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**February 2013**

**Our 10th anniversary year!**

Dear iCAN families,

Where has learning Block 4 gone? We have had another wonderful learning block which culminated in Book Week. What fun we have had, weren't the costumes amazing today?

The Y5, Y6 and Y7 children have all been off on their residential trips, an essential part of their learning. Enjoy finding out all about their adventures in Kep, Kampot, Battambang, Siem Reap and Koh Chang in Thailand. The Y3 and Y4 children had such fun at their sleepovers which help to prepare them to become more independent and get ready for the longer residential visit from Y5 onwards.

David and I have been continuing the recruitment process we began in November and have been interviewing teachers both overseas and in Phnom Penh to join the iCAN team in August 2013. We will share news about the iCAN team for next year in LB6.

We were pleased to be able to host the launch of the International Child Protection Certificate (ICPC) this week at iCAN. This should make it easier for organisations and schools around the world to ensure that they are safeguarding the children and young people in their care by employing people who have been cleared as suitable to work with children by the police in the UK.

Following on from the success of the International Primary Curriculum (IPC) in improving children's learning at iCAN we are introducing the International Middle Years Curriculum (IMYC) to support learning in KS3. We have staff travelling to the IPC/IMYC Summer School in Singapore and are also hosting training here at iCAN in March.

I hope that you all enjoy the February break and look forward to seeing you ready for learning in March.

Ms. Lori

see pages 11-15 for more about our iCAN **Book Week**



## DIARY DATE REMINDERS

### March

- 6th** World Math Day
- 9th** Amazing Tuk-tuk Race
- 11th** Parent & Carers drop-in session
- 15th** 3D class assembly
- 16th** Inter-school swim meet at NISC
- 17th-23rd** Y8&9 Green Camp, Bali
- 31st** Annual Mekong River Swim

### April

- 4th-5th** Alice in Wonderland production
- 11th** International Day
- 12th** Khmer New Year assembly
- 12th** End of LB5

### Parent & Carers drop-in

There is 1 of these drop-in sessions on the School calendar for the 2012-13 academic year. It is on

**Monday 11th March 2013**

As you can see, this final one is just after the February break. On this day you will be able to explore your child's classroom, guided by your child. Their teacher will be available to answer any questions you may have about their learning journey.

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# iCAN PLAY Ahoy, Pirates!



We've been enjoying lots of pirate activities at iCAN PLAY this learning block!



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# Annual Mekong River Swim

**Are you ready to brave the mighty Mekong ... again???**

**The Swim will take place on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March.**

**Please sign up with Roseta in our iCAN office ... places are issued on a first come, first served basis. The registration form with all information can be requested from [mekongriverswim@ican.edu.kh](mailto:mekongriverswim@ican.edu.kh).**

**Check out our blogsite for further updates ... [www.mekongriverswim.blogspot.com](http://www.mekongriverswim.blogspot.com)**

**If you would like to volunteer as well as (or instead of) participating, then please let us know too.**

**THE SWIM TEAM**

## Early Years Hop, hop, hopping!



Reception learnt about the lifecycle of a frog ... and then hopped all the way to iCAN PLAY!



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# Reception **Shop, shop, shop!**



As part of our learning about plants we decided to make vegetable soup. The children used their phonic knowledge to write their own shopping list. Then we all went off to Lucky supermarket where we took our lists and found the vegetables we needed.



The children loved this experience as they were learning to write for a specific purpose. The next day we all got busy washing and cutting up the vegetables. The children have learned to use tools and equipment safely and have learned about the importance of eating healthily.

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# **EYFS Visit to Lucky supermarket**



Finally the soup tasted delicious and most children had seconds!



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# Milepost 1 **Vego visit**



MP1 had a great trip to Vego. We were able to look around the restaurant and see how the food was set up and prepared.



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# Y1 & Y2 We are what we eat!



We thought about all the different people who work in a restaurant. Then we went into our own room where we had lots of different foods prepared for us. We then got to create our own wraps using these ingredients – they tasted DELICIOUS!!



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# Milepost 2 Sleepovers



In preparation for their residential visits in Milepost 3, Years 3 & 4 enjoy sleepovers at school. They have to work in teams to set up their tents .



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# Y3 & Y4 Learning through ... sleep?



As you can see everyone had lots of fun sleeping over at school. Setting up our tents was tricky at times and really tiring ... which is why so many of us slept so deeply! Then in the morning we enjoyed Wake Up & Shake Up!



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# Milepost 3 Myths & Legends



Milepost 3 were on a quest to find the Golden Egg so the city of Icandera would not die out. They had to overcome monsters, answer riddles, find bronze keys hidden at the bottom of the ocean and much more!!  
Years 5 & 6 also learnt about the formation of mountains by experimenting with different materials.



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# Book Week **Illustrators visit iCAN**



MP1 and MP2 have had an author and illustrator in to visit this week.

They read the children their story and then worked with the children to create their own illustrations.

The children produced amazing illustrations!



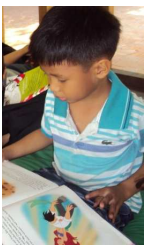
We all learnt so much from the illustrators this week!



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# Book Week Reading buddies



We had lots of fun reading at iCAN PLAY. We all took our favourite book with us and shared it with the children there – we even got to have a play with their amazing toys!!



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# Book Week Reading everywhere!



MP1 had a great time at Bedtime Stories. They listened to their teachers and parents read some wonderful books. We then all joined in the hall for milk and cookies and to watch 'Tinga Tinga Tales' some great stories from Africa which was in our Book Week Theme of Stories from Around the World.



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# Book Week Cruella visits iCAN



Unfortunately for iCAN, Cruella De Vil and her dastardly henchman, Jasper, spent the day in school on Friday. They were searching for more puppies to make Cruella another coat ... how CRUEL!!! Luckily for us there were many Mr. Men and Little Miss' to brighten up our day!



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# Book Week Mr. Men & Little Miss'



How many different Mr. Men and Little Miss' can you spot??

At our last count there were over 30 of them in school all day!



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# Cycling adventures **KS2**



KS2 cycled with their classmates at the start of LB4



Who won our iCAN Sports Day?  
You can find out on the next page ...



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# Sports Day Teamwork



1st **YELLOW**  
2nd Green  
3rd Blue 4th Red



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# Y5 Kampot & Kep



We learnt how to control the sailing boat, stopping, going right and left and fast and slow. We also learnt to use the kayaks. When we arrived at Kampot we met 5S – we had so much fun playing together. The BBQ was really delicious. **Seung Young**

I went to Funky Junk and made bracelets. I learned that we have to be responsible for all of our things. The sailing was also fun, especially jumping into the sea with our lifejackets on. **Faakhira**



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# Y5 **Kampot & Kep**



I like staying here. We had a good day. My favourite thing was playing games with Mr. Labhras and my friends just before we went to bed.

**Meng Cheang**

I enjoyed playing in the surf at the sea and swimming in the pool at Veranda with my friends. Right now I'm enjoying playing hide and seek on our balcony with my friends ... got to go hide now!

**Sophia**

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# Y5 **Kampot & Kep**



My most enjoyable part of today was learning how to sail. It was quite fun because I got to swim in the sea with my lifejacket on – it wasn't very deep. I hope tomorrow will be not a scary day (as we're going on a night walk in the forest). **Kim Ton**

Today I went to Funky Junk and learned how to make bracelets out of plastic bags and it was a bit tricky for me. The thing I enjoyed the most today was kayaking and sailing. I also enjoyed the barbecue for dinner tonight with 5S. **Ho Ka**

My favourite thing was going to the beach, playing in the water and getting Mr. Labhras wet. Also going swimming at the pool and playing with everyone was really fun. Right now we're playing lots of games before we go to bed – back to play more games now! **Emily**

I enjoyed my sailing and kayaking this morning. I really liked it in Kep. Now I'm staying in Kampot. I'm staying in a bungalow. **Xinaro**



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# Y5 **Kampot & Kep**



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# Y6 Siem Reap & Battambang



I enjoyed eating and holding spiders. I also enjoyed going around the night market and tasting and eating different types of food. **Hanns**



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# Y6 Siem Reap & Battambang



I had an awesome day today because I went to find out about all the foods in Battambang. I found out about sticky bamboo rice and fish. It was really stinky. I found out that people only get paid 1 dollar for for 100 rice papers which isn't very much. Then we went on the bamboo train which was really fast and really bumpy! **Sun Woo**



I liked it how we rode on a boat through the village and we went to the temple called Beng Melea and we did an adventure game on and in the temple. **Machim**



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# Y6 Siem Reap & Battambang



My favourite part of the day was the circus training and I liked rolling and jumping. We had the best instructor. I didn't like the break dancing because it was hard. All in all it was brilliant.  
**Lehkena**

I had a lot of fun in art and the challenge was to stick paper on our partner and our partner had to move and walk around and we had to paint on the backs of our partner.  
**Sophany**



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# Y6 Siem Reap & Battambang



Idag har vi sov på det nya hotellet! Det fanns inga sängar (bara plats för en person) men rummet var mycket större. Då vi anlände till cirkusskola där vi lärt oss att måla, dans och massor av andra saker! **David**



Oh my! today was so tiring! I woke up and we went straight away to a circus but we did not play in it – we learnt in it. First we wrapped our friend in paper and painted on them while they were running away from us ...



... and doing random stuff. It was really frustrating. After that we watched another friend move while we were painting their movements in different ways. I watched my friend move and drew shapes that represented her actions. **Roseanne**

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# **Y7 Koh Chang, Thailand**



At the start of the day, we went trekking. We started going up a steep slope and everyone thought it was exhausting! We went further into the forest and the paths got more slippery and smaller.

As you look further, the peaceful waterfall awaits for us. We charged off into the amazing waterfall.



After the long trekking we finally realised it was worth it! We saw the sparkling, glistening water with rocks surrounding the area.



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# Y7 Koh Chang, Thailand



The thick and hairy skinned elephants lay calmly in the steam, while we splashed its body with glistening water. The boys had their fun when throwing grassy elephant poo at the girls. The elephant poo fight was extremely awesome!

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# **Y7 Koh Chang, Thailand**



The Tree Top adventure was very dangerous for me but I got used to it, it was incredibly fun! I conquered my fear of heights and now I am not afraid!  
**Watey**



I was a bit nervous, but looking at the towering trees, inhaling the smell of nature made me calm down. The most exciting bit was zip-lining down the long and steep cables. I was scared when I had to go on the bike.  
**Serinya**



Clinging on as tight as I could the adrenaline built up as sweat trickled down my face. I eventually had to overcome the fear of heights. As the reliable harness hugged my body, I still didn't dare to let go.  
**Rith**



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# Y7 Koh Chang, Thailand



**Nick:** My favourite part of the trip was the high ropes adventure course where I conquered my fear of uncertainty during the long zip line. When I dragged myself to the finish of it was an achievement.



**Jamie:** My favourite part of the week was when I had to face one of my fears, which was at the tree top adventures. It was awesome. It was like it completed part of a puzzle. This was the best trip ever.

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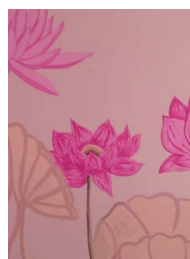
# Year 8 Fundraising

Students from Year 8 held a bake sale on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February to raise awareness and money for Phnom Tamao Wildlife Centre. It was a huge success and we're extremely proud of the hard work and dedication shown by the Year 8 students. Nick Marx director of Wildlife Alliance visited us to personally thank the children and give them certificates for their hard work, commitment and generous support in fundraising to help care for rescued wildlife at Phnom Tamao Wildlife Centre.

*"When I visited Phnom Tamao I was inspired by the people who were there working with the animals. This made me want to get involved and do something to help raise awareness for the rescue centre"* **Sinah**



## In memory Stephanie's wall



Some of our Y9 learners have created a wall in memory of **Stephanie Suy**.

The wall (located next to our playground) will be known as 'Stephanie's wall'.

Stephanie loved flowers and pink was her favourite colour. This was what inspired our Y9 artists to create a truly beautiful space in which we can all remember Stephanie and the smiles she brought to iCAN.



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# **iCAN's Amazing Tuk-tuk Race**

**The 2013 iCAN  
AMAZING  
RACE**

**Date: Saturday 9th March 2013**

**Time: 8:30am**

**Entry fee: \$10 per team**

**Entry forms are available from our iCAN School Office. Please return completed forms and entry fee to Ms. Roseta and you are ready to go!!**

The 2013 Amazing Tuk-tuk Race is coming soon! Team places on this adventurous challenge are limited and will be issued on a first come, first served basis. Please contact Ms. Roseta in our school office to register your team and be in with a chance of winning the ultimate accolade ... 'Amazing Tuk-tuk Race Champions 2013'!

## **Fencing International medal won**



**Congratulations to Mehta in Y5 who fenced in an international competition in Brunei, winning bronze!**

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# After School Activities



This time round our after school activities programme has provided students with a wide range of options to become involved in. From sports clubs to music and language lessons and even creative classes, there is something of interest for everyone. Being offered for the first time, Yoga has proven to be very popular, and of course cooking is always a favourite.

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# Northbridge Athletics Meet



Members of KS2 headed up to NISC on 8th February to join the inter-school athletics meet with ISPP, LOGOS, HOPE, CIA and NISC.



# LOGOS Inter-school Swim Meet



iCAN joined the second inter-school swim meet of this school year at LOGOS on Saturday 9th February. Each school had been training hard since the last time we met in December, and after an exhilarating events schedule, iCAN came away with 2 winners shields, winning the 8&9 and 10&11 age groups and coming a commendable 2nd in the 12&13 age group!

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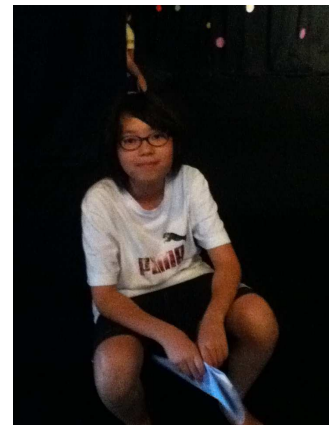


# Coming soon... **Alice in Wonderland**



The much anticipated KS2 production of 'Alice in Wonderland' is coming soon.

The auditions were held at the end of LB3 and rehearsals have been taking place throughout LB4. Each class is practising the songs for their scenes and the main characters have been joining additional rehearsals during lunch times and after school. Over the coming weeks we'll also be working on the set design.



The dates of the shows will be mailed out to iCAN families, during LB5. We're also having a new light and sound system installed in our school hall which should be ready just in time for the show!



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# Thank you! Give A Gift Appeal



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Check future issues of our iCAN Times for yet more photos highlighting children's learning.

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We have also introduced 8 personal goals to iCAN, which we will be encouraging and celebrating each month throughout the year. Our **8 personal goals** are:

<b>Adaptability</b>	<b>Communication</b>
<b>Cooperation</b>	<b>Enquiry</b>
<b>Morality</b>	<b>Resilience</b>
<b>Respect</b>	<b>Thoughtfulness</b>

# iSPACE

Remember to check out this amazing resource. It will provide hours of fun learning, for your child (and you!)

You can access it by going to the school website, [www.ican.edu.kh](http://www.ican.edu.kh) and then clicking

## iSPACE

### ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

If your child is unable to attend school due to sickness or another reason please ring the office in the morning and inform Ms. Roseta on **023 222 416**

Many children miss a significant amount of time from school which has an impact on their learning. We understand that there are times when this is unavoidable but it is important that we are informed prior to the child being absent. We would recommend that if you wish to take your child out of school during school time for a particular event or a holiday you pop in and see Ms. Lori in the office first. If this is not possible please write a letter to Ms. Lori.

### NEXT ISSUE ...

- **World Math Day**
- **Fundraising challenge**
- **Y8&9 in Bali**
- **iCAN's Amazing Tuk-tuk Race**
- **Inter-school Swim Meet at NISC**
- **Annual Mekong River Swim**
- **Alice in Wonderland production**

... and so much more great learning!

### MEKONG RIVER SWIM

**Sunday 31st March 2013**

Keep the last Sunday in March free in your diaries ... as the annual Mekong River Swim organised by iCAN will be taking place. **You can register with Ms. Roseta**

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