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UPDATES FROM THE SCHOOLS



Our kindergarten class at **Kamala School** got to enjoy a special visit from their class sponsor **Anantara Vacation Club Mai Khao Phuket**. The students and staff of Anantara played many team building games with the children such as passing a ball to teammates, moving cloth down the line with no hands, and more! It was all wrapped up with pizza and juice, as well as the surprise gift of a teddy bear each and the renewal of their amazing sponsorship!

This year has seen great improvements in the English programme at the **Anuban Kamala School (AKS)**. Students have been working hard to learn letters of the alphabet, match them to sounds, and build bigger and more complicated words with them! Also, students are now able to count forwards and back! But we are most proud of how confident and independent the students have become with their learning. Many thanks to **MontAzure** for sponsoring the English Programme at the AKS.



This year most of our students have been spectacular, but we always do our best to encourage those who excel! These are some of our students who have been awarded top marks in Math and English in the Primary level 1 English Integrated Studies class at **Kamala School**, sponsored by **The CHAVA Resort - Surin Beach**.



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Learning can be fun! It is all smiles from the students in **Kamala School's** grade 1 class sponsored by **XL Catlin**. Learning to spell is always interesting when you can play word games and do activities to make it enjoyable. We would also like to thank **XL Catlin** for sponsoring a car to help with the children's transportation when needed.



Our fabulous sponsors at **Baan Rim Pa Restaurant Group** have been sponsoring the English Programme at the **Kalim School** since 2006!! The students are all working hard and doing great in their studies! In this photo, they were doing an exercise on colours and clothes.

Kamala School had a special morning Assembly in which our teachers shared a few of the Christmas traditions from their home countries. The students also received some sweet treats donated by **Phuket Condos & Homes**.



At the end of the year, Kamala School had a big meeting with the students' parents to share news and celebrate. There were dance and music performances as well as special dishes prepared by the students! It was a nice day for our teachers to meet their pupils' families and have a good time together. On the right, you can see a picture of Teacher Yulya with her student Joe and his family. Yulya is generously sponsored by **Phuket Condos & Homes**.



UPDATES FROM COCONUT CLUB

This year Coconut Club has done some amazing things, from learning how to swim and skateboard to making adorable arts and crafts! We had many visits from friends of the Foundation who not only donated essential items from our Wish List but also donated their time and skills while helping the students to keep practising their English outside of class.



Birthday Party at Novotel Surin

Our quarterly birthday party for Kamala residential students was successfully celebrated on the 25th of November at the amazing [Novotel Phuket Surin Beach Resort](#)! In addition to Novotel's great staff, food and venue, we would also like to thank [Exotic Voyage](#) and [XL Catlin](#) for the student and volunteers' transportation. Also thanks to [UWC Thailand](#) student volunteers. Thank you all for such a nice and happy day!



The February 2018 Birthday Party was at [Kata Sea Breeze](#)! Read more about it on the next edition!



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We are currently focusing our energy on the next big fundraising event: **Pop Up 4!** Bring your friends and join us for this fantastic evening all in support of children's education!

Reserve your tickets at 076-278-146 or email our volunteer Julia at julia@phukethasbeengoodtous.org



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On the 18th of November, we were proud to have been the charity of choice of the special concert **The Golden Flute** featuring the acclaimed flutist Maxim Robstov. Thanks also to Natalia Bessanova and her students from the Studio "Loving Vincent" for donating pieces of art to auction!



On the 14th of December, we hosted the inaugural **Ocean Emerald Sunset Cruise** to raise money to support our English language programmes. It was a fabulous evening and we were lucky enough to enjoy a wonderful sunset! Thanks to everyone's generosity, we raised enough money to pay for a teacher for the upcoming academic year along with all associated expenses! Our thanks also go out to our 50 lovely VIP guests, to the wonderful food and beverages sponsors, and to the one and only Mr Nigel Plaskett for giving us his boat for the evening and making this event possible!



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Our traditional **Christmas Tree Campaign** went very well thanks to our wonderful supporters who helped us raise over 65,000 baht! The concept was simple: we invited hotels and other commercial establishments to place our poster and wishing tags next to their Christmas trees. The poster invited their guests to write messages to our students in exchange for a donation; the message was then hung on the tree. In total, the campaign had the support of 17 amazing businesses from the island!

At the end of the year, PHBG TU also joined **Taste Bar & Grill Christmas Fair** and **UWC Thailand Fair** to sell our special Thai-themed Holiday cards and delicious cookies kindly made by Dorothy Macpherson!



Emily Varley, a student of the **British International School Phuket**, wanted to do something special for others last Christmas season. After contacting our charity she decided to run a Christmas campaign to collect necessary items from our Wish List! After only 3 weeks, Emily and her friends dropped by our office to bring all the beautifully wrapped donations! Thank you all for such great support, and special thanks to Emily for such an amazing initiative!

You can read more about our work on our **Social Media channels** and **website**! The content goes from school, events and Coconut Club updates to volunteer vacancies, sponsors list, and our Child Protection Policy, for instance. Check it out!

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