



A Note From the Head Principal

Dear Parents and Students,

It seems impossible but the third quarter is ending. This week students had been very busy studying and taking their exams. By the end of the month you will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress with teachers during the Parent-Teacher Conferences.



There is not much school time left so parents and school need to put a big emphasis in student's learning. Please remind your children that they need to make the big final effort to succeed academically this school year.

Remember no school on March 23th in celebrating the Full Moon of Tabaung.

Please never hesitate to contact me if needed, or just come by my office to say, "Hello." And, as always, here at MIS, **We Are Student Centered.**

Kind Regards,

Anna Prieto

Upcoming events:

March 14	Pi Day - Maths appreciation festival
March 18	Inter-house Basketball mini tournament
March 18	End of Quarter 3
*March 23	Full Moon of Tabaung (no school)
March 24-25	Parent-Teacher conferences
March 25	Shakespeare Day
April 8	Water Festival celebration at MIS

* please note the change from March 22

142 Backpacks - helping the children of Kala Su

by Kate Dixon and Pam Campbell

There is a very poor community of people living in a village called Kala Su, located near the town of Dala, across the Yangon River from downtown Yangon.

Kala Su is home to 142 children aged 5 to 16. Very few of these children go to school as their parents are too poor to afford uniforms, school supplies and other things students need in order to attend free government schools in Myanmar. ESL teacher Ms. Pam and I met some of the “kids of Kala Su” during a bike tour in late January.

Impressed with their friendliness and big smiles, but saddened by the tiny shacks they lived in and by the fact most were too poor to go to school, we decided to help. So we reached out to the MIS community asking for school supplies, sports equipment and gently used clothes.

We have been overwhelmed by the generosity of the primary students and their families! They donated hundreds of pens, pencils, sharpeners, erasers, rulers and many sets of colored pencils and pencil boxes.

In addition we received clothes, toys, and backpacks. Mr. Joey secured the donation of 100 additional backpacks plus 45 pencil cases. With funds raised by the Primary Student Council and by the Swedish and Bangladesh/Nepal/Sri Lanka booths during International Day we also bought jump ropes, balls, plastic pockets to hold school supplies, and more backpacks.

We are delighted to announce that we will deliver 142 very well stuffed back packs to the kids of Kala Su Village on Saturday, March 12.

On behalf of the children of Kala Su village we send the entire primary community a huge THANK YOU!



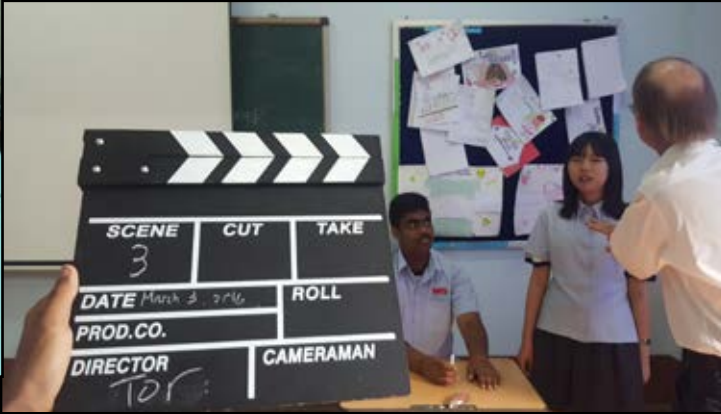
community participation

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HOLLYWOOD

by Harris Gruson, MS English Teacher

The year nine classes are going to Hollywood. That's right, these young writers, directors and actors are coming up with great film ideas and trying to "pitch" their ideas to movie-studio big shots in the hope of getting their movies "green-lighted" by the studio. Their success in "Tinseltown" has been extraordinary. Out of fifty movie ideas, a whopping nine have been chosen and are currently being developed for production. Writers are busy creating structured plots and turning these plots into dialogue. Directors are busy casting, trying to find the right actor for their movie. While still busy writing dialogue, soon the young artists will rehearse and shoot the films. Their creativity and originality is a wonder to behold. The movie posters are on the walls and everyone is waiting with baited breath for the final product. Though all this action is taking place at MIS in Yangon, the year nine students are now sure that Hollywood isn't so far away.



Important reminders:

- The Primary Quarter 3 reports will be sent home on the March 21, Monday. The Secondary reports will be given at the Parent-Teacher Conferences on the 24th and 25th of March (Thursday and Friday). Please make every effort to visit these conferences as they present an excellent opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the teachers.
- A gentle reminder that the Secondary school day ends at 3:45pm. Please arrange to pick up your child no later than 4pm. After 4pm there are no teachers or office staff at school to supervise the students, with the exception of clubs and sports activities. We appreciate your help with this.
- Please check (and like) the official MIS Facebook page. This page is designed to keep you informed of the school life events as they happen. www.facebook.com/myanmarinternationalschool/
- Please keep your e-mail address and phone numbers up to date and inform the office in case of any changes. This is important as we are working toward closer communication between the school, students and the parents.