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10th ANNIVERSARY (JUST THE FIRST STEP.....)



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Special points of interest:

- J 10th anniversary
- J Book Week
- J The Great Debate

International Pioneers School (IPS) is recognized and Licensed by the Ministry of Education. We are also an accredited centre of the University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE).

International Pioneers School concludes a decade of consistent endeavour in providing quality education to young scholars based on the British National

Curriculum. To mark our 10th Anniversary, we have organized various spectacular activities including the IPS Fun Fair 2008, which is expected to be held in November 2008. The IPS Fun Fair 2008 is being sponsored by the Parents Council of International Pioneers School (PCIPS) headed by Mr. Modi Gilitwala and his able team.



THE PROUD WINNER
OF MISS IPS 2008
AWARDED IN BOOK
WEEK 18 JANUARY
2008

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ACADEMIC NEWS

Accolades received by IPS Students

Saniya Goriawala was awarded as a model student during the Children's Day on January 11, 2008. The award was presented by the Minister of Education on behalf of the Prime Minister who delivered a speech to the assembled students. The model student award is based on IPS Teachers nominating their best students and finally arriving at a unani-

mous vote by the senior management of IPS. KUDOS TO SANIYA GORIAWALA—KEEP IT UP!

World Maths Day

We would like to congratulate the following IPS Students for their stunning performance at the World Maths Day - HALL OF FAME. Our students earned the following world rank, as follows:

ABHSHEK GOSAVI—ranked 7th

APICHET SARANATH—ranked 10th
VEDANT URUMKAR—ranked 39th

We are very much thankful to our Teacher Ringo who facilitated, guided and encouraged the students to participate and our parents for their encouragement and cooperation—KEEP IT UP!

ACADEMIC NEWS—BOOK WEEK 2008

BOOK WEEK

Year 2008 has been declared National Year of Reading in the UK and taking this cue we have also initiated our own International Pioneers School Year of Reading 2008. Our objective to promote the Reading habit which so often loses out to the modern media culture. We are promoting students to read anything and everything, anywhere and everywhere. IPS cele-



RI SE UP READING—
INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF
READING AT IPS

brated Book Week on January 14th which lasted until January 18th 2008 with the theme RI SE UP

READING. Various activities were bundled during the Book Week under the able supervision of our Activities Coordinator Teacher Parminder and the activities team including Teachers Kenneth, Ringo and Joy aided by the IPS Librarian Rose. The

programme included:

Day 1 (Jan 14) Six parents volun-

teers from KS1,2, and 3 narrated stories to our very young students who enjoyed fun-filled action packed narration. We thank those who volunteered: Mrs. Naree Sathi, Mrs. Phaisakamas, Mrs. Sangeeta Sirinthipapron, Mrs. Puchita Yotaruck, Mrs. Wanee Wuthithawiwat, Mrs. Moonira Gilitwala. CHEERS GOES TO YOU ALL!!

Day 2 (Jan 15) This featured an "Estimating Contest" - How many books does IPS Library contain? Also a shelf for myself competition—Students created their own book collection and shelf

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Day 3 (Jan 16) - Students from KS3 joined in a Workshop led by Mr. Peter Hewett, a poet and writer from the UK who was invited to read from his collection and share his ideas on poetry writing. Mr. Hewett was kind enough to donate a collection of books containing his own poetry and stories to the Library. KS4 also had a poster making competition on this day.

Day 4 (Jan 17) Story writing competition in Key Stage 3

Day 5 (Jan 18) Fancy Dress Completion for KS1 and KS2—theme was to dress as your favourite book character. Also there was a presentation by several Top Thai Universities concerning admission and courses. Those who participated included Shinwatra University, Sirindhorn International Institute of Technol-

ogy at Thammasart University (SIT), Bangkok University and ABAC (Assumption University). They discussed admission requirements and the wide

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ACADEMIC NEWS—BOOK WEEK 2008

acceptance of the IGCSE qualification among Universities in Thailand. They happily answered queries from both parents and students. SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2008/2009 AVAILABLE NOW.

On the last day of the Book Week a Book Fair was also held attended by many international book dealers and agents. Plus many Sales were made! Book shops and agents who partici-

pated included Scholastics, Advance Media, DK Today, Home Health Education etc.

To conclude the day MR and MISS IPS 2008 was held. This was the climax of our week of celebration with students from KS3 and KS4 endeavouring to outshine and excel in order to win the esteemed title. A fun and educative week was had by all.



SPORTS NEWS/CLUB NEWS

January 25, 2008 saw the celebration of our ANNUAL SPORTS DAY. The event commenced with a colourful house parade followed by Cheer Leaders Dance display. This was followed by the usual competitive sporting events— including athletics, tug of war, hurdles, relay, football, chair ball and three legged race plus musical chairs for the very young ones. All participated and enjoyed the day



GREAT COMPETITION AND FUN AT THIS YEAR'S SCHOOL SPORTS DAY

with many medal winners and points being won. At the end of the day we cheered with this year's Sports Day Champion—RED HOUSE who were the overall winners for the annual Sports Fest.

Here's a round up of club activities during the second term:

SCOUT CLUB

The Scouts enjoyed a one day trip to Kanchanaburi led by our IPS Scout Master—Mr. Gokul Bhat.

CHESS CLUB

Held an exciting inter-student Chess Tournament aimed at sharpening the minds of the participants and further teaching them how to think and move strategically. This club remains very popular among students as part of our extra curricula activities programme in School.

Other exciting clubs and activities which take place in Club time include : Badminton, Cricket, IT, Quiz and Reading and many more.

THE GREAT DEBATE!!



IPS students caused a stir and great excitement when members of our Debate Club took the recent EU-Thailand National Debate championships by storm. The event held at Thammasat University included some of the foremost debating teams from around Thailand. IPS dispatched 2 teams who debated against University students which included teams from Chulalongkorn University, Assumption University and Prince Songkhla University, with only a few teams from International Schools participating. Our IPS team 1 included—Adnan Gilitwala (Y8), Abishek Gosavi (Y8) and Vikram Vijay (Y8). With back up from Research and Information assistants Aditya Ravi (Y8) and Apichet Sarnath (Y8).

IPS team 2 included—Sharik Goriawala (Y9), Zaha Gilitwala (Y9), and Rishab Rastogi (Y9). With back up and support from Syed Raza Mehdi (Y9), Vishaka Pandey (Y8), and Parin Rawal (Y9) who provided information and research for the team.

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IPS 2	3	2	0



WE would like to thank and recognize the hard work of Teacher Glee our Key Stage 3 and 4 Mathematics Teacher and Debate Club Coordinator. She worked very hard with the debaters to prepare them for this fantastic experience in a major competitive event. We also acknowledge the help and assistance of Teacher J S Gulati and Teacher Gokul Bhat for acting as adjudicators at the contest during debate motions. Well done to our students and staff and let's look forward to their next appearance on the Thailand Debating scene!

SUMMER SCHOOL 2008

Admission for Summer School 2008 courses will commence in May 2008. Summer School is conducted from July 1,



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 **10th ANNIVERSARY**

FOOTNOTES

FIELD TRIPS IN TERM 2

KS 2 Students were treated with a documentary movie at the IMAX Cinema on the Ancient Egyptians.

They learned such a lot about this topic which is covered as part of their KS2 Humanities programme.

KS 3 went to the National Art Gallery to familiarize themselves with a variety of different types of art media and encounter work from many famous artists.

KS2 and KS3 also visited the Science Museum during the second

term.

UNIFORM

Parents must ensure their child is wearing the right/ appropriate uniform in accordance with the School Rules. Uniform must be complete—neat and ironed, with appropriate shoes.



FUTURISTIC DAY CELEBRATIONS IN KEY STAGE 1

before the start of morning assembly at 7.50am.

PUNCTUALITY

Parents must ensure that students arrive at the IPS Campus

TEACHER TRAINING

IPS conducted a Teachers INSET (In-service training day) at the end of February to provide orientation and launch new ideas to enrich our daily teaching. Workshops were conducted by the School's Director Mrs. Alka Pandey and by the Academic Coordinator—Mr. Michael J Taylor.

ENGLISH SPEAKING DRIVE

We continue to encourage the use of English at all times on the campus. Any student caught speaking in any other language besides English will be penalized by 20 THB each time. Please advise and encourage your child to speak only in English on the IPS Campus.