



MONTESSORI ACADEMY BANGKOK INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



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 Book Week
 Ocean World field trip

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 Science Museum field trip
 Songkran Celebration & Holidays

Dear Parents,

We had a lot of fun celebrating reading and literature during Book Week. A big thanks to our guest author Krista Shim for sharing her book, experience and inspiring young children to read and write! A special thanks to all the parents who have donated books to school.

This month we started up our farming activities by making fertilizer out of banana roots and trunk and molasses. We also started to harvest some of the

vegetables in our garden to make into salad for lunch!

Several of our students participated in the Moose Games gymnastics meet and brought back several gold, silver and bronze awards for their skills!

We closed off the month with the Casa field trip to Bangkok Sea Life Ocean World where children marveled at the rich variety of sea creatures and enjoyed the mermaid show "Pra Apai Manee."

Have a wonderful Songkran Holidays from April 13-17th.

Songkran. We will be celebrating Songkran on Wednesday April 8 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the soccer field. Parents and family are invited to join. We will have games, food and water fun! Children are welcome to come



ELEMENTARY

March was filled with fun activities and celebrations. Tatsuru's 8th birthday was one of them! We also had a fun filled month of celebrating books. The Elementary class started their book report and projects at the beginning of March. The students really enjoyed sharing their Mystery Bags with their peers. We also had a grand time seeing the costumes and the masks that came along with celebrating children's books and their characters. Our students did a phenomenal job reading more books and in general sharing their experiences and thoughts about the books. The students yearn to read more so we are continuing the D.E.A.R. time in our class (Drop Everything And Read). Thank you for supporting the reading activities throughout the month!



CASA GREEN

The children immensely enjoyed book week and were very proud to show their book lists to their friends at school. This month we celebrated Taas' birthday, he turned 6 years old! All the children are busy working on new lessons, some of which are longer and more challenging. They especially enjoy watching each other completing new work and congratulating each other on proud achievements. Casa Green has been busy counting numbers to 1000! Some children have done math problems up to 10,000! It seems the bigger the number, the more interesting it is. We have introduced a new and fun sound game names 'Charades'. The children enjoy this game very much and this is great game to play at home as well.



CASA PURPLE

Casa Purple had a wonderful March! This month we celebrated Tin Tin, Ellie and Penelope's birthdays! We also celebrated Book Week, which turned out wonderfully. The children really enjoyed the activities surrounding Book Week including making book marks, writing stories, the read-a-thon, and the book swap which was especially popular! The masks and costumes for the parade on Friday were also great. For our geology unit this month, we studied the seasons and weather, the atmosphere, climate change, water cycle and survival and adaptations in preparation for our trip to Ocean World!

dressed for the occasion in traditional Thai or floral outfits.

The celebration will start with “Rot Nam Dam Hua” (paying respects to elders by pouring water) and a variety of activities, traditional dancing and free water play. We will provide cups to scoop water. (Water guns are not allowed.)

Please be sure to bring a change of clothes and undergarment and a towel.

Students will require tickets to participate in the activities listed below. You can purchase a book of 4 coupons for Bt 100 at the Finance Office from Monday April 6 onwards or send in the money with a note to your student’s teacher. One coupon is good for one round of an activity.

Activities (that require tickets)

Can Can, Smack the Barrel, Fishing for Eggs, Weaving with Wicker, Making Somtam, Making Snow Ice

Parking. If you are driving yourself and need to park within the campus, please pick up a parking ticket at the Finance Office starting Monday April 6. Tickets will be distributed on a first come first served basis. If you have a driver, we kindly ask for your driver to find parking outside of campus. We appreciate your cooperation.

Parent Observation – Elementary Class. We would like to invite parents who are interested in seeing the Elementary class in session to sign up with Khun May for an observation. We welcome parents between 9:30-11 a.m. Monday – Friday.

Parent Education. The parent education session will be “Reward & Motivation” on Wednesday April 29th from 3:10-4pm.

Montessori Association of Parents (MAP). MAP will hold its next meeting on April 21st from 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Unwell Children. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation to keep unwell children at home. Kindly refer to the MABIS Health Guidelines should you have any questions.

School Hours. Please be reminded that school starts at 8:00 am and all students enter class by 8:30 am. Arriving to school late disturbs your child’s sense of order and also disrupts a class that is already in session. Your child will also miss out valuable lessons and time to learn. Students who arrive after 8:30 am may not be permitted to enter class. If your child has a doctor’s appointment or other reasonable excuse, please inform the school in advance for a late arrival exception.

TODDLER BLUE

We had an exciting month with Book Week activities, Eden’s 2nd Birthday celebration and welcoming Star, our newest member to Toddler Blue! During Book Week, the Toddler classes focused on Eric Carle as an author. We talked about what an author does and how Eric Carle has written many books for children. The stories we read were, The Hungry Caterpillar, Head to Toe, and Pancake Pancake. We also talked about the life cycle of a Butterfly, made caterpillar crafts and bookmarks, and baked butterfly cookies. Thank you parents for all your support in reading the many books with your children and making their adorable costumes for the Book Character Parade. For our term topic, we explored the our sense of sight and sound and made fairy bread for snack, colorful sensory bottles and musical shakers from toilet paper rolls filled with rice.



TODDLER YELLOW

We celebrated Book Week by reading books written by the children's author Eric Carle, focusing on The Very Hungry Caterpillar, which talks about the life cycle of the butterfly and received lots of attention from our students. In Art and Cooking we explored our senses by making sensory bottles, caterpillar bookmarks, egg cup caterpillars, musical seed shakers, butterfly cookies, apple cinnamon puff pastries, fairy bread and banana smoothies! Please check your Toddlers bag in the evenings as sometimes we send home crafts or edibles that we made during the day.

We are focusing on grace and courtesy and would really appreciate your help to reinforce these important life lessons at home as well as in school. Our four main mantras are: walking feet, inside voice, gentle hands and taking turns. Always encourage your Toddler to finish what they started and to return objects to their rightful place, this sense of order will give them structure and help them to feel secure in their environment.

