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Tuesday 25th November 2025

Message from the Headteacher

This week we share some early staffing news for the next academic year. We will be saying farewell to Mr Lewis and Ms Laura at the end of this academic year. They have truly lived out our I Values and they have shown wonderful dedication to our students and school community. They informed us of their plans earlier this term and we will continue to enjoy working with them until June 2026.

We have already been actively managing the leadership transition for the Head of Secondary position. We have had a lot of interest in the position which was super and we have interviewed a number of excellent candidates. We will be welcoming the shortlisted candidates to visit our school later this week. They will meet members of our student council, visit classrooms and get to learn more about our school. An announcement for the new Head of Secondary will be shared in due course. In the meantime, please join us in expressing our thanks and warmest wishes to Mr Lewis and Ms Laura.



Becky Fox

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Headteacher

Highlights from the week

FOBISIA Games U15 Review

We are incredibly proud of our U15 athletes who represented HHIS at the FOBISIA Games at Pattana Sports Resort last week. As teams arrived from Hong Kong, Saigon, Shanghai, Singapore, Pattaya and Bangkok, the excitement and nervous energy quickly began to build. The first day in the beautiful athletics stadium was unusually cold, but the action soon heated up as the Hawks took flight on the track. Thrilling sprint finishes, powerful throws and impressive jumps led to multiple visits to the FOBISIA podium. In the pool, our swimmers quickly found their rhythm, and the growing team spirit helped push many into medal positions.

That camaraderie carried into football day, where both Hawks teams opened with excellent wins. The boys were unlucky in several close matches but finished strongly with a superb 4–0 victory to claim fourth place. The girls, meanwhile, were unstoppable—winning every

match and conceding only one goal, capped by a dominant 7–0 win to secure the championship. Special mentions go to Matthew, Georgy, Marla and Alisa for earning Player of the Match awards.

On the final day, despite tired legs, both basketball teams performed admirably. The boys defended bravely against tall opposition, while the girls rebounded from an early loss to claim the silver trophy. After a joyful gala dinner—where Marla was named Overall Footballer of the Tournament—the team celebrated at the disco with new friends. For some it was their first competition, for others their last Friendly Games, but for all it was an unforgettable experience.



FOBISIA Art Competition - Hidden Worlds

We had a fantastic array of work for this year's FOBISIA Visual Art competition. The theme was 'Hidden Worlds - Reveal the Unseen' which allowed imaginations to run wild in their visualization of ideas and concepts. Our judging panel consisted of staff and students with our year 13 senior artists Tilly, Annalise, Rio and Selina joining Ms Beccy and Ms Cora to whittle the selection down to a shortlist of 3 to submit for the final competition. They were looking at elements of uniqueness, creativity and expressiveness in their choices. The winners for each key stage are:

- KS3: Varvara Senkina, Kayla Boschung, Sunshine Xia
- KS4: Milin Stokes, Tia Mayr, Jasmine Thompson
- KS5: Diana Sun, Alina Robbins, Katy Uchenova

A huge thank you to all students who submitted their work, and congratulations to those students who will be representing Hua Hin International School in the FOBISIA Visual Art competition, 2025.



Year 5 - Our Community's Water Story

We were very pleased to welcome Victor's dad, Mr. Harald Elisson to Year 5 recently. As the Managing Director at Black Mountain Golf Club, he shared insights into how the club manages and supplies water - not only for the golf course, but also for the surrounding villas and for our school.

His presentation gave the children a clearer understanding of where our local water comes from, how it is stored, and the careful processes involved in treating and distributing it. He also explained the challenges of managing water in a sustainable way, especially during the dry season, linking perfectly to our Big Idea: "Water is a limited resource that people use in different ways."

It was a brilliant opportunity for the students to connect their learning to our local context. We are very grateful to Mr. Elisson for taking the time to support our inquiry and deepen the children's understanding.



Primary Acts of Kindness

In PSHE this term, the children have been exploring the importance of kindness and how small actions can make a big difference. Through discussions, stories and role-play, they have learnt that being kind not only helps others feel valued and supported, but also has a positive impact on their own wellbeing.

The classes talked about how kindness can strengthen friendships, create a happier school environment, and help everyone feel safe and included. The children also shared examples of “random acts of kindness” they could try at school and at home - such as offering help to someone who is struggling, including others in games, or giving a genuine compliment.

Lara, Leo and Jerran, in Year 2, were all caught bee-ing kind, while Kirill, Noah and Miron, in Year 6 managed to complete 100 acts of kindness!



Inspiring Success for All

Our Year 11 Accelerated Maths students have been stepping into the role of teachers this week, leading peer-teaching sessions to help other Year 11 students explore the topic of differentiation.

This initiative has not only strengthened students' mathematical knowledge but has also helped develop a range of valuable skills. By breaking down complex ideas, the peer teachers have honed their problem solving and communication skills. The collaborative atmosphere has created a supportive learning environment where everyone benefits.

Well done to all students involved for embracing the challenge and inspiring success for all!



Road to Give 2025 - Well done to Eva, Bass, Asia, Kim and Fong!

On Sunday morning we had a number of students, teachers and friends of HHIS running at The Road to Give event in Pranburi. This event raises valuable funds for Operation Smile in Thailand: <https://operationsmile.or.th/>. It was great that so many of our school community were involved and supporting this good cause - a big well done to Fong, Asia and Kim who ran the 5km together and finished very happy to receive their medals. We also share congratulations to Bass who finished 1st place for the U19 division in the 5km, and to Eva G who finished 1st place in the U19 category in the 10km event.



The Shoebox Appeal 2025: Deadline Thursday 27th November

Shoebox Appeal - FINAL CALL!!

This week is the final chance to support our school's annual Shoebox Appeal and donate to underprivileged children in support of Jungle Aid. The last day for bringing your shoebox to school is Thursday 27th November...or Monday 1st December at the latest! Please support this wonderful cause to help others. Thank you.



Upcoming events

HHIS Google Calendar

27-28th November - Y10-11 Duke of Edinburgh Practice Journey

28th November: 5.45 - HHIS Choirs at the Marriott

1st December: 2.45-3.30 - Key Stage 2 Winter Concert

3rd December - Secondary Band Showcase Evening

4th December - Business Fair Market - Parents welcome 9am-12pm

4th December: 2.45 - 3.25 - Year 5 End of Unit Celebration of Learning

5th December - The Birthday of the late King Bhumibol. School closed.

HHIS students represent Hua Hin in the upcoming International Dancesport Championship 2025 at Bluport!

This all-day dance championship event will take place on Sunday 30th November starting at 10am.

Entrance for all spectators is free.



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