

World Environment Day Commune Clean-Up in Salakamreuk

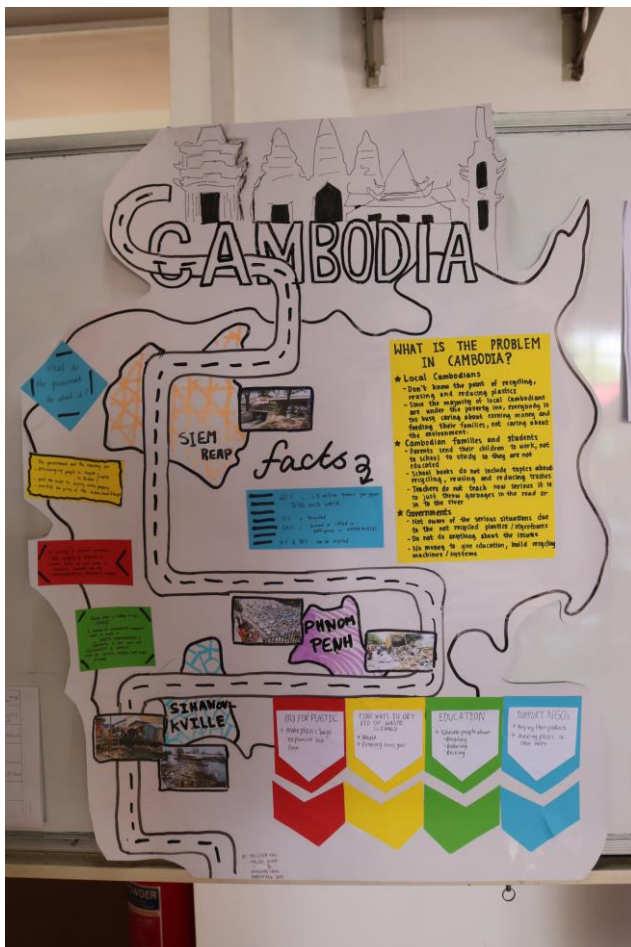
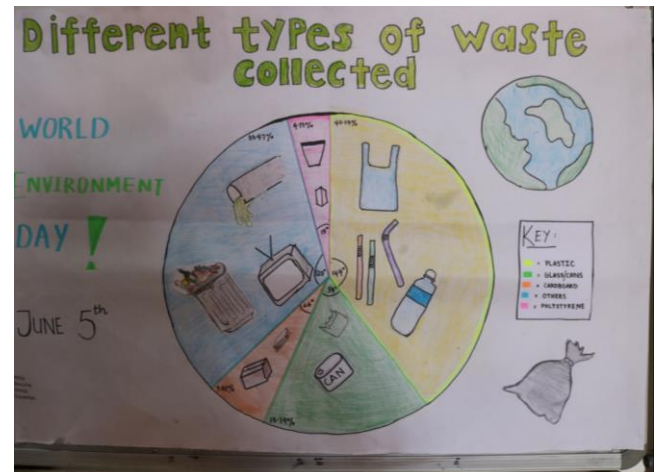
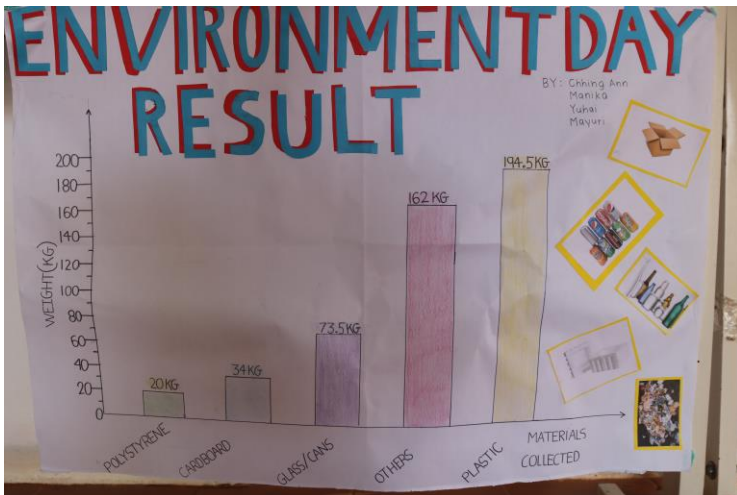


On Wednesday, June 5th, World Environment Day, ISSR High School Campus took action through a school wide project to demonstrate our concerns about the attitudes of the local community to rubbish disposal. Students had been preparing for this day for several weeks and they had produced a range of visual displays and signs to be used on the day.

The day began with a series of House activities related to the theme and various representatives from relevant NGOs and a representative from the Sala Kamreuk Commune spoke to the students about their project and the impact it would make in the local community. And then it was off the back blocks of the commune. Our whole school, students, support staff and teachers, gathered at a number of sites in Sala Kamreuk Commune to pick up refuse and waste and to spread the message to the local community.

After 3 hours of toil the students had collected a massive half a tonne of rubbish. The intention was not only, to pick the rubbish but to analyse what it is, where it came from, why it's there and determine what could be done with it. Students participated in workshops and focus groups to heighten their awareness of the multitude of strategies and options available and they produced a number of projects related to the event. This clean-up is something the school takes very seriously and our thanks go to Ms. Giulia and Ms. Li Wei for their excellent organization of the event.





World Environment Day

What a World of Waste!



On the morning of Wednesday, June the 5th, the ISSR High School divided into four houses to undertake a local litter pick up for nearly three hours.

Ms. Giulia Balducci, one of the organizers of the Environment Cleanup Event, told us that the event was mainly to raise awareness in the local area and the school's own students. People do not realize how much we contribute to the plastic pollution and how much it is increasing nowadays.

"I try to avoid plastic all the time". She said when we were interviewing her.

However, she mentioned how plastic has become really part of our culture. Everywhere you see people using plastic, polystyrene and other plastic. In fact, 40% of all the rubbish collected by the school was single-use plastic.

At the end of the day, Giulia Balducci announced that the trash would be collected by the local commune to be sold to be recycled.

Ms. Li Wei, the other organizer of the WED, told us that she organized this event because today (June 5, 2019) is World Environment Day. This event is a good lesson to teach us just how much of the earth is polluted by rubbish. When asked "How has your perspective on litter pollution changed?" She told us, "I was shocked that we collected so much plastic and polystyrene in such a short space of time. We have to think about this problem every day." Lastly I asked what she hoped to gain from this. She said "I hope locals and students will think about these problems and that the locals who saw us picking up rubbish start to picking up their rubbish and stop throwing their rubbish onto the road."

Irreversible?

One of the student's called Felix Wijnberg wanted to raise an awareness of littering and plastic pollution.

He told us that "it's a good thing for the environment, but it's going to be a tough job". He said that he was proud to be keeping the environment healthy for future generations; to be a role model for the community and making a contribution to the community. When I asked how he felt after picking up all the trash he saw lying on the streets. He responded "It's a lot of work, and it also gains more respect from us for the people who clean the streets." It is getting him thinking 'how long is it going to be until all of this is going to be irreversible?

He hasn't really changed his opinion on litter because he was already aware of this type of plastic pollution around the world. But he hopes that other people will change their attitude for the sake of our world.



The Yellow Army at work



Some of the 500 kilos of waste

我们的世界我们的环境

所有明天的花朵都在今天的种子中

6月5日是世界环境日，我们学校举办了清理暹粒的活动。我们开始时有一个小型的迷你游戏，如塑料，聚苯乙烯，罐子和瓶子，纸和纸板以及其他废料如布料等等。从上午8:30到上午10点40分左右。每个车队首先进入公交车的不同路线然后我们将走向学校，同时开始清理任务。学校提供了老师和学生们手套，钳子，口罩和塑料袋等设备，以容纳我们拾取的垃圾。GAEA加入



虽然天气非常炎热干燥，很多人对此抱怨，但每个学生都很好地一起工作，很高兴能够参加这个活动，帮助环境变得更加清洁。一些学生说，“天气非常炎热，他们出汗太多，无法收拾每一个垃圾，但我们很乐意帮助环境，”。在活动期间，老师们总是在周围，确保每个人都安全，提供恒定的饮料，如水，甘蔗汁和柠檬草蜂蜜茶。老师不断为我们带来新的手套，以防止细菌和细菌进入我们的身体。大多数人第一次到达时注意到的第一件事就是到处乱扔垃圾的可怕味道。一个学生说，“哇哦！我不知道暹粒收获环境真是令人作呕！”然而，经过我们的清理，周围环境看起来好多了。作为学校的代表，我们认为每个人都应该帮助和合作，通过禁止在街上扔垃圾来使环境更加清洁，让暹粒成为我们每个人生



ISSR n'a pas peur de la saleté

Le 5 juin 2019

Par les élèves de français



Le début du changement

Aujourd'hui étant la journée mondiale de l'environnement, nous avons décidé d'aider la communauté de notre quartier en ramassant leurs déchets dans quatre routes différentes. Tous les élèves et les membres du staff de notre collège, ainsi que la manager de Clean Green Cambodia et du personnel de GAEA s'y sont mis.

Les bienfaits d'aider la communauté

Le nettoyage peut susciter un sentiment de communauté et une responsabilité de garder nos maisons et nos communes sûres et propres. Des résultats visibles pourraient susciter un intérêt et une implication accrus des membres de la communauté dans la réduction des déchets et du gaspillage alimentaire, ainsi que dans la préservation de l'environnement.

Les témoignages

Oggy - Year 9

“C’était bien organisé et très utile pour la communauté. J’ai appris que le Cambodge est extrêmement sale.”

Sophea - Year 9

“Il faisait très chaud cependant c’était amusant. J’ai eu un sentiment de fierté à la fin et je voudrais le refaire.”

Kimhai - Year 11


“Je me suis rendu compte qu’il y avait beaucoup trop d’ordures dans les environs.”

Mr Michael - Professeur d'économie

“C’est de la plus haute importance. J’ai aimé que l’on fasse quelque chose tous ensemble et qu’on puisse partager un but commun.”

Ms Li Wei - Professeur de mathématiques

“Je suis impressionnée par l’effort que les élèves ont fourni et j’espère que ça va inspirer le pays à faire attention à l’environnement.”





Nous avons divisé les élèves en quatre Equipes (maisons). Félicitations à la maison de Ta Prohm qui a ramassé 147 kg de déchets. Suivi de celle d'Angkor avec 139,5 kg et Banteay Srei avec 129,5 kg et enfin, Bayon avec 71 kg.

Merci à tous pour votre participation!

Year 13 Graduation Ceremony

On 14th June 2019, the Graduation Ceremony for ISSR Secondary School students took place in the auditorium of ISSR Primary School.

During the graduation ceremony, certificates of completion of their studies were awarded to the seven Year 13 students: Amandine Bopha Rossier, Chan Woo Choi, Gaeul Kim, Jaemin Kim, Junmin Kim, Koki Yoshimoto and Nadia Sophear Tracey. Family and friends attended the ceremony to share in the success of our graduates, together with all Secondary ISSR students and teachers.

The ceremony was inaugurated by ISSR Director Mr. Nev Turner. He was followed by Mr. Taliv, the Cambridge Curriculum Coordinator, Examinations Officer and Assistant Principal, who delivered a heartfelt speech on the personal and academic progress of all graduates. Mr. Peter Greener, the Secondary Principal and main speaker at this year's graduation event, gave an insight into their possible futures. During his speech two special merit certificates were also awarded to two of the graduates, Gaeul Kim and Junmin Kim, for their outstanding achievements throughout their years at ISSR. Following the presentation of awards and certificates, Chan Woo delivered a powerful valedictory speech, sharing his journey throughout high school, his advice, along with his own aspirations and ambitions for the future.

Not only speeches were given. The graduates showcased their range of talents one last time: we had a lovely piano performance by Gaeul, a flawless classic guitar performance by Junmin and also Nadia performed, singing a beautiful song.

As Year 13 Form Tutor and Key Stage Coordinator, I proudly congratulate all graduates on their academic achievements and successful graduation from ISSR Secondary School and wish them continued success in their future endeavours.

Ms. Giulia



GRADUATING CLASS 2018-19



**SPECIAL MERIT
AWARDS**
GAEUL KIM
JUNMIN KIM



Year 7 Field Trip

As an end of year field trip the Year 7s went to ICF Cambodia where the students tried out the newly opened Ninja Warrior obstacle course. All the students showed how brave they were by taking their turn on the various obstacles. The activities on the course are set above the large lake at ICF and students needed to have strength and balance to avoid falling into the water. They also got to go swimming and canoeing on the lake.

In the afternoon the students went to Cambo Beach for lunch and to enjoy the pool and the various water activities that are available at around the pool area.

Ms. Claudine



YEAR 7 DAREDEVILS

Year 8 Field Trip



On one of the hottest days in June, the year 8's were ice cool as they entered Cambo Beach for their day of decadent luxury. Hard work pays off and it was a pleasure to spend the day relaxing, swimming and eating. There were also furious table tennis matches, billiards and of course, high diving from the 3 metre platform. At times it seemed like the sky was raining teenagers as they faced their fears and took the plunge. Some students read books in the shade, some played card games and some floated endlessly in the pool. Whatever they chose to do, the year 8's earned it through dedication and goal setting.



Special thanks to Ms. Bonet and Ms. Jane who came along to help supervise. Days like these are a reminder that there is always light at the end of the tunnel.

Focus in Fauna

Also during field trip week the Year 7 and Year 8 visited Fauna in Focus, Siem Reap's first nature discovery centre. Through nature discovery, environmental education and workshops, Fauna in Focus aims to inspire a new generation of nature lovers and wildlife conservation leaders across Cambodia. This is done via guided visits to the centre, interactive learning stations, nature conservation movies, conversation-based activities and Q&A sessions with their knowledgeable staff. By the end of the visit students had gained a deeper understanding of wildlife conservation, biodiversity and environmental issues.



Year 9 Phnom Kulen Expedition

On the 12-13th June Year 9 students went hiking and camping at Phnom Kulen National Park which is located in Svay Leu District about 48 km Siem Reap and about 25 km from Prasat Banteay Srey. Phnom Kulen is the birthplace of the Khmer Empire, full of rich history and natural beauty.

The national park is located on a mountain, along the Kbal Spean River, which is tributary of Siem Reap River. The site is accessible by trekking uphill through a 1.5 km jungle track from the parking site. The river is shallow and many waterfalls have formed along the river.

The first day we trekked 4 km through the jungle to the big waterfall, this was hard work for some students, but the beautiful surroundings spurred everyone on. Along the way we discovered clouds of butterflies, termites decomposing fallen trees, many spiders and one scorpion. In the afternoon we swam in a cool, deep pool below Kbal Spean River's largest waterfall. It was the first time that many students had swum in a river, camped, climbed a mountain or had a bonfire.

At the campsite, Namyoung was quick to get a bonfire going, and he served everyone a pre-dinner barbecue. While the food was cooking, the rest of the Year 9s explored the woodland and river. The rope swing over the river proved popular and it wasn't long before daring leaps into the river began. The evening and second day were equally enjoyable, whether it was admiring giant trees and secret caves or the reclining Buddha, everyone had a great time and many new experiences.



Year 10 Field Trip

On Thursday 13th June the Year 10 students went on their end of year field trip. The students had choice between biking and archery in the morning and then all of the students met at Cambo Beach for a relaxing afternoon by the pool.

The archery group went to Royal Archery Club where they had a 90 minute training session in the basics of archery and they were able to spend some time refining their skills. All of the equipment was provided by the club so the students were able to have the use of professional grade equipment for the activity.

The biking group, who were led by an experienced guide (Mr. Samnang), undertook a 50 km bike ride on the circuit trail around the West Baray. The trail took them around the western boundary of the Angkor Archeological Park west of Angkor Thom. The route took the riders along sealed road and off road on single track forest paths. At the end of the trail the students rode their bikes to Cambo Beach for the afternoon activities.

Both groups enjoyed a refreshing dip in the pool and the more energetic ones sampled some of the facilities on offer. For most students, they were happy to eat some food and chill!

Thanks must go to Ms. Claudine and Ms. Li Wei for organizing the trip and Mr. Samnang for giving up his time to go with the cycling group.



YEAR 10 FIELD TRIP

CYCLING WEST BARAY AND CAMBO BEACH

KS3 Music Class Performances

On the 10th of June assembly the Year 7, 8 and 9 Music classes presented the songs they had been working on this semester. It is amazing to see the depth of talent, musically we have in the school and the range of instruments that the students can play. There is still some work to do on aspects of performing songs live and I look forward to seeing the students improve their performances in the year ahead.



MUSIC, MUSIC
MUSIC !

HS Talent Show

On Tuesday the 18th June, the Student Council reps plus a few extras students created, organised, hosted and managed a student/staff based Talent Show. The challenge was put out to the various year level groups to sing a song, tell a joke, magic trick, impersonate/impressions, comedy routine, skit show, interview, read a poem, do a jig, dance like nobody's watching etc.

The idea was to showcase talents, have some fun and allow a student managed/centered activity to take shape. The show kicked off at 9.00am and finished after lunch time due to the amount of extreme talent on display. There were so many positive and worthwhile things going on in June and it was a perfect time to build momentum for next year.



Key Dates

Monday 12th August 2019-20 Academic Year begins

Friday 23rd August Welcome Meeting for parents.

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