one of her students.

By Tanakrit Sermsuksun, 12B

Teacher Appreciation or “Wai Kru” Day, held on Thursday, September 15, 2011, saw students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 gather in the Cover Court to honor their teachers. Garlands of flowers and wais delivered on bended knee gave the ceremony a feeling of authenticity.

“Teachers have a high calling,” said Mrs. Rajdeep Takeuchi, EIS Director. “They deserve to be recognized, honored and respected.”

Mrs. Edith Chu, Principal for Primary School, took those remarks to an even deeper level. “Students should respect teachers, not only through flowers, but through a change in their lives.”

Mrs. Beatrice Kootanasan, Principal for Student Administration, deserves to have the final word. “This ceremony preserves Thai Culture,” she said. “It also allows students to show their gratitude to people who have committed their lives to teaching.”



Mrs. Rajdeep Takeuchi, Director is giving the welcoming address.



Papada Sirisukhodom 12C could not hold her tears as she hugged Ms. Ellen Thaimei, Teacher.



Naphat Sanguansin, Salisa Cheewapansri, Pornkamol Huang, Gitanjali Bhargava and Varichaya Sukonthotok carrying flowers to be presented to the Administrators.



Mr. James Yoong, Math Teacher humbly accepted his double blessing for having a birthday on the same day.





“Good Parenting For Young Children”

Many parents came to listen to the lecture on “Good Parenting for young Children” by Dr. Penny Lorwatanapongsa (seated on extreme right).

By Mr. Asher Vincent, Counselor

Every year the Guidance and Counseling Department hosted the Parents’ Day for each section with the purpose to give information to parents in helping their children perform at school.

Starting from the Primary and Elementary section, the topic chosen for 2011-2012 school year was ‘Good Parenting for Young Children’ held on September 9, 2011. The speaker invited was Dr. Penny Lorwatanapongsa who is the Director of Psychological Department in Manarom Hospital, Bangkok.

In her presentation, Dr. Penny shared a lot of information on parenting tips that could help parents acknowledge the needs of their children. The presentation was very informative and useful for the parents.

The second Parents’ Day was organized for the High School section which was held on September 25th. Along with that, representatives from different institution were also invited to promote their colleges and universities to parents and students.



(Above) Dr. Penny Lorwatanapongsa is receiving a token of appreciation from Ms. Udom Saengsawang, Director of Guidance and Counseling. (Below) Dr. Penny is making her presentation, while parents listened attentively.

The speakers who presented to the parents were Ms. Udom, Ms. Shireen, Ms. Kara and Mrs. Ratchadaporn, Yanika’s mother(Alumni 2009). Each of them presented a different topic but their goal is similar which is to equip parents with the knowledge of college and university preparation. Both parents and students benefited from the presentations.





Ying-chiao, Li 12 A is giving a special number on his violin.

Week of Prayer Strikes Several Notes

By Chaplain Jonathan Montes

The first Week of Prayer for this school year was held from Oct. 3 – 7, 2011 with the theme “Who Am I.” Speakers from Asia-Pacific International University (AIU) shared with us presentations based on who we are in the context of a loving Creator God.

The week was filled with inspiration and it was a blessing for each section to have talks focused just for them. The age-old question “Who Am I” can only be answered by knowing our God and how we relate to Him, and we hope that this prayer week can be a springboard to better understanding. Being a school that values spirituality, it is important to foster that in each of our students. The closing sermon was dramatized by students from the drama class.

Ketsuda Kongsawatvorag, 12C, said, “Everything in our lives can be changed if we trust God. He will help you. Nothing else is as important as believing in God.”

Thanat Luntomrattana, 10D, agree. “I found that things got better and I begun to know more what is right and wrong and I want to thank God for that.”



Pastor Johnny Wong, speaker for the High School students



Pornkamol Huang is leading the song service.



(L-R) “Redson” (Kultida Keerikoolparn) is trying to put some “reason into Vapor” (Thanyarat Naovaratpong).



“Flower 1” (Rosalin Herman) (R) enjoys the fawning of her so-called “companions” (L-R) (Pei-Shan Lin and Wipada Wanlopsiri).



“Flower 2” (Arthima Charanaittinant) had everyone in tears as the “Faded Flower”.



“Smartie” (Gerardo Simonetto) was “EIS’s first real genius”.





Evergreeners Trip to Hua Hin

The Evergreeners at the beach.

By Kobchart Jaraswimol 11B

The Evergreeners Club went for a community service trip to Hua Hin, in Southern Thailand from April 1 – 3, 2011. The trip was composed of 40 students and three teachers. The purpose of the trip was to bring awareness to the community regarding environmental concerns.

During the trip the Evergreeners planted mangrove trees along the shores, collected donations from the public, sang songs and sold the specially designed 'Evergreeners' T-shirts to raise funds for the flood victims in Southern Thailand. The group was also interviewed by a reporter from TV Channel 5 regarding various social concerns.

One member said, "I believe this field trip has made an impact in the lives of the Evergreeners and I want to thank the teachers especially Mr. James Lawson for inspiring and supporting us in our projects."



The Evergreeners sang songs along the street to collect donations from the public.



The Evergreeners is trying to sell the Evergreeners T-Shirt to raise fund for the flood victims in Southern Thailand.

(Left) Students planting mangrove trees along the shore.



Field Trip Sparks Curiosity

Mrs. Dulina Dawat, Teacher with her students, (front L-R)Punnalin Sriwongthai, Kulchaya Rabuthammakul, Voranacha Natiro-janachaicharn, (back L-R) Ponsuk Phlaloop, and Ruenring Truskamol..

By DachathornTharacheewin, 5B

September 23, 2011 was an exciting day for Grade 5 students when they went for a field trip to the National Discovery Museum Institute accompanied by Mrs. Dulina Dawat, Grade Level Leader and six teachers. Our purpose was to make students aware of what is going on outside the classroom.

The museum is on three floors depicting the life history of Thailand from the very beginning to the present day. We marveled at the immense theatre and exhibits showing the life of people long ago how they worked hard to earn a living. It also features Thai technologies such as pottery, carving wickerwork and metallurgy. The museum's third floor examines how Thailand's geography and history has shaped the Thai people through the centuries.

Sudev Bhatia, 5D, said, "I like the War Room because even though it was frightening, it shows how people fought and defended themselves long time ago with only knives and spears."

Purim Suthvanich , 5B, said, "I like the trip very much as I could explore for

myself Thai history and culture and how both developed to what they are today." Mrs.

Ethel Das agreed. "It is important for the students to know not only Thai Language, but also about their own culture. We even found time to talk about their unique Thai wisdom."

Mrs. Dulina Dawat, the Grade Level Leader, said, "We even emphasize Thai manners in the classroom in the hope our students will become good citizens of the country."



Students were jumping for joy.



Chanisara Liu (L) and friends are sailing is on the sea of grass.



Students trying out the bicycle powered water pump.



Nichayada Somsak is trying out the grain grinder.



Pathfinders performing a Thai dance.

By Ms. Sharon Atun, Teacher 8C

Andiamo! Eighteen students, accompanied by three teachers and Mrs. Beatrice Kootanasan, Principal for Student Administration of EIS shouted as the bus drove out of Vienna International Airport. It means “Let’s go!” and it was the first Italian word the group learned on their trip to 5 countries in Europe namely Austria, Germany, France, Switzerland and Italy on July 22 to August 8, 2011.

As the tour continued, the students learned a few more words from the different places they went to. Aside from the language exposure, they were able to experience and learn a bit of the culture and history of each of the mentioned places.

From July 23 to August 1, 2011, the group visited historical places like the Schonbrunn Palace in Vienna, the Marienplatz, Nymphenburg Palace, Fuggerei, and the Augsburg cathedral in Germany, the Eiffel Tower and the Versailles Palace in France, and the Duomo Milano, the city of Vatican, and Pompeii in Italy.

After their adventure to different monu-

ments, cathedrals, historical sites, shopping areas and hotels the group stayed in Bassano Romano Park, a Scouting Camp, near Rome, Italy, for a week of tent and nature living, to take part in the Euro-African Division Pathfinder Camporee, which was the main reason of the trip. It offered them a different type of adventure - an “Adventure of Faith”, which was the theme of the camp.

The group met and made friends with pathfinders not only from different parts of Europe but also from Russia, Brazil, Canada and the US as they participated in the daily camp activities.

In one of the contests held, Suphawit Piulueangsawat from 10E won 2nd place for the Most Interesting Photo. A week-long of pasta, bread, and cheese, freezing cold showers, being chased by fellow campers (who were hoping to get the famous Thai Pathfinder scarf), burning heat and endless queues made the experience unforgettable.

For the last time, with cheer in their hearts, as they boarded the bus going to Rome International Airport on their way home, the group shouted, “Andiamo!!!”



One Pathfinder practising archery



Pathfinders playing a group game



Pathfinders led by Zanping is trying to make the Pisa Tower straight.

“Still Different But Same Same”

Faculty and Staff Retreat



Ekamai International School
Teachers and Staff Retreat
Courtyard Marriott
September 28-30, 2011

Theme: *Still Different But Same Same*

EIS Faculty and Staff forming the word “Still”, yes they are still different in culture, race nationalities and background, but they have the same goal, purpose and mission.

By Mr. Carlos Cirilo, Values Teacher

This year the Courtyard Marriott Cha Am saw the EIS family gather for their annual retreat.

Around noon on Wednesday September 28, six buses delivered the precious cargo of faculty, staff, and for the first time, many of our service department workers.

In a single high-rise building with an amazing view of the ocean, all had the opportunity to enjoy three days of activities prepared for them.

“Still Different but Same Same” was the theme chosen for this year’s retreat. Once again, we were reminded through the worship talks that despite of our differences in culture, race, nationalities and backgrounds, we are all one in purpose and mission.

The team building activities by color houses once again demonstrated that together everyone can achieve more. Seeing administrators, maintenance men, teachers, staff, all pulling their weight to win a tug of war competition shows the reality of everyday life: we must all work in unison to achieve our goals.

During free time many chose to dip in the clear blue swimming pool, go down by the ocean, or simply relaxed pool side. Others traveled a few kilometers to the nearby shopping outlets and markets. But all enjoyed the meals which were comprised of a variety of traditional Thai food and international buffet.

Thursday night was social night, the time for each section to show off their creativity and talent. We saw everything from traditional dances to beauty pageants, but best of all we had an insight into what our administrators were like as students thanks to a humorous skit done by their team demonstrating the inner spirit that is in all of them.

Looking back to the events of this three-day retreat I am reminded of what the American poet Audre Lorde once said, “It is not our differences that divide us. It is our inability to recognize, accept, and celebrate those differences.”



Blue House put all their strength as a team, “for we are one.”



Orange House has to work together in harmony to accomplish their goal.



A beauty pageant from different countries. “Still different but same same”



The Awesome Four, (front row L-R) Napat Sanguansin 12A, Tanakrit, Sermsuksan 12B, Sarin Madarasmi 12D, (back row L-R) Mr. Michael Yap, Math Teacher, Phutsaya Pheerawanitchakun 12B

By Ms. Sariya Prawong, Secretary to PAA

Each year many EIS high school students participate in the AP (Advance Placement) program. Operated by the College Board in the United States, the AP program is designed for students to take university-level courses and exams to earn university credit while in high school. In addition to taking the AP Program, students also took SAT exams to prepare themselves for entry into universities.

The following students were noted for achieving high scores in the previous examinations:

AP Microeconomics	
Kobchart Jaraswimol, 11B	4
Nawapat Sae Lee, 11B	4

AP Biology	
Ravipas Poonnim, 11D	4

AP Statistics	
Naphat Sanguasin, 11D	5*
Sarin Madarasmi, 11D	5
Tanakrit Sermsuksan, 11D 5	

SAT Math	
Phutsaya Pheerawanitchakun	800*
Tanakrit Sermsuksan	800

(*perfect score)



Students with perfect AP Statistics:
(L-R) Sarin Madarasmi 12D, Naphat Sanguansin 12A, Tanakrit Sermsuksan 12B



Students with perfect SAT Math:
(L-R) Phutsaya Pheerawanitchakun 12B
Tanakrit Sermsuksan 12B

Parents Council of Ekamai International School



Members of the PCEIS (seated L-R) Mrs. Saravane Khuprasert, Mrs. Ameena Honghipopphan, Dr. Julee Jatuvorapat, Mr. Rajdeep Takeuchi, Director of EIS, Mrs. Karen Chen, Parent Representative in EIS School Board, Mrs. Mei Mei Lo, Mrs. Stephanie Fu, (standing L-R) Dr. Nutt Prasertmake, Mr. Jesada Luangpenthong, Dr. Gene Charoonruk, Mr. Nanda Lal

By Mrs. Sarah Jawjong, HR Coordinator

The Parents Council of Ekamai International School or PCEIS was formed by EIS in order to establish an organization that shall foster excellence in education, uphold its ideals and goals, promote unity and understanding among parents and the school, and to contribute in the attainment of the national development goals through Christian education.

On September 4, 2011, at its first meeting of the school year, the following parent representatives were elected:

High School

Mr. Nanda Lal
Mrs. Mei Mei Lo

Middle School

Mrs. Stephanie Fu Cheng Chen
Mrs. Saravane Khuprasert

Elementary School

Dr. Gene Charoonruk
Dr. Julee Jatuvorapat

Primary School

Dr. Nutt Prasertmake
Mrs. Ameena Honghipopphan
Mr. Jesada Luangpenthong

The Executive Committee of PCEIS for the School Year of 2011-2012

President

Mrs. Stephanie Fu Cheng Chen

Vice President

Mr. Jesada Luangpenthong

Treasurer

Dr. Julee Jatuvorapat

PRO

Dr. Gene Charoonruk

Parliamentarian

Mr. Nanda Lal

Secretary

Dr. Nutt Prasertmake

Basic Goals

1. To foster excellence in education by promoting the Philosophy, Vision and Mission Statements of EIS.
2. To advance the cause of Christian education in the home, the school, and the community, in particular.
3. To promote communication and understanding between parents, teachers and the administration.
4. To provide an organization through which parents can help meet the needs of EIS.
5. To share ideas with the school to improve students' welfare as a whole
6. To work with Section Principals and Administration to facilitate the implementation of actions taken by the Administration and PCEIS
7. To have social activities and informative meetings for parents to foster the harmony and unity of the school family
8. To raise funds to support the school development

New Teachers



Dr. & Mrs. David Kincaid
and family

David Kincaid is our new Associate Principal for Academic Administration. He is married to Dyan Kincaid and together they have 4 children—Kiara, Ariana, Aliya, and Haydn. Dr. Kincaid has had 15 years of experience as a Principal, Assistant Principal, Foreign Language Teacher, and University Faculty Member. His responsibilities have included supervising, training and evaluating staff to include the implementation of state and non-governmental education programs that included Huskins, Learn & Earn, and Dual Enrollment courses and various international Programs. He was previously an Associate Faculty Member in the School of Advanced Studies at the University of Phoenix where he taught doctoral classes to include mentoring doctoral students and chair dissertation committees.

Dyan Kincaid is an experienced and dynamic Art Teacher, dedicated to creating and nurturing a lifelong love for Art in children. She holds a Bachelor Degree in Art Education with a minor in Graphic design. She has designed and conducted various student programs to include set design and choreography. One of Dyan's former administrators described her as an exceptionally energetic and enthusiastic teacher.



Ms. Janae Rose

Janae Rose is from the USA and has completed 2 years at Walla Walla University with a major in Pre-Speech Pathology/Audiology. She took a year off from college and is working in our school as a Grade 4 Language Arts and Health teacher. She will be returning to college classes in the upcoming fall quarter. Janae says that EIS is a large school with a great variety of people—students and staff. She is looking forward to learning a lot more about the school throughout her stay here and hopes to be a great asset to us.



Ms. Clarissa Marian Tampubolon

Clarissa Marian Tampubolon is one of our new teachers at Ekamai International School this year. She is a homeroom teacher for Grade 6E and she teaches Language Arts, Health and Values. Clarissa is an Indonesian and graduated with a Bachelor of English in Communication. She has previously worked as a marketing assistant for Five Loaves Company and taught English at an English Camp in Taiwan for 3 months. As a teacher, Clarissa's mission and vision at EIS is to show how students, in a disciplined environment, can still experience learning that is interesting and fun. She plans to stay with us for at least a year or two and sees EIS as a vibrant, dynamic, and Christian-loving school.



Ms. Elizabeth Jones

My name is **Elizabeth Jones** and I am from the United States of America. I live in Loma Linda, California, but I attend school in Walla Walla, Washington at Walla Walla University. At WWU, I am studying to obtain my Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and a Minor in English. My last year's work experience includes being the Executive Secretary for WWU's Student Association (ASWWU), and being a volunteer for Friends of Children of Walla Walla. My job assignment at EIS is: Phonics and Conversation teacher for K1, English Assistant for K2 and K3, and Social Studies teacher for Grade 1.

My short-term plan is to spend a year teaching English at EIS. While I'm here, I hope to improve my work and communication skills, learn more about different cultures, and become the best teacher I can be. When I return home to the United States, I will return to WWU for one year to finish obtaining my B.S. degree in Business Administration. After I graduate, I plan on attending law school to gain my Jurist Doctor (J.D.) degree. In the future, I see myself either as a lawyer or as a judge.

My impression of EIS so far is that it is a wonderful place. I love the school, the students, and the teachers I work with. I am still meeting new people every day and I am continuously impressed with their kindness. The students make me smile daily and I am lucky to be able to interact with two different age groups; I teach in the primary section, but I also coach girls U-17 football. I am very happy God called me to this place and I am excited to spend a whole year here with such wonderful people.

Alumnotes



Dr. Lawrence Au

Dr. Lawrence Au was a pupil in our school in 1948 and left in 1950. He currently works with the San Francisco Police Department as a Commissioned Chaplain. Dr. Lawrence Au completed a Masters in Public Administration from University of San Francisco, a Master in Divinity and Doctor of Ministry from Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, and a D.D. (Hon) from Conroe Normal and Industrial College. He was also tutored by Historian Professor, Dr. Barrie White, from Oxford University and World renowned Professor, Dr. Viktor Frankl, Founder of 3rd School of Vienna in Austria. He also has a Police Specialist Certificate from the San Francisco Police Academy.

He has done pastoral ministry in Macau, Malaysia, and San Francisco, military chaplaincy in the United States Airforce, policy chaplaincy in the FBI Academy, and was also Seminary President in Berkeley, California. His has work experience as a Campus Evaluator for Post-Secondary Private Educational Institutions/California State Department of Education, and has been a U.S. delegate to China, Egypt, Russia, and Central America. He has also been teaching and preaching in Europe, Southeast and East Asian Countries and across Canada and the United States. Dr. Lawrence Au has received awards from USAF, Justice Department (FBI), and the US Government.

Dr. Lawrence Au studied at our school during its infancy when classes were held in Dr. Waddel's residence, most of the pupils children of missionaries and foreign diplomats, and the school was known as Child Training Center (CTC). He says that it surely was an international school with its founders, the Waddel's, working with great visionary leadership. Miss Feltus, a missionary teacher, made an imprint on his soul which paved the way for his lifelong dedication in ministry and community. He married Panie Chitavet in 1963 and has one son and two grandchildren all of whom are residing and working in San Francisco.
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Ms. Rashee Pandey

Rashee Pandey (2009) joined a marketing competition organized by L'Oreal Paris, Thailand. The name of the competition was L'Oreal Paris Thailand Marketing Plan Challenge 2011. Out of 78 teams, Rashee and her team made it to the semi-final round where each team was given 20 minutes to present their marketing plan. They were given comments and suggestions about their marketing plan and then they had to go out and apply it. At the final round of the competition, Rashee's team was awarded 2nd place. We would like to congratulate her for a job well done!



Mr. Pitipat Kootrakul

Pitipat Kootrakul (2009) is currently a student at Chulalongkorn University and is majoring in Finance. Recently, Pitipat and a group of his classmates at Chulalongkorn University won the Student in Free Enterprise (SIFE) competition. The idea of SIFE is to encourage college students around the world to come up with projects that improve the standard of living of in a community. It has to qualify three main criteria which are social, economic, and environmental. One unique thing about SIFE projects is that all projects must be sustainable. Though the competition was tough Pitipat gained many new experiences from it and he says that he truly believes the quote which says, "Do your best and God will do the rest". We would like to congratulate Pitipat and his team, and wish him God's blessings as he prepares for the SIFE World Cup Finals in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



Ms. Kitchaporn Rojprasithporn

Kitchaporn Rojprasithporn left in the year 2006 after her 9th grade. She is currently a 4th year college student at Thammasat University, studying in the Faculty of Liberal Arts with a Major in British and American Studies. She will be finishing up her degree by the end of this year. In the year 2008, Kitchaporn was able to have some summer work experience as she was able to go to Hawaii for two and a half months where she worked at a fast food company called Jack in the Box. Most recently, from June to August 2011, she managed a dental clinic called Thai Smile Dentists while they owner was abroad. She is currently the Student President for her Faculty of British and American Studies-BAS Student Committee. EIS was filled with many memories for Kitchaporn, from activities like Sports Day, Fun Fair, Valentine's Day, and Songkran. However, she says that these memories would not have been special if it weren't for her beloved friends and teachers that were with her through the years. She has one elder sister and one elder brother, both of whom also studied at our school.
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Mr. Harakhun Tanatavikorn

Harakhun Tanatavikorn (2004) graduated from Thammasat University, Thailand and University of Nottingham, England with a Bachelors in Chemical Engineering. He is currently taking his Masters of Science in Process, Environmental, and Energy System Engineering at Technische Universitat Berlin. He had his internship at "aap Implantate AG", Berlin, with the task of drawing up a Waste Balance sheet for the year 2009, and also with The MERCK Group, Darmstadt, in the task of creating a Stand-alone Training Simulator for Batch Reactors. Harakhun says that EIS provided a unique learning environment with a mixture of local customs and a hint of an international atmosphere. His future plans include graduating and possible continued study and research in the field of Energy Engineering or a related field.
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Mrs. Vipra Rasathip and daughter

Vipra Rasathip (1985) graduated from our school and went on to Paris, France where she stayed for a little more than two years. She then worked as a French speaking tourist guide in Thailand for 15 years. In 2004, she immigrated to the United States where she got married and now has a daughter of 4 years old. She does part-time substitute work where she lives in Oklahoma with her husband who works at the air force base as a computer engineers for airplanes.



Mrs. Alisa Loruangsin

Alisa Loruangsin (Yauwapanyachon) studies at our school, then known as Adventist English School, from 1986-1992 where she finished her 11th grade before proceeding to Assumption University where she got her Bachelors Degree in Marketing. She has worked as a Brand Manager for F&N Diaries Co., Ltd. and Nestle Co., Ltd. She was also a Marketing Manager for Rich Products Manufacturing and is now currently Senior Brand Manager (Babylove Playpants) for DSG Thailand Public Co., Ltd. She remembers our school for the yearly talent shows, unforgettable teachers and friends, and her belief in Jesus Christ.
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