



Xin Nien Kwai Ler = Chinese New Year Greeting
Sehe bok mani baduseyo = Korean New Year Greeting
Happy Valentine's Day

On Friday, February 12th our students celebrated the Chinese and Korean New Year and also Valentine's Day here at Wells On Nut. This year our high school students and school teams, joined by the Wells Parent Association, put together a mini carnival. All booths did a wonderful job putting creating amazing games and activities related to holiday celebrations. Students and staff were all trying to collect game tickets to win the wonderful prizes at the prize booth, but the prize they all were eager to win was Mr. Ray Xbox 360 at the volleyball team's coin toss booth.

Parents contributed special Chinese and Korean cuisine during lunch that day. All proceeds from the sales have been deposited into the Wells Charity account.

Thank you to Mr. Chang, who distributed AngPao to our students and staff so they could have a little bit extra to enjoy the games.



Junior Sky Rangers

On Saturday, February 6th, third graders Praewah, Rita and Finn took the challenge and became masters of the canopy when they participated in *Flight of the Gibbon*, a zip-line tour through the tops of the rainforest. It was a short drive from Bangkok to the Chompoo Forest Preserve near Pattaya.

A zip-line consists of a pulley suspended on a cable, with both mounted on an incline. It is designed to enable the user, propelled by gravity, to travel from the top of the line to the bottom.

If you are afraid of heights or just don't have an adventurous spirit, this is a great way to challenge yourself. If you're a thrill seeker or need a fun activity, then this is right up your alley. Because of the success of this trip we will go back again towards the end of the year. If you would like to join us, see Mr. Aaron of Grade 3.

Praewah: "I had a very good time at *Flight of the Gibbon*. My favorite part was the 300 meter zip-line. It was sooo fun, and I wish my friends could go!"



Finn: "It was a lot of fun, and I had a good time there. The last zip-line of 300 meters was the best part. Everyone should try this!"



Rita: "It was very high and scary, but I had a lot of fun. It was the yummiest thing in the world. I also rode an elephant and saw a tiger show that was very good!"



Mr. Aaron: "This is one of the best trips I've taken in Thailand. It's fun and helps support the gibbons, which are endangered apes. I recommend this to everyone who has the courage."

Mathematics Update

To further improve your children's understanding of mathematics, we have decided to make some small changes to the grade 4 ESL schedule. This will allow them two periods per week to learn math with their math teacher, Mr. Graham. This time will be used to discuss any problems or concerns that they may have in the mainstream class. They won't lose any lessons as a result of this change, and we are confident that this shift will bring about positive results. Please feel free to arrange an appointment with Mr. Graham if there are any concerns or questions.

We will also be conducting small workshops for parents to provide some insight on what is happening in Wells' new math program, including ALEXS. The workshops will be held after school from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm from Tuesday, March 9th to Friday, March 12th. If you are interested, please contact the office or return the attached form to the office, and we we'll schedule you for one of the days. Positions for the workshop are limited to 4 or 5 parents per session, so please call early to reserve a time.

Parent Name _____
 Students name _____ Gr. _____

I would like to come in on ___ Tuesday ___ Thursday ___ Friday

WELLS PARENT ASSOCIATION

We finally have our first WPA. Thank you to the parents that were able to take time out to get involved in the Wells system. As we grow our parents' support in activities and other areas is greatly valued. Mr. Pasing (father of Mark, grade 6) has helped us put together few important tips about forming a WPA.

Why do we need a Parent Association?

High quality education requires that parents take their share of responsibility. The success of a child's education depends equally on the school and the parent, and that they work well together to produce great learning results and outcomes. This is expected. Wells School and parents have yet to meet this challenge, which is why it is important for us to set up a WPA.

Objectives:

1. To represent parents in supporting and working with the school and the teachers in their mission of providing high quality learning outcomes.
2. To allow parents to come together to assist and share with one another in order to determine our children's learning problems and opportunities.

Who and How?

All parents should be encouraged to share ideas and get involved voluntarily. A number of parent representatives, drawn from various communities and nationalities, get organized and volunteer to take responsibility and functions of WPA committee members. Becoming organized depends on initiatives and motivation among individual communities.



All communities representatives then come together, discuss their mission and plan, share ideas and assign functional responsibility, preferably in a democratic fashion.

Primary Family Fun Rally on Friday, March 26, 2010

The Wells Parent Association and administration have joined hands to put together a rally—the first time Wells has organized such an event for our families. Your support would greatly be appreciated. Passes to join in the fun will be 500 baht for each family, with up to 4 members per family. We have set the date for Friday, March 26, as students do not have classes on that day. The rally will begin at 3:30 and end around 5:30. We are still looking into finalizing the venue and will keep parents updated. Please contact Ms. Ann or

TISAC Updates

<u>3 February</u> Under 9 Wells (4) vs ASB (0) Under 11 Wells (4) vs ASB (1)	<u>4 February</u> Under 13 Wells (3) vs RASAMI (1) Under 15 Wells (2) vs KIS (5)
<u>11 February</u> Under 11 Wells (3) vs HFD (0)	<u>23 February</u> Under 13 Wells (3) vs STA (2)
<u>23 February</u> Under 9 Wells vs CHARTER (9) (0)	<u>3 March</u> Under 13 Wells vs ASB Wells wins by a forfeit
<u>3 March</u> Under 9 Wells (6) vs BCIS (7) Under 11 Wells (7) vs BCIS (1)	

UPCOMING GAMES

<u>5-March</u>	Senior Girls vs. KIS	3:30pm	PIYAROM
<u>9-March</u>	Senior Girls vs. STA	2:30pm	Arsenal Field
<u>11-March</u>	Senior Boys vs. STA	2:00pm	Pattio Field

UPCOMING...

MARCH 2010							
WK	M	T	W	TH	F	S	SU
	Holiday	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	PTC	27	28
	29	30	31				

- 1 Makabucha Day - Holiday
- 8 Super Achievers Assembly 8:00
- 22-26 No Bully week
- 26 PTC (No Classes for students)
Midterm Progress reports issued
- 26 Primary family rally

APRIL 2010							
WK	M	T	W	TH	F	S	SU
				1	2	3	4
	5	6	7	8	Holiday	10	11
	HOLIDAY					17	18
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	26	27	28	29	30		

- 2-12 Senior trip to Hawaii
- 6 Chakri Memorial Day - normal classes
- 8 Songkran Celebration
- 9 Substitution for Chakri Memorial Day .
- 12-16 Songkran break
- 19 Classes resume

Please take note of the change on April 6th to the 9th

Thank You from our Class of 2010



Thank you to all our Senior supporters who purchased Valentines grams from us. We really appreciate your kindness and hoped you enjoyed your Valentines with your loved ones.