TCIS Middle School Newsletter November 2017

Dear TCIS Middle School Community Members,

The end of 2017 is already drawing near. We have had a great start to our school year here at TCIS and we have many things to celebrate.

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We would also like to take the time to celebrate our TCIS families. Without your support, our students could not be as successful as they are. Many thanks to all of you who spend who take the extra time to make sure homework is completed well, that your child gets a good night's sleep and they have the tools needed to be successful at school. We are very fortunate to have such great kids at TCIS and that is due in no small part to the parent base that we have.

I would also like to celebrate our MS staff. At any time of the day, night or on weekends, they make themselves available to help our students either academically, as chaperones at school activities, sporting events or on field trips. Many staff members put in countless hours of planning and preparation, grading coursework and research to make sure they are providing the best education possible for your children.

In closing, please remember that my door is always open to you. If for any reason you need to communicate with me, I can be reached at 090 242 3605 or by email, conrad.pholar@tcis.ac.th

Warmest regards,

Conrad M. Pholar Principal

各位親愛的家長:

學校將於11月24日星期五舉行華語文能力測驗,請所有中文外語班的學生參加這次測驗。學生當天須穿著學校制服。 測驗的時間是:基礎級Band A:8:00-10:00。進階級Band B 10:30-12:30。如果有任何疑問,請您與中文部謝忠安主任聯繫。謝謝!

謝忠安 ChungAn Hsieh(Tony) 中文部主任 Head of Chinese Department 泰國中華國際學校

Progress Reports

A reminder that 2nd quarter progress reports will be mailed to MS parents this Thursday, November 23. Students who receive a deficient report (Grade Point Average of 60% or lower) need t be signed by parents and returned to the MS office by Tuesday, November 28.

Middle School Assemblies

This year's MS Assemblies are a true testament to our students knowledge, talent and school spirit. Assemblies are held every Wednesday morning beginning at 7:25 am in our building's 6th floor. The programs include announcements, academic presentations, student performances, and a "Minute to Win It" competition (see link below). All parents are cordially invited to attend and join in on the fun!

https://www.facebook.com/tcisbkk/videos/1487014751353103/

TCIS On The Go!

TCIS is always on the go. This weekend was no exception as we had multiple teams out playing sports tournaments and our musicians out playing beautiful music. Dr. Li-Chou Chen organized our middle school students to participate in the KS3 Strings Festival at Bangkok Patana. This group spent 2 days practicing and rehearsing and then presented a concert at the Bangkok Patana School. Mr. Michael was one of the chaperons and he said that other directors were saying how "exceptional" and "highly talented" and amazingly "devoted" our TCIS students are when they participate in these events. Our middle school string students truly represented TCIS well and everyone was saying what a great concert they had and what a wonderful opportunity this was for our students. Keep up the great work Dr. Li-Chou and all our amazing middle school musicians!



TCIS 2018-19 Yearbook

The TCIS Wolves Yearbook team has been working hard to produce a great yearbook for all students in 2017-2018. They have been designing the cover and preparing the pages for class photos and team sports photos. The 2017-2018 Yearbook is going to look fantastic.

Emmy and Bam 8th Grade Yearbook Representatives TCIS Yearbook Staff

MS Students Lend a Helping Hand... by Ms Julie Chankow

It all began with a call for help from the Catholic Sisters, the Daughters of Charity in Phayao. They needed money to buy infant milk for babies born with HIV and they were short of funds because they lost one of their benefactors. MS students took over and held food sales and a Flea Market every month that made it possible to send 3,000 Baht to the Sisters. Thus "Child Help Child Project" was born. Since then we have been actively helping the Sisters with their projects mostly focuss on character formation programs and financial assistance to the underprivileged families for the education of their children. Last school year, we started supporting 6 Thai students in Nakhon Sri Thammarat with their school needs such as lunch money and school supplies. To date, MS students are supporting 10 Thai children. We are calling out to our parents and friends to help us by donating their loose coins, 25 satang and 50 satang coins to our cause. The target is 15,000 Baht or 1,500 baht per child for the second

semester. Be our partner in our "Child Help Child Project" - sharing what we have so other children may succeed!



The Thai students and their Families