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Creative Arts Week

The theme for Creative Arts Week was recycling. It has been a week packed with creative activities for the children (and adults) to enjoy. It started with a fashion show on Monday and ended with a Fair and a variety of performances from each year group. The performances included singing, rapping, dancing, playing the ukele and even a solo violinist. It was lovely to see parents and friends

enjoying the performance and also taking the opportunity to do a bit of pre-holiday shopping.

The Early Years put on a performance of songs which charmed everyone who watched this morning. We also had workshops running in school throughout the week, from jewellery making to fashion from trash.

Ali Sanderson, Leang Seckon and Fleur Bourgeois Smith were our artists in residence for the week. They helped the children to create some amazing sculptures and installations using recycled products. The installation by the pool looked incredible.

There was also a fashion show where the children inspired by Monday's show wore the recycled clothing they had made at the beginning of the week .

Over 200 children from KS1 and KS2 went on a visit to the Khmer Arts Academy for a dance and music performance.

We had a performance by Hip Hop artists Klap Your Handz. We also had drumming and dance performances.

Key stage 1 and 2 children visited the Reyum Art gallery and the French Cultural Centre to see different exhibitions.

We had an up and coming local architect, Sokly, who came in to talk about regeneration and run a workshop with our older students. A huge thank you to Mr Andy and Ms Bec for organising this wonderful week.

What an incredible way to end teaching block 3

We hope you all have a great holiday with your children

The iCAN Team

GIVE A GIFT

APPEAL

Thank you so much, to everyone who donated a gift to this years appeal for the children at C.D.C.C.

A special thanks to Douglas (Year 4) and his family who have also donated enough mosquito nets and soap for every child. The gifts will be truly appreciated!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AT A GLANCE

- ©5/1 Teaching block 4 starts at 8am
- ©16/1 Y4P Assembly at 8.30am
- ©19/1 After School Clubs start this week
- ©23/1 Y2D Assembly at 8.30am
- ©26-30/1 Maths Week
- ©13/2 End of teaching block 4

Creative Arts Week Passion for Fashion

Leang Seckon





We started our Creative Arts Week with a fashion show featuring world famous super models wearing outfits made from recycled materials. The show was hosted by one of our artists in residence, Fleur. The outfits provided plenty of inspiration for all the children who then designed and created their own outfits which they modelled on Tuesday. (See the photos on the following pages)





Mr A

The outfits modelled were originally shown in the Fashion Show held at Elsewhere, here in Phnom Penh in 2007, as part of the Rubbish Project. The project, founded by Leang Seckon and Fleur Smith in 2006, is a grassroots indigenous environmental arts movement. See page 17 for more

information and to see some amazing photos of their NAGA sculpture in Siem Reap.













Ms. Siman and Ms. Lekhena



The iCAN Fashion Show





We performed our fashion show on Tuesday afternoon. The latest styles of both clothes and accessories were modelled by all the children. These included some really inspirational and innovative designs which used the most unusual materials.



Early Years recycled fashion



Our children in Early Years used old menus and newspapers donated by the F.C.C. to put together some fantabulous outfits and accessories. For more Early Years photos please turn over!

Creative Arts Week in our Early Years Unit



Creative Arts Week in Key Stage 1



Creative Arts Week: In Key Stage 2

It's been a fun packed week up in Key Stage 2. We've produced so much art work this week, that by Thursday morning you could hardly see the floor in most of the classrooms! We hope you had chance to come into School on Friday and see our creative performances and also the work that we have exhibited around school.

Maths Week is coming soon ... it starts Monday 26th January 2009!















Drumming and Dance club performed their ensemble earlier in the week. Vibrations and beats could be felt throughout the School. Thanks to the musical Mr. Andy and dance-tastic Ms. Nour !



Creative Arts Week: In Key Stages 2 & 3





Years 6 and 7 enjoyed a visit from a young, local architect on Thursday, when they learnt all about points and lines (horizontal, vertical and dynamic). There was also a workshop and Mr. Sokly will be running a Young Architects after School club in the New Year.



Years 6 & 7 Dance performance. Thanks to Mr. Paul for providing the inspiration and enthusiasm!













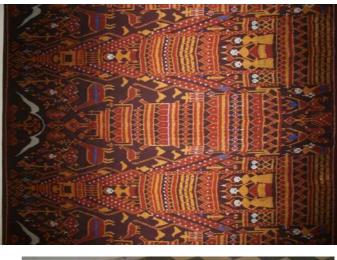




Reyum Gallery Visit to see exhibition of Pidan.









Pidan means ceiling, and the exhibition at Reyum celebrated the art of Pidan using silk. Pidan can also be painted directly onto ceilings or can be carved into wood. Pidan is placed above statues of Buddha and is used in pagoda's. Pidan often celebrates traditional stories.





French Cultural Centre Visit

Three classes visited the French Cultural Centre on Thursday. Year 7 were inspired by an exhibition of photos that focused on snapshots of real life. They decided to make photo storyboards of their own.





















Key Stage 1 & 2 visit to Khmer Arts Academy

















Sophiline Cheam Shapiro and John Shapiro (Parent's of Eli and Cameron in 3M) are the Directors of The Khmer Arts Academy and their Ensemble has performed at iCAN several times. This year they invited us to visit their incredible open-air theatre in Takmau for a special performance. They performed a number of short pieces including the well known 'Monkey dance' which featured iCAN's Eli and Cameron. Following the performance we were all treated to a delicious lunch before getting the 200 iCAN children back on the buses and heading back to school.















International School Swim Meet Take your marks ... get set ... GO!





On Saturday 22nd November we joined our Northbridge, I.S.P.P. and Lycee Descartes at C.C.C. for our first ever inter-school swim meet.

The following children represented our School:

Year 7's Sarah, Sowon, Jessica, An, Linda and Regis Year 6's Raphael, Emma, Matteo, Raven, Lily, Celina, David, Ana, Lucy, Jonah and Aaron

Year 5's Mai, Ellie, Ponnaka, Emily, Anouk, Jalesa, Adi, Year 4's Sinah, Villy, Sovannrith and Lucy

The iCAN swimmers were absolutely amazing, both in and out of the water! We were so proud of their team-spirit, cheering each and every swimmers (regardless of which team they were swimming for) until they were hoarse. Parents of non-iCAN children commented on the tremendous 'iCAN spirit'. By the end of the meet the cheers for iCAN were reverberating around the poolside and the iCAN swimmers became very familiar with the podium!

We have been invited to two additional swim meets later this year, the next at I.S.P.P. in February and back to C.C.C. again in April.

If any of you would like to come and support our swimmers at these meets, please check the Parent noticeboard in the canteen, where information will again be posted when we receive it.



Look at how many top three positions our swimmers had in the 40 races we entered:

1st: 17 2nd: 35 3rd: 18 We can't wait until February!



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Car Park Update

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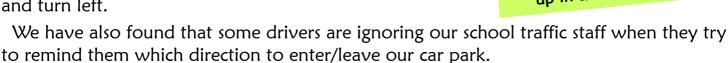
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Dear Parents / Drivers

We are very pleased to say thank you to all parents/ drivers who are following our new car park system (One – way direction).

However, some cars are still entering / leaving by turning across the flow of traffic, this means that cars should not turn left into our car park and should not leave our car park and turn left.



To maintain traffic flow and avoid congestion we want all cars to follow our one - way direction.

Please remember that parents should not drop off children on their way into our car park before they have parked in a marked space.

Please try and prepare your child's bag and shoes prior to dropping them off.

We hope that parents/drivers will understand and cooperate with our efforts to improve our iCAN school car park.

Thank you

We can make it work if we all play our part. Let's not end up in traffic gridlock!

Sophak School Coordinator

Angkor Wat half marathon



You can do it **Mr Andy!**

About half of the iCAN team ... the others were still eating breakfast!

GO iCAN!





...and they are off

Last weekend 42 members of our iCAN team headed off to Siem Reap to participate in the 21km, 10km and 5km races.

Come on, **Mr Matt!**



Can you spot any familiar faces?

The next sporting event we are going to begin training for is the **Mekong River** Swim. This event usually takes place during the first weekend in April.



Some serious stretching!

What is that man wearing?

The Rubbish Project



Leang Seckon (pictured below) was one of the founders of this project. This plastic and bamboo NAGA was one of his sculptures which was exhibited in Siem Reap to mark **World Water Day.**

Isn't it amazing?



Seckon and Fleur both joined us in School during our Creative Arts Week. Did you see the pictures of the recycled clothes we all made?



The NAGA (pictured above) was 225 metres long and took 8 days to construct. The team used 300,000 staples, 100,000 pieces of handcut plastic, 150kg of recycled plastic and much, much more ... WOW!



Seckon and Fleur from the Rubbish Project



Another Rubbish Project event which took place last year in Phnom Penh, involved making lampshades and fashion.

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Weekend Club news

Please note that the School site will be closed between 12th December and Monday 5th January 2009 for renovations and maintenance. Weekend Club restarts on Saturday 10th January 2009.

Birthdays



If you wish to bring a cake to school, so that your child can celebrate their birthday with their friends, that is fine as long as you check with your child's class teacher first. They can let you know the appropriate time.

Cakes should only be brought in for snack time in the morning (EYFS & KS1 at 9.30am and KS2 at 10am) and parents should provide disposable plates and spoons.

Please do not bring in any other food, drink or party gifts.

Phnom Penh Players Panto Aladdin under the sea

The annual Panto will take place on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th December here at iCAN.

Mr. Andy, Ms. Rachael, Ms. Nour and Ms. Steph are helping with the music and dance and Year 7's, Sarah and Jessie, Year 5's Mai and Year 1's Arno will all be performing on stage.

> It will be fun! Oh yes it will! Oh no it won't!

We can't quite believe we managed to pack so much into **Teaching Block 3** ... considering it was only 4 weeks long! Enjoy a well deserved and relaxing holiday. See you in **2009**!

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Where Elephants Weep

Our Year 7 children attended the dress rehearsal of the first Khmer Rock Opera at the Chenla theatre. The children looked so smart dressed up in their best clothes and we had seats close to



the front. It was an incredible performance. We are hoping that the composer and of the some musicians will visit iCAN in January to to speak the children about the experience.