



Wells International School

On Nut Newsletter

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Welcoming Spring



Songkran Celebration

To prepare our students for success in the global community, we promote qualities that provide a truly international education, helping each child attain a multi-cultural perspective while encouraging each to appreciate his or her own unique cultural background. Though many non-native students reside here in Thailand, some are still not aware of the traditions of the Thai people. To encourage interest amongst our students and staff, Wells incorporates an additional criterion into its academic and social Expected Schoolwide Learning Results (ESLRs): Thai Culture and Language Awareness. Throughout the year students are introduced to aspects of Thai culture and learn about Thai festivities and holidays during their classes. Secondary students are also

given the opportunity to take Thai elective courses, including Thai dance, music, cooking, martial arts, arts & crafts, and Thai journalism). By including these courses in our curriculum, our students are encouraged to participate in Thai cultural performances and activities, including Songkran.

On Thursday, April 8th, just before we all departed for a relaxing Songkran holiday, all of us at the On Nut campus spent a day celebrating and simply having a lot of fun. Organized by the Thai department and office administration, the Songkran celebration included performances and demonstrations by both primary and secondary students, allowing them to showcase their appreciation of Thai culture. Among the presentations were martial arts (Fun Darb), dance (Ram Thai), games (Karn La Len Thai) and a water ceremony (Rod Nam Dam Hua), in which students showed their appreciation for their instructors. Following the performances, the fun began, as students and staff played a series of games, leaving them soaking wet. And, of course, what would Songkran be without a good, old-fashioned water fight?



Spring Concert Preview

Following last year's energetic performances in the annual spring concert is no easy task, yet Wells' On Nut primary and secondary students are working hard to not only match, but also improve upon their past efforts. In addition to traditional Thai cultural performances, the Fine Arts Department has worked with the dance students in preparing a Michael Jackson tribute medley featuring many of his most famous songs, including *Black or White*, *Bad*, *Thriller* and *Smooth Criminal*. Other highlights include the Primary Department's musical *Forever Free*; a solo performance by Ern, a second grade student; a special farewell song by our graduating seniors; and the traditional finale featuring all of the performers.

The 2010 Wells Spring Concert will be held this Friday—May 6th—from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. All friends and family are welcome, so please come to the performance and support all of the members of the Wells family.



Construction Update



Progress on the third floor expansion has been steady, and work is currently on schedule for the expected July completion date. The majority of the rooms have now been designated for the various departments, and each will benefit from additional resources and space. Additionally, many of the current facilities will be upgraded; among the changes are an expanded school store to replace the snack bar; a viewing area overlooking the current gymnasium; a resource and research room for the library, which will also be renovated; and additional areas for both teachers and students in which to relax, work or socialize. Watch for further updates, and please stop by at the beginning of the coming semester for a tour.



Wells Counseling Department

High School Counseling

The counseling department engaged in many activities throughout the year to provide opportunities for student growth in self-knowledge, educational and occupational exploration, and career development, as well as assisting students in establishing personal life goals and connecting them to resources that will help them achieve those goals. It is important to remember that counselors at Wells International School are available to help not only students, but also parents and guardians with academic, social or personal concerns. As we move toward the end of the current school year and into the next, we will be focusing on four key areas in order to provide even more support for students:

Guidance Curriculum
Individual Planning
Responsive Service
System Support

Additionally, as more Wells scholars approach graduation in the coming years, our counselors will also continue to focus on activities and events that will directly help your children discover their strengths and potential future careers, including:

1. On-site university visits throughout the year and presentations by visiting university representatives
2. Continuation with Naviance (career goals & college search)
3. Aiding in establishing SAT courses and other college-preparatory classes
4. Further expanding internship and job shadowing opportunities

We encourage you to take an active role in helping your children grow as individuals, whether they are in their formative years or preparing for life beyond Wells, by speaking with our counselors, taking part in the Wells Parent Association or simply volunteering to help during school activities and outings. Ultimately, we must all work together to provide the best possible education for our children.

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Football Season Review

Despite a season fraught with cancellations, postponements and rescheduled matches, the Wells football teams proved that their efforts can match the successes of the other sports teams in the school. In only their second year in the Thailand International Schools Activity Conference (TISAC), the Under 13 Boys team captured Wells' first football championship, defeating Regents International School in the finals after a perfect 5-0 season.

Not to be outdone, the Under 11 Boys team matched their older counterparts with another 5-0 record, though they ultimately missed the chance at a championship due to a questionable last-minute change in the tournament rules. Although they may not have gotten the opportunity to showcase their superior skills, the young team nonetheless demonstrated that they are a force to be reckoned with in the conference.

The older teams, including the Senior Boys and Senior Girls, each made a strong effort; despite taking part in league play for the first time, they recorded a pair of wins and several close losses against far more experienced teams.

While only having joined TISAC in the previous school year, Wells has already shown its strength in sports, and more importantly, its teams have exhibited patience, perseverance and fair play in doing so. Congratulations to all the teams, and we look forward to your future trophies!



	Under 9	Under 11	Under 13 Boys	Under 15 Boys	Senior Boys	Senior Girls
Week 1	W: 4-0 (ASC)	W: 7-2 (ASC)	W: 3-1 (KIS)	L: 0-6 (STA)	L: 0-3 (REG)	L: 0-2 (REG)
Week 2	W: 8-0 (CHA)	W: 9-0 (CHA)	W: 15-1 (CHA)	L: 1-6 (PREP)	L: 2-4 (KIS)	Canceled
Week 3	W: 4-0 (ASB)	W: 4-1 (ASB)	W: 3-1 (RAS)	L: 2-5 (KIS)	W: 2-1 (ASB)	W: 4-2 (ASB)
Week 4	Canceled	W: 3-0 (HFD)	W: 3-2 (STA)	Canceled	L: 3-5 (STA)	Canceled
Week 5	L: 6-7 (BCIS)	W: 7-1 (BCIS)	W: 3-0 (ASB)	Canceled	L: 1-13 (BCIS)	Canceled
Season Results	4-1	5-0	5-0 (Champions)	0-3	1-4	1-1

Wells Friends & Family:



A Special Offer for Parents at our On Nut Campus

In order to thank parents for their continued support of Wells and its staff, we would like to extend the following offer:

We will deduct 5,000 baht from your child's tuition fee for each student referred to and accepted by one of the campuses in the Wells system. There is no limit to the number of students you can refer or the amount that can be deducted from the tuition cost! Simply have the individuals you refer specify you by name, and the deduction will appear on your next bill.

Thank you again for your support and for being a part of the Wells family!



Wells Calendar

MAY 2010						
M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

JUNE 2010						
M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

5 Coronation Day (*No Classes*)

3-6 SAT 10 Testing (Primary)

7 Wells Spring Concert: 6:00 - 8:00 pm

14 Spring Dance (Secondary): 6:30 - 10:00

24-27 Final Exams (Non-core)

28 Visakha Bucha Day (*No Classes*)

31-3 Final Exams (Core)

4 Prof. Development Day (*No classes*)

5 Senior Graduation: 5:00 - 7:00 pm

10 Last Day of School for Students

14 Summer School Begins

Spring Concert

Friday, May 7, 2010

6:00-8:00 pm

- Friday will be a regular school day; after-school classes are not canceled.
 - Curtain call for performers is at 5:00 pm.
Please be on time!
- Performers should get dressed in their costumes at home prior to returning to school.
- Parents can enjoy the science and art displays before and after the show.
 - Refreshments will be available for sale in the cafeteria.
 - We recommend using public transportation or parking at Lotus due to limited parking space.
 - We look forward to seeing you there!