Zero Waste Campaign @ STIC

With the increasing environmental issues on garbage management around the world, a group of concerned STICians initiated the “Zero Waste Campaign @ STIC”. It intends to gradually reduce these problems around the campus until all STICians are fully aware of the beauty and safety of spending time in an unpolluted environment.

Business English class conducted poster-making activity to highlight this campaign. These noteworthy print advertisements are placed on the bulletin board on the first floor. Education English students uploaded short video clips on their social media to influence their fellow STICians to give some extra care to their second home. Also, lecturers did their part by making sure that their students won’t leave any trash under their chairs and around the classroom after their talks.

The STIC’s environmentalists hope that this campaign would be supported and be given much attention. They firmly believe that little by little, this campaign would be a great success, as they voice out “We Want to Study in a Classroom Not in a TRASH Room.” Inch by inch and it’s a cinch. Yard by yard and it’s too hard!

(Chonlada Khumjui, Education English Y3)

STIC students had their midterm examinations on July 22-26. Most students felt pressured days before the exam week because they wanted to get impressive scores. Other students thought they are well prepared and ready to face all the exam challenges.

Having the chance to talk to some students, I learned that there are different examination preparations that would fit the learning style of every student. Some of them watch grammar videos on YouTube, others read their books and notes during review. Some make a small study group to help those who are under performing, while a few of them do a chapter/unit lesson review every time the class finished.

Whatever examination preparations you practice and adapt to, the determination to succeed and hard work will lead you to your ultimate goals. I hope that my fellow STICians would continuously make their parents proud. Good luck on our final examination in September.

(Chutipa Kreangkraisonka, Education English Y3)
The students majoring Air Traffic Control had their annual pinning ceremony on July 3. It was graced by our beloved Madam Dr. Theresa V. Phromsuntron, Rector Dr. Piyada Wattanasan and BBA Dean Aj. Prachuab Trinikorn. Also, all the supportive ATC lecturers were very proud looking at their trainees receiving their emblematic pins which signify their being true-blooded STIC’s ATC students.

In return to the lecturers’ guidance, the ATC students expressed their appreciation through the “Boom Boom Chants”. This ceremony wouldn’t be complete if there was no “Cheese Capturing”. Flashes, smiles and poses surrounded the venue immediately after the closing ceremony. It was indeed a moment of pride and appreciation.

(Preedaporn Ponllakorn, Education English Y3)

The IB and LG majoring students spent their Saturday (July 6) acquiring a lot of knowledge and enjoying some fun times with their co-majors in their Moral and Ethics Camp. To fulfill the theme “Development of Students’ Potential and Promotion of 21st Century Learning Skills, the program head, Ajarn Emma Ganuelas invited some of her major’s successful graduates: Miss Wasana Leechanon, Miss Phennapha Roopkhao and Mr. Nuttapong Soonprahat to share their experiences and their views on how to be skillful and successful.

At the end of the day, the participants enjoyed each activity facilitated by the major’s seniors. In addition, all of them gained helpful information that they could use as they enter into the world of employment in the coming years.

(Kamonchanok Chanthana, Education English Y3)

Our institution has a vision to produce not only well-rounded graduates but also well-equipped finishers. With knowledge and English skills, our students are well prepared for the demands of future employment.

(Chutipa Kreangrainaka, Education English Y3)

St. Theresa International College students had a TOEIC Practice Test on Thursday and Friday, July 25 and 26. The practice test was scheduled on the midterm exam week which aimed to improve the students’ English proficiency. It also prepares them (year 1 to year 4) for successful employment in the future. Some students prepared themselves by reading five to ten words a day. Also, they do twice a month practice exam during their advisory hour and review grammar lessons from various English applications and links.
The Faculty of Nursing Science conducted its “Rub Nong Ceremony” to intimately build a strong bond with the freshmen. The faculty lecturers were also there to witness how their young learners facilitate such a welcoming activity. The activity started with the parade of Phan Bai Si Kwan and followed by the Bai Si Ceremonial Dance. As a highlight of the activity, each one of them received the symbolic year one nursing pin and a name badge while the practical nursing students received a brooch.

After such, there were fun activities that every participant enjoyed taking part in and positive attitudes were enhanced as they completed each task. To sum it up, the event was a great success.

On July 12, the gorgeous and debonair AB Year 2 students in their gala uniforms had their educational trip at Suvarnabhumi Airport.

They did some observation, listened to some of the airport’s personnel’s lectures on hospitality management, watched some videos about the history of the airport which was ranked by the International Passenger Traffic of the World in 2018 as the 9th busiest airport.

Our students gained a lot of knowledge from this educational trip. They were able to feel and become more familiar with the real airport atmosphere and scenarios. It was a day filled with excitement, glamour, fun and learning.

Social Media, Internet and Technology are constantly bombarding the world. If you are not familiar or you know nothing about them, then you are considered ‘Stone Age peeps’.

My class (Education English Year 3) with the subject Mass Media in English under Ajarn Leo Anthony Flores’ supervision was lucky enough to acquire some skills needed to comply with the requirements of the said subject. My Ajarn invited one of the Information Technology’s staff to teach us how to be a good ‘techie’.

Ajarn Jumroon Deeseng (P’ Tee) introduced how GOOGLE and its programs can be used in many ways. It includes recording teaching and learning, computer screen recording, Microsoft Publishers for booklet, STIC On Point/STIC Chic’s making, virtual dj application and other helpful applications. This more than an hour lecture has brought us a lot of useful knowledge and advantageous skills that we could use in some of our subjects and of course, in our future job as educators.
His Majesty King Maha Vajiralongkorn Bodindradebayavarangkun celebrated his 67th birthday with the whole Thai nation on July 28. Government offices and private sectors organized religious and festive celebrations to honor the Father of Thailand.

St. Theresa International College family offered their warm birthday greetings and wishes to King Rama X on July 26. During lunch time, the lobby was filled with administrators, lecturers and staff in their yellow outfits together with the students who enthusiastically participated in the birthday ceremony.

The Students Association’s representatives, the College President Dr. Piyada Wattanasan and the Vice-chairman of the College Council Madam Dr. Theresa V. Phromsuntron offered the symbolic flower trays to His Majesty. The attendees sang warmly the songs dedicated to King Rama X.

The ceremony ended with the signing of birthday greetings to His Majesty from all the attendees.

(Kamonchanok Chanthana, Education English Y3)
On Thursday, July 18, St. Theresa International College celebrated the president’s, Dr. Piyada Wattanasan’s birthday party at the Joseph-Mary Building. Guests also included the Vice-chairman of the College Council, Madam Dr. Theresa V. Phromsuntron. All the members of STIC family were there to express their messages of appreciation and birthday greetings to their beloved rector. Precious presents were also offered to her as symbols of love to the birthday girl.

The day became much more special when her dear mother, Madam Dr. Theresa V. Phromsuntron voiced out her message of love to her only daughter. And in return, the 47 year old daughter delivered her message of thanks to her family and to the whole STIC community.

It was a moment of fun, laughter and compassion with acknowledgment shared by each member of the STIC family.
Buddhist Lent Day

The Asanha Puja Day is one of the most sacred days in Buddhism, as it marks the coming into existence of the Triple Gems; namely the Lord Buddha, his Teachings and his Disciples. The day falls on the fifteenth day of the waxing moon, in the eighth lunar month (July). Buddhists all over the country perform merit-making and observe Silas (Precepts). Some go to the temples to offer food to the monks and listen to a sermon to purify their mind. Buddhist Lent Day in Thailand is the day after Asanha Bucha marking the beginning of the three-month period where monks stay in their temples with no traveling.

During lent, there is a Candle Festival where amazingly designed candles are paraded on the street for the spectators’ visual satisfaction.

Talking about the Candle Festival in Buddhist Lent, Ubon Ratchathani Province has the largest and widest celebration. People around the nation and from other countries take time to witness this annual event. Most of them usually leave the parade venue with amazement.

Thai and Lao people call this period of time as “Wan Khao Phansa”. In Vietnam, its name is “Phat Dan”. Cambodians’ term for it is “Chorl Vorsa” and finally, the Myanmar nationals address it as “War-Twin”.

(Praweenut Chinphakdithanasin and Piyatida Aupadit, Education English Y3)
On July 16-17, 2019 at the Blue Wave Hotel, Hua-Hin, the St. Theresa International College’s Faculty of Business Administration conducted a project with the objective of developing balance and good relationships among personnel for successful performance. There were 20 lecturers from 7 different programs who collaborated to make this activity a great success.

The project obtained an overall average mean of 4.58 or very highly satisfactory. The items such as “the activity trained me to become more participative, vigilant, interactive and responsible as a team member” ranked number 1 followed by “I like to join more often this kind of activity to get updates on educational/business trends”.

On the first day of the seminar camp, Dean Aj. Prachuab Trinakon shared his thoughts on education and business management issues plus future trends. Later that day, team building activities were facilitated by the assigned lecturers from each department. Aj. Siriporn also taught us “Tai Chi”, a form of exercise that’s now used for stress reduction and a prevention to a variety of other health conditions. Also, it enhances our vision, focus and balance on what we are doing.

Day 2 was filled with trips around the province. The team was given privilege to experience Historical Thai Culture and lucky enough, to visit the “Rajabhakti Park”. Lastly, the team paid tribute to “Wat Huay Mongkol”. This famous Monk was claimed to be wiggled by a serpent during his younger years. The monk did not die, however, the serpent drew up a crystal ball which symbolizes good luck; that belief made him famous.

The project’s objectives were all achieved and made the team more motivated in their pursuit of quality education equipped with moral and ethical behavior. Academic advancement and competitive teaching strategies in the achievement of the faculty’s vision were also met.

Comments such as “good project management”, “more of this activity in the future”, “very informative”, “it strengthens our relationship and learns more from our pitfalls” and “very well organized” encourage the project coordinator to continue this activity in the future.

All the participants received a “Certificate of Recognition” for their involvement. The activity ended up with good and wonderful experiences worth-remembering.

(Dr. Alfredo Espejo, Head of the BBA Students Affairs)
International Dance Club (IDC) headed by Danuporn “P’ Boat” Janwan (Business English Y3) has been continuously welcoming new members. More and more STICians are getting interested to spend their quality time rehearsing dance routines with us.

The club’s objectives have gradually been achieved: living a healthy lifestyle, building confidence, promoting kinship and bringing out the best in every member.

Different dance genres have also gained attention, such as hip-hop, contemporary, KPOP, and many more.

You will see the IDC members perform in different college activities. Also, they are seen outside the college as guest performers. You can know more about our club by following us on our YouTube Channel - "BSN.77.2018."

LISAOF
BLACKPINK,
THAILAND’S PRIDE

Lalisa Manoban was born on March 27, 1997 in Buriram Province, Thailand. Her original name was Pranpriya Manoban. She is an only child to her Thai mother and Swiss step-father. Lisa became interested in K-pop culture since her childhood. She later joined several singing and dancing competitions including “TO BE NUMBER ONE”.

Later in 2010, YG Entertainment opened an audition in Thailand for the first time. From four thousand applicants, Lisa is the only lady who passed the said audition. After more than 5 years of training, Lisa is now a member of the very famous girl group “Blackpink”. Also, she is the first foreign artist in YG Entertainment.

Did you know that on April 2019, Lisa became the most followed K-pop idol on Instagram with 17.4 million followers? With all her recognitions and achievements, Lisa is bringing so much pride to Thailand.

(Mattana Dasanthia, Education English Y3)