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Christmas at UDIS

Come join us for our Christmas Bazaar on Thursday 15 December and our Christmas Festival on Friday morning from 8:15am. More information inside.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

15 December - Christmas Bazaar from 5: 15pm

16 December (half day) -Christmas festival, End of Term, from 8: 15am to 11:40am (half day of school). For costumes, please see the Christmas article earlier in this newsletter. IN THIS ISSUE:

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Message from the Head of School

Dear Parents

We are coming to the close of the first term of the 2016/2017 academic year. It has been a long term but also a term full of great learning throughout the school. We have also made some excellent progress as a school and have had two very successful visits from external bodies.

In November, we had a CIS visit by Jenni Thompson the School Support and Evaluation Officer for CIS. This visit was held in conjunction with our application for CIS membership. I am now pleased to announce that we have been successful in this application and that UDIS is now a full member of CIS.



All CIS Member Schools are high quality schools committed to incorporating international and intercultural perspective into their programmes so that students can move forward with the attitudes and understanding that will provide them with a solid base wherever their studies or work may take them.

To become members of CIS, schools participate in a rigorous application process which includes a visit to the school by a CIS staff member. Schools must meet the <u>Membership Criteria and Standards</u> and agree to support and uphold the <u>CIS Code of Ethics for Schools</u>.

We are really pleased to achieve CIS membership. It is a testament to the direction the school is taking that we are making these important steps in our journey to become a CIS accredited IB world school.

We also hosted our PYP consultant last week, Miss Maike Silver. She came away from her visit very pleased with the direction the school is taking and the progress we have made. She was satisfied that we have put in many of the necessary steps we need to become a fully authorised IB world school. This is again a testament to the hard work of the staff and community that is helping us make these important steps.

So, fantastic news to celebrate the end of Term 1. At this time, I would like to sincerely thank our community for their wonderful support and wish everyone a happy holidays and a wonderful 2017. I look forward to seeing everyone back in Term 2.



Best regards

Dr Lindsay Stuart Head of School

Inquiry corner

By Mr Michael Delcavo, Deputy Principal/Curriculum Coordinator

When we come back from the holidays all classes will be starting their third Unit which is posted outside the front office. The Early Years will be inquiring into their Unit for 10 weeks while the Primary Years will be inquiring into their Unit for roughly 5 to 6 weeks.

The teachers will be starting the new Units with some wonderful provocations upon return from the holiday break.

In the interest of keeping our students safe and healthy we ask that parents keep their children home while they are contagious. Different diseases are contagious for different amounts of time. Please refer to the following document to see how long children need to stay home if they fall ill.



Early Years Update

K1 class update - Roles in our community

By Ms Jennifer Chapman , K1 Teacher

As we are coming to the end of the Unit about people who help us in our community, the students are really reflecting on the various roles and their responsibilities. We have had a lot of fun on our field trip to the hospital and Police station and asked many questions. Through their role play and discussions students are showing their understanding of what jobs people have and how they help us. The students loved being chefs when making their own snack for snack time and being gardeners when looking after plants. Over the last few weeks we have seen the K1 classroom turn into a doctors, a shop, a hairdressers and a fire station!







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Primary Years Update

Year 2/3 class update - Unit connections on How Images Communicate Ideas and Information

By Ms Emmi Hines Year 2/3 Teacher

Our Year 2/3 class has spent some time diving into this unit. We have explored and inquired into logos, photography, presentations of projects, book illustrations, famous art pieces and movie images all to investigate their meanings or purpose. At the end of each unit students always take the time to reflect on their learning. Below are student pictures to show what students have been learning about.



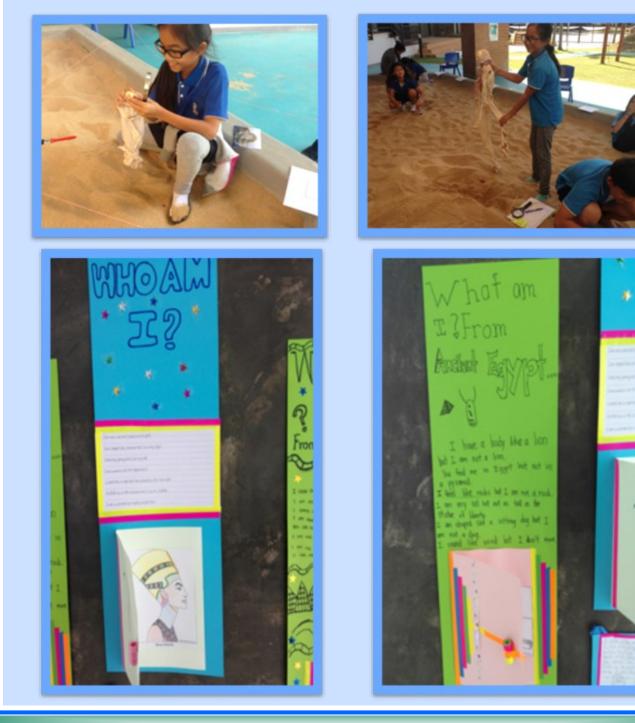


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Year 5/6 class update - Archaeologists Discovering Our Past And Its Connections To The Present And Future

By Ms Susan Mitchell, Y5/6 Teacher

Students in Year 5 / 6 over the last few weeks have been exploring artifacts of civilisations and interpreting their meaning in the context of past and present human life. They identified and discussed common traits of civilisations and compared and contrasted them to build deeper understandings. They also researched and presented dioramas demonstrating understanding of a day in the life of ancient Egyptians and Ancient Japanese people. Students created ancient Egyptian riddles for classmates to guess. In addition, Year 5 / 6 students participated in an archaeological dig together collecting, identifying and validating evidence using archaeological processes. Excavating proved to be an incredibly sandy experience for all! It has been a full and active time of discovery and fun.



Language and Culture

By Mr Wang Yankun, Chinese Teacher

MODERN LANGUAGES - CHINESE

As Christmas is coming to UDIS, our students are coming to the end of their first term of learning. Students have made a lot of progress in Chinese at all different levels. Early Years students have gained more understanding of Chinese speech while Primary Years students have looked deeper into Chinese culture, geography and Chinese history. Students have displayed amazing creativity during class activities and done a wonderful job this term.









Language and Culture

By Ms Phibzia Siddiqui, EAL Teacher

English as an additional language (EAL)

The EAL (English as an Additional Language) Program supports students from language backgrounds other than English. It aims to develop these students' English to enable them to participate fully in mainstream classrooms and to enhance their learning outcomes. Students are supported in small groups according to their English ability. EAL provides students with skills for everyday school routines as well as the formal skills of reading, writing, spelling, oral communication and structured grammar.









By Mr Michael Delcavo, Health and safety coordinator

In the interest of keeping our students safe and healthy we ask that parents keep their children home while they are contagious. Different diseases are contagious for different amounts of time. Please refer to the following document to see how long children need to stay home if they fall ill.

Condition	Exclusion period	
Antibiotics prescribed	Should stay at home for the first 2 days of the course and until the	
	fever has subsided	
Bad cough, heavy cold with dark mucous	Should stay at home until the mucous has cleared up and the coughing has subsided	
Bronchitis	Should be excluded until the child has been given appropriate treat- ment and feels well	
Temperature	If sent home ill, child must be off for 24 hours. They may return after this time if the temperature has returned to normal (without medication controlling the temperature)	
Vomiting	If sent home ill, child must be off for at least 24 hours after the last bout of vomiting.	
Sickness/Diarrhea	Should stay off until at least 48 hours have elapsed from the last bout and they are eating normally again	
Infective (Bacterial) Conjunctivitis (pink eye)	Should be treated with antibiotics, oral, drops or ointment, and the child should be kept at home for at least 48 hours. Can return when eyes are no longer weeping.	
Nonbacterial (allergic) conjunctivitis	A child with red eyes and clear watery discharge doesn't need antibiotics or to be excluded	
Chickenpox and Shingles	Should be excluded until all lesions have crusted. There should be no moist sores and the person feels well.	
Gastroenteritis, food poisoning, salmonello- sis and dysentery	Until authorized by your doctor that it is alright for your child to return to school	
Infective hepatitis	Child should be excluded for 7 days after the onset of jaundice or illness (Doctor's certificate needed)	
Measles	Should be excluded for 7 days after the onset of the rash (Doctor's certificate needed)	
Meningococcal infection	Until recovered from the illness (Doctor's certificate needed)	
Mumps	Until the swelling has subsided	
Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease	The child should be excluded until all blisters have dried up (Doctor's certificate needed)	
Pertussis (whooping cough)	21 days from the onset of paroxysmal cough	
Poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis)	Should be excluded for at least 2 weeks after onset or until declared free from infection by doctor	
Rubella (German Measles)	Should be excluded for 4 days after appearance of the rash or until a medical certificate of recovery is produced	
Scarlet fever and streptococcal infection of the throat	Until appropriate medical treatment has been given and declared free from infection by a Doctor in no care for less than 3 days	
Tuberculosis	Until declared free from infection by a Doctor	
Typhoid fever	Until declared free from infection by a Doctor	
Impetigo	Until the sores are fully healed	
Pediculosis (Head Lice)	Until appropriate treatment has been given and no eggs are present on scalp	
Plantar warts	No exclusion. Should be treated and covered	
Ringworm of the scalp	Until cured	
Ringworm of the body	Seldom necessary to exclude provided effective treatment is being given	
Scabies	Need not be excluded once appropriate treatment has been given	
Diphtheria	Should be excluded until after at least two negative nose and throat swabs and with medical certificate of recovery	

Christmas at UDIS

We have a wonderful set of Christmas activities that we encourage all to enjoy and participate in. On Thursday night (5:30 - 8pm) we have an amazing Christmas Bizarre set up. If Early Years students please be at the school by 5:15pm. Here we will have activities in the canteen and the staff room that will be set up like a market. We will have food and singing happening as well.



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On Friday we have some fun events set up for the students to participate in with activities that will be fun for all. The school day will begin as normal at 8:15am with all activities finished by 11:40am.

Please come and join us at both events.

Classroom costumes

Class	Costume
Preschool	Christmas colours; Santa hats.
К1	Girls: Dress or pants and shirt in Christmas colours (Red, Green, White, Black) Boys: Black Pants or Nice Jeans with shirts in Christmas colours (Red, Green, White, Black) Santa hats if you have them.
К2	Christmas colors if you have them. K2 will provide antlers, red nose, Santa hat and beard
Year 1	Girls: White top and white leggings or shorts with tights Boys: White T-shirt - white pants if possible or jeans. White cap. All Students: White Gloves
Year 2/3	Red, Green, White, shirts for boys or dresses for girls Black pants for boys and girls (if girls are not wearing a dress)
Year 4	Girls: Dress or pants and shirt in Christmas colours (Red, Green, White, Black) Boys: Black Pants or Nice Jeans with shirts in Christmas colours (Red, Green, White, Black)
Year 5/6	If possible- Red, Green, White, shirts for boys or dresses for girls Black pants for boys and girls (if girls are not wearing a dress)



Welcome to the 2016 UDIS Christmas Bazaar

Thursday, December 15th: 5:30pm-8:30pm

Merry Christmas

Market Atmosphere, Food Stalls, Christmas Crafts & Ornaments for Sale,Carols by Students

All proceeds go to Volunt2Thai to help local schools.

"Maybe Chrísmas he thought, doesn't come from a store. Maybe Chrístmas, perhaps, means a líttle more."

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Dear UDIS families,



UDIS will be offering very special Christmas festivities this year of the Grinch variety. This year we will be asking staff and students to consider the words of The Grinch...

Maybe Christmas he thought clossert come from a store. Maybe Christmas, PerhaPs, means a little more.

UDIS will be offering several activities as part of our Very Special Grinch Christmas. Throughout, we will be focusing on the learner profile attribute of caring, and the attitude of cooperation. As such, we have designed several activities leading up to Christmas aimed at providing students the opportunity to be caring and cooperate with others. Also, in the spirit of international mindedness, the UDIS community will be asked to consider how Christmas is celebrated around the world. Parents are welcome to get involved with any of the below activities, including offering a booth at the December 15th, Christmas Bazaar. Parents are invited to join in on the Christmas cheer. Please see your childs homeroom teacher to get involved.

During the Month of December:

Homeroom Class Preparation of Christmas Carols from around the world Sightings of The Grinch Donations for local flood victims collected and wrapped by students "More information to com Special Christmas Student Council Assembly UDIS Christmas Tree Decorating Special Year One Cooperation Assembly with The Grinch read aloud and The original movie. How the Grinch Stole Christmas Student Council Hosted Movie Night Showing: Home Alone and The Polar Express

Thursday, December 15th, 5:30pm-8pm. An Evening of Christmas Cheer:

Carols by Classes Christmas Bazaar *More information to come. Pictures with the Grinch

Friday, December 16th, Christmas House Games & a Special Grinchy Surprise:

House Games Special Grinchy Surprise

เรียน ผู้ปกครองนักเรียนโรงเรียนนานาชาติอุดรธานี

ในปีนี้โรงเรียนนานาชาติอุดรธานีจะจัดกิจกรรมเฉลิมฉลองสุดพิเศษเนื่องในโอกาสเทศกาลวัน คริสต์มาสผ่านตัวการ์ตูนกริ้นช์ (The Grinch) สีเขียวโดยเราจะถามนักเรียน ครูและเจ้าหน้าที่ในโรงเรียนว่า แต่ละคนมีความคิดเห็นอย่างไรเกี่ยวกับคำพูดของกริ้นซ์ที่ว่า......

"แท้จริงคริสต์มาสอาจไม่ใช่ที่เห็นทั่วไปตามห้างร้าน แท้จริงคริสต์มาสอาจจะมีความหมายที่มากมายกว่านั้น"

โรงเรียนนานาซาติอุดรธานีเรียนเชิญผู้ปกครองเข้าร่วมกิจกรรมที่เราจัดขึ้นในครั้งนี้ดังรายละเอียดด้านล่าง รวมไปถึงงาน Christmas Bizarre (ตลาดคริสต์มาส) ในวันที่ 15 เดือน ธันวาคม และงาน Christmas Cheer

<u>ในเดือนธันวาคม</u>

- ทุกระดับขั้นเรียนเตรียมเพลงคริสต์มาส
- โอกาสที่จะได้พบและใกล้ชิดกับตัวการ์ตูนกริ๊นซ์
- ร่วมบริจาคและรวบรวมสิ่งของให้กับผู้ประสบอุทกภัย
- กิจกรรมคริสต์มาสภาคพิเศษจากสภานักเรียนของโรงเรียนนานาชาติอุดรธานี
- การตกแต่งต้นคริสต์มาส
- การจัดกิจกรรมพิเศษของนักเรียนขั้น Year 1 ในคาบ Assembly ในหัวข้อความร่วมมือ พร้อมทั้ง กิจกรรมอ่านหนังสือ The Grinch และดูหนัง How the Grinch Stole Christmas ร่วมกัน
- สภานักเรียนจะจัดงาน Movie Night และหนังที่จะฉายคือ Home Alone และ The Polar Express

<u>วันพฤหัสบดี ที่ 15 เดือน ธันวาคม เวลา 17:30 น. - 20:00 น. งานคริสต์มาสเซียร์</u>

- ร้องเพลงคริสต์มาสของขั้นต่างๆ
- ตลาดคริสต์มาส * โปรดติดตามข้อมูลเพิ่มเติมอีกครั้ง
- ถ่ายภาพกับกริ๊นข์

วันศุกร์ ที่ 16 เดือน ธันวาคม เกมส์คริสต์มาส และเซอร์ไพรส์พิเศษแบบกริ้นซ์ๆ

- เกมประจำทีมต่างๆ
- เซอร์ไพรส์พิเศษแบบกริ๊นซ์ๆ

หมายเหตุ: สอบถามข้อมูลเพิ่มเติมได้จากครูประจำชั้นและครูผู้ช่วย

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Community Partnership Programme (CPP)

Welcome Jammie's recipe to our school's community partnership programme (CPP). Jammie's recipe will offer special promotions to all UDIS members from November, 2016. *Discount 5% if member show student card or Staff Card to them.*



Welcome Teaspoon Cafe to our school's community partnership programme (CPP). Teaspoon Cafe will offer special promotion to all UDIS members from November 2016, *Discount drinks menu and Frozen yogurt cup if member show student card or Staff Card to them.*



This year, we have introduced a House system at the school comprising five house teams. Students have been placed into these teams and able to gain points from classroom activities and school events.

The current house scores are:

House team	Current points
Red House Confucius	116
Blue House Martin Luther King	136
Black House Princess Diana	171
Green House Nelson Mandela	162
Yellow House Mother Teresa	164





Administration - Message from the office

Term 2 invoices due date Friday 2 December, 2016 (now overdue)

Community Partnership Programme (CPP)

UDIS operates a Community Partnership Programme (CPP) with local businesses in the Udon Thani area who wish to support the school and its staff and students. Under the CPP, these businesses have offered discounts and benefits to staff and students who present their UDIS ID card.

Find out more on our website (http://www.udoninternational.com/en/general-information/cpp/)

or contact the School Office for more information.

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