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# Ground Breaking Ceremony: Saturday, March 11th

On this day, the International School of Siem Reap celebrated a major step forward in the development of the School with the official ceremony to mark the commencement of the construction of the new building.







Artist's impression of the new campus







# Attainment and Progress Awards



The following students have been presented with attainment awards for academic achievement, and progress awards for their determined attitude during the period November 2016 – March 2017. The awards are based upon the students' mid-term assessments and IGCSE trial examinations.

attainment

Sophia Himm (Y7)

Elsa Bourdonneau (Y8)

So Theary Seng (Y8)

**Yuvan Theo Dumas** (Y9)

Sokcheathong Yem (Y9)

Pei Shan Taing (Y10)

Fast-tracking to IGCSE Mandarin Chinese in Y10

**Heerim Han** (Y11)

7+ A/A\* grades in the trial examinations

Gaeul Kim (Y11)

7+ A/A\* grades in the trial examinations

Siv Hong Lor (Y11)

7+ A/A\* grades in the trial examinations

Koki Yoshimoto (Y11)

7+ A/A\* grades in the trial examinations

progress

Pierre Alain Hely (Y7)

Nann Siv (Y8)

Sok Heng Sreng (Y8)

Léa Diwo (Y9)

Rosita Wijnberg (Y9)

Reaksmey Morgan (Y10)

**Bunho Tan** (Y11)

5+ A/A\* grades in the trial examinations

Watchray Yin (Y11)

5+ A/A\* grades in the trial examinations

Congratulations ....



To **Tevy Saroeun** of Year 11 who has been selected as a member of the National Golf team in the South East Asia Games to be held in Kuala Lumpur. In July she will also attend university summer school in St. Andrews, Scotland including an intensive English program in the morning and Golf in the afternoon. Tevy is a highly talented golfer and we are sure that she will continue to build upon her great accomplishments.



To **Vireak Bodh Yay** of Year 9 who has been selected as one of the top six mathematicians in Siem Reap. We wish him the very best of luck in the forthcoming National competition to be held in Battambang from  $24^{th} - 29^{th}$  April.

Both students exemplify the attitude that success is always attainable provided one is sufficiently determined and prepared to invest maximum effort. Well done, both of you!

#### Examination Timetable: Year 11 French and Mandarin Oral Examinations

The oral examinations for IGCSE French and Mandarin will take place on Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Students have already been briefed as to the structure of the examination. Students who do not arrive at the preparation room at least fifteen minutes prior to the commencement of the actual examination will not be given any time to compensate.

ARRIVAL TIME ROOM 203	EXAMINATION TIME	Candidate number	Mandarin Chinese ROOM 205	Candidate number	French ROOM 204
0815	830	1	Nadia Tracey	5	Gaeul Kim
0830	845	3	Heerim Han	8	Tevy Saroeun
0845	900	4	Junmin Kim	9	Sereyvathana Sarin
0900	915	6	Jungmin Lee	11	Bory Rit Yin
1000	1015	7	Siv Hong Lor	12	Watchray Yin
1015	1030	10	Bunho Tan		
1030	1045	13	Koki Yoshimoto		
1045	1100	14	Pei Shan Taing		

# Examination Timetable: Year 9 Checkpoint Examinations

Year Nine students will be sitting the CIE Checkpoint Examinations in English, Mathematics and Science from Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> until Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. Students will be briefed by the individual subject teachers as to the requirements for each examination in particular with regard to the materials (if any) they are required to bring. The Checkpoint examinations will be conducted during lesson times, but in the examination room (303). Students who are late for the examinations or are absent will not be given time in compensation, nor can the examinations be scheduled for alternative dates.

Day	Date	Time	Code	Subject	Component	Length
		0815-0900	1113/01	Science	Paper 1	45m
Tues	18.04.17	1105-1215	1111/01	English	Paper 1	1h+10 min reading time
		1105-1155	1110/1	English (2nd Lang)	Reading & Usage	50m
Wed	19.04.17	1050-1150	1112/01	Mathematics	Paper 1 (non-	1h
Th	20.04.17	0815-0900	1113/02	Science	Paper 2	45m
Thurs		1115-1215	1112/02	Mathematics	Paper 2 (calculator)	1h
Fri	21.04.17	0800-0910	1111/02	English	Paper 2	1h+10 min reading time
		0800-0850	1110/02	English 2nd Lang	Writing	50m
		0915-1000	1110/03	English 2nd Lang	Listening	45m approximately

Examination Timetable: Year 11 and Year 13

This has been issued as a separate document to the respective year groups.

#### Year 11 and Year 13 study leave

Study leave will begin from **4pm on Friday**, **28th April**. The students face a large number of examinations – Year 11, for example, will be sitting in excess of thirty examinations each of which is 1-2 hours in length – and will need to spend a significant amount of time revising. From the above date, Y11 and Y13 students will only be required to be present in school for the actual examinations; they must be dressed in school uniform and arrive at the latest thirty minutes prior to the commencement of each examination.

During the study leave period, students are of course welcome to attend school at any time in order to revise and / or to engage in individual / small group consultation and revision sessions with specific teachers. Some teachers may organise timetabled revision sessions after discussion with their class.

All students will be expected to attend the end of term celebrations scheduled for June 16th.

#### Year 11 Assembly:

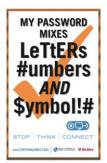
Extending the theme of cyberbullying in a previous assembly, the Principal delivered a presentation on both the enormous benefits afforded by the Internet but also the threats which the Internet can present, especially to young and impressionable people.

Among the topics covered included the avoidance of posting any private photographs online and unacceptable posts in blog sites and online forums.









The students were advised not to give out any personal information to anybody except known and trusted friends, and to ignore phone calls from unknown numbers. Furthermore, the Principal explained the difference between the concept of "friends" as opposed to "acquaintances" particularly with reference to Facebook and other online social media, warned students against accessing sites clearly marked as unsuitable for their age group, highlighted the dangers of downloading certain file types, and stressed the need to avoid communicating with strangers.

#### Inter-House Quiz

The Y11s (namely Maylis, Koki, Watchray) prepared and delivered an engaging general knowledge quiz which was suitably accessible for all students from Y7 to Y13. Working against the clock, students had to work rapidly in their houses to come up with answers to the challenging questions which they did so maturely and effectively. Well done to students in Bayon and Banteay Srei for coming joint 1st! (MEJ)



# International Day

We are very proud of the students in their decision independently to organise an international day House competition and presentation, and our thanks go to the Council and the House Leaders for planning and coordinating the event which, having been held on a Saturday, did not impact upon the Year 11 and 13 students as they prepare for their examinations. The Houses each chose a country from each of the continents – Italy, New Zealand, South Korea and Mexico – and the day began with students making preparations for a range of activities including cooking, costumes, decoration and performance.





The students came into school on Saturdays in advance of the event itself in order to prepare, and it was particularly encouraging to see different age groups working together, which is one of the benefits of the House system.



Tae Kwon Do display – with musical accompaniment – by Ta Prohm (South Korea)



Banteay Srei performs the Haka



Angkor Wat House with its delicious range of Mexican food



Lucas impresses the judges with his speech in Latin, part of the varied presentation on Italy by Bayon House



Head of School and Masterchef Vichea Balch



Leonardo Da Vinci makes an appearance



Winning House: Banteay Srei (New Zealand) Head of House, Watchray Yin, receives the House Shield

## House Points International Day

Angkor Wat 24 points (4 <sup>th</sup> )		Bayon	25 points (3 <sup>rd</sup> )
Banteay Srei	27 points (1 <sup>st</sup> )	Ta Prohm	26 points (2 <sup>nd</sup> )

#### Running total 2016-17

Angkor Wat	127 points (1 <sup>st</sup> )	Bayon	121 points (3 <sup>rd</sup> )
Banteay Srei	123 points (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	Ta Prohm	107 points (4 <sup>th</sup> )

Everything to play for on Sports Day on March 31st!

Our thanks go to the judges and to the parents, teachers and friends of ISSR who supported the event in such large numbers. The standard of the students' preparation was of the highest order, and the leadership and organisational skills necessary to ensure such success were most evident. The students should derive great and justified satisfaction in what they achieved.

The School at Work: March 2017



#### Science: Force

Year 7 students are investigating the forces that engineers have to account for when building bridges. Here students were engaged in a competition to build the longest bridge which could sustain a 50 gram weight placed in the middle. (MEJ)



# Citizenship: Celebrating International Women's Day

Here we learned about four inspirational women from around the world who had overcome real hardships in their lives. This ranges from dealing with the destructive forces of natural disasters to human created atrocities. All four are now leaders who work tirelessly to champion for rights for women in their communities. They represent women from Egypt, Kenya and Bangladesh. (MEJ)

# Drama in the curriculum / Performance Arts ECA







Since its introduction, first as an ECA only for full-time students, Drama has met with considerable enthusiasm from all those involved and resulted in the subject becoming embedded in the curriculum and extended to all students in Years 7 - 9. Now that the ECA programme has finally embraced the entire school, Performing Arts have enjoyed a tremendous uptake from all age ranges. There is no doubt that Drama is a major contributor to the development of confidence, creativity and communication skills. It demands imagination, teamwork and quick thinking. What has been very encouraging is to see the "unlocking" of talent amongst students who have never before experienced this kind of work, and to watch as a whole new aspect of their personalities is fostered.

We look forward to the introduction of Cambridge IGCSE Drama as one of the options available to Year 10 with effect from Term #1 2017-18.



# **The High School Council**

The High School is very conscious of the responsibility it bears in representing the student body. Councillors meet regularly for working lunches and, at times in liaison with the House Leaders and teachers, discuss matters pertaining to the development of the School and the preparation of events. In the photograph above, the Council are considering proposals for international day.





Happy Year Book students!

plaster moulding



Inter-schools athletics: Saturday, 25th March

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