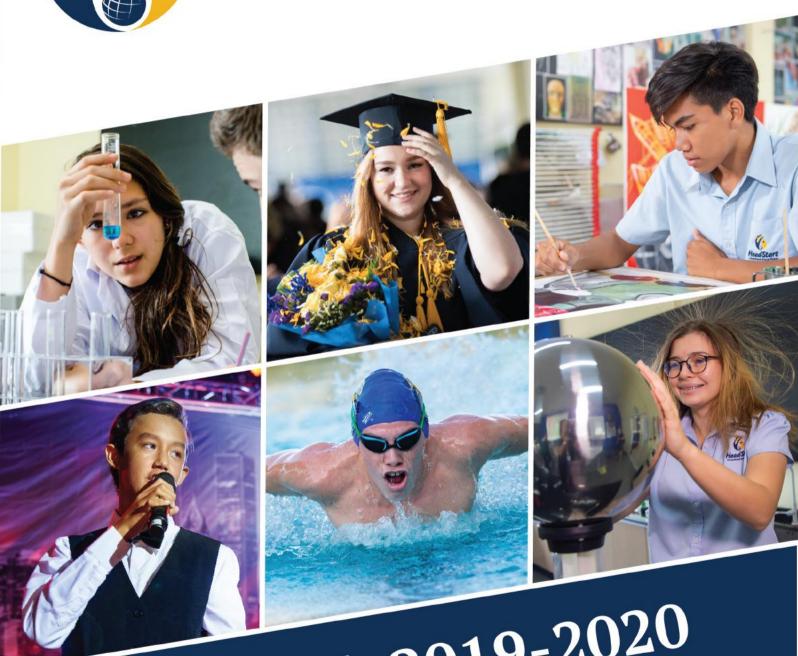


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Yearbook 2019-2020

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# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



## Welcome to Yearbook 2019-2020

We hope you enjoy reviewing all the wonderful memories we made together.



## HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE



The academic year that has now passed will certainly go down as one of the most unique for the HeadStart community. I am not sure we will ever see another year with quite as many challenges as 2020 has presented.

The year began with the usual celebration of our student's achievements, such as the wonderful AS and A Level results our students achieved enabling our graduating students to go to prestigious universities throughout the world. We also saw another group of students joining the hall of fame for achieving 'Top in Thailand' results in their studies.

In November we had the amazing performance of Fame! By our talented students in the CAPA Academy and our Primary students gave us a truly wonderful performance of The Little Mermaid. With Creative and Performing Arts going from strength to strength, the LAMDA academy launched with a much higher uptake than expected and students have been able to take courses in a wide variety of disciplines linked to the arts.

Our sports teams, once again did us proud in the various competitions they entered with both individual and team successes in a number of events. Whilst the Football and Swim teams have been a significant part of the sporting programme for many years, it is worth mentioning our Volleyball squad this year who have very quickly become one of the strongest student teams on the island and the team to beat within the International School scene.

For our students in examination year groups, the majority will have sat mock papers, studied and prepared for examinations they never got to take. Whilst I am sure no student 'enjoys' examinations, many of these students will be sad that the sense of completion of sitting those final exams was taken away from them to some degree.

In spite of this, the grades they will be awarded in light of their studies and efforts throughout their time here at HeadStart are likely to combine to be some of the best the school has ever achieved. Their studies will be rewarded despite the current circumstances, and for those that are now graduating, these will enable them to attend the universities and courses they have been aiming towards for many years.

The rapid development of the situation throughout the world and within Thailand meant we as a community had to adapt quickly to a 'new normal'. I would have never thought when writing my entry for last year's yearbook, that we would have had more than 10 weeks without our students physically in school. It has not been easy for some, and I mean students, parents and teachers in that respect. I am also aware that many families have been through some very rough times over the course of the last few months.

In the words of Albert Einstein "In the middle of difficulty, lies opportunity". Once the most difficult part of this year is over, I hope that we will all be able to look back at the opportunities that may have inadvertently come our way. For some it may have come in the form of reflection, change, a new skill learnt, (I know our teachers now know how to use Google Meet more than they ever did before!) or perhaps just more time spent with family and loved ones. Through the eyes of my two-year-old son, he has been able to spend more time with Daddy than may have otherwise done had the situation been more 'normal'.

Whatever you look back on and whatever the good elements you can reflect on, it is important to remember this year was tricky, it was painful at times, but we did get through it. We are stronger as a result.

As we approach the end of the school year, I wish you all the best of success for the future. I hope you all remain safe and healthy over the holidays, that you get some well-earned rest and relaxation and that all being well, I will see as many of you as possible when we return on 24th August 2020. - Adam Drew, Headmaster

## SCHOOL MANAGEMENT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



Piyanut Hongyok Director



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James Barker Deputy Head of Secondary



James Hornby Deputy Head of Primary



Hannah Brown Deputy Head of Foundation



Nick Carter Director of Sports

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Head of HR

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# **FACULTIES**















## HEAD BOYS AND HEAD GIRLS



# BEING A STUDENT LEADER IS ONE OF THE MOST PRESTIGIOUS ROLES IN THE SCHOOL continue to appreciate what the

As this hectic year comes to an end, it's time to look back on our journey through school. Being at home during these past few months has made us all miss school more than ever and be appreciative of all the memories here at HeadStart. Our small classes always drew us together as a tight knit community and, over the years, this has become what I am most grateful for. As this chapter of our lives comes to an end, I am thankful for all the times in school, both the good and the bad, because these have shaped us into who we are today. I hope someday, sooner or later, we will cross paths again. I wish you all the best of luck.

#### - Vasco DeGraaff Head Boy

Being Head Girl at HeadStart has been such a privilege and I've enjoyed every second of it, although it's hard to believe that I've arrived at the end of my highschool life. This position has taught me so much - from leadership skills to the importance of community which will help me in my future. I hope the students in HeadStart

continue to appreciate what the school has to offer including the awesome lunch, the outstanding education and the incredible sense of community. Lastly, I would like to say a big thank you to Evan, Lucy and the Prefects for being so enthusiastic about their roles in HeadStart's Student Leadership team. I will never forget our many discussions, your resilience when faced with problems and how enjoyable you made my role as Head Girl.

#### - Julianna Mester Head Girl

Coming to HeadStart and Sixth form has been one of the best experiences of my life so far. As Deputy Head Boy, I went through lots of experiences which allowed me to polish my management skills and strengthen my current abilities. There were many things I have done this year that I never thought about doing before, such as organising charity events or

running meetings with student leaders. This wasn't an easy challenge, but it was really rewarding to hear the various ideas and get feedback to further improve our learning environment for the whole HeadStart community.

#### - Evan Lee Deputy Head Boy

When I applied for the role as Deputy Head Girl, I wrote that I wanted to "play an essential role in keeping all of Headstart's students in a positive, safe and nurturing environment where individuals would want to come to school and learn." I believe that with our team of motivated student leaders, we were able to achieve this through teamwork and dedication. I particularly enjoyed planning events such as the Halloween Disco, candy cane grams and the Valentine rose selling. I'm thrilled to be Head Girl next year and can't wait to continue making a contribution to the school.

- Lucy Mester Deputy Head Girl

HEAD BOY VASCO DEGRAAFF
HEAD GIRL JULIANNA MESTER
DEPUTY HEAD BOY EVAN LEE
DEPUTY HEAD GIRL LUCY MESTER

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP



The Secondary Student Leadership has continued to grow from strength to strength during the course of this academic year. They have continued to build upon the ideas and successes of previous years whilst marking it with their own successes despite what has been a very challenging year. The School Prefects have continued to take ownership across the school from leading events such as the Secondary Halloween Party in term 1, working with BTEC students to run and coordinate a highly successful event. Events such as this provide students opportunities to plan, organise and collaborate and continue to deliver excellent events for the Secondary School. The School Prefects have continued to support the everyday running of the school, from being on hand in the Cafe at break times whilst also supporting students with their bags on Monday morning at flag raising; it is these small tasks that support the smooth running of the school. - James Barker, Deputy Head of Secondary



#### Gemma, Senior Prefect

I have had such an amazing time being a Prefect this year! I have truly enjoyed helping with all the different events. From selling candy canes to painting encouraging words on pebbles. I loved it all! My favourite event had to be the Halloween Disco; it was so much fun helping on all the game stations. Along with all the enjoyment, I

have learnt some very important skills that I will continue to use throughout my life.



#### Jeremie, Senior Prefect

Being a Senior Prefect at HeadStart has been such a privilege. I had the opportunity to help students, teachers and others in the school organising different events, including Well-being Day and the Halloween Disco. Helping people has always been something I've loved doing, and being a Senior Prefect has allowed me to do which Lam so thankful. This experience has really helped me develop

more of that of which I am so thankful. This experience has really helped me develop my range of point of view, listening to new ideas and other people's creativity, which will be useful to me for the rest of my life.



#### Anna, Senior Prefect

For my final year at HeadStart, I have had the privilege to be a school Prefect, a position I've wanted to hold since

being in Primary school. During my time as a Prefect, I was involved in the candy cane gram, the Halloween Disco and the Rose-a-gram. My involvement included being on the decorating committee and designing promotional posters for the events we organised. Being a Prefect was just as fun as I imagined and I would highly recommend future Year 11,12 and 13s to participate in this role.

PREFECTS 2019 - 2020 • HA-YEON SONG • THANAPHAT FREDERIKSEN • JINNA PHAISAMRAN

- JOHN HATT JAKE ANTOGNOLI ELIZAVETA STASHEVSKAIA BRENDON BOYLE
- BEN CASPI EUNGYEOL KANG SARA BOKOBZA DE LA ROSA CHANATTHA SINSAWAIPHOL
- · CALVIN VAN DER LAAN GEMMA BRAIN ANNA MALI HULL JEREMIE PERTHUIS
- CHARLIE SUZUKI YOONKYUNG LEE NATDHAWAT PANKUDRUA

## PRIMARY STUDENT COUNCIL



# WHAT HAS THE STUDENT COUNCIL DONE FOR US?

Students Leading the Way The Primary Student Council have impressed me this year with their maturity and the manner in which they have approached their job. Jie Jie and Egor have done a fantastic job leading by example as Head Girl and Boy ably supported by their Deputies, Abi and Mason. The Head and Deputy Head Girls and Boys have taken an increased role this year and led the meetings; ensuring discussion points are thoughtfully considered and all viewpoints heard. Although their contributions and impact have been cut short by the enforced period of online learning, in the short time that they have worked together they have had a significant impact on the School. They have shown that they collaborate well on ideas and issues, considering all angles and arriving at solutions that suit the majority. I have been very impressed with their attitude and the qualities of leadership that they have demonstrated. Among the areas of school life that they have considered are: equipment, food, school improvements,

lessons and learning. Significantly, they have implemented further developments in the play equipment for Primary children. Unfortunately the introduction of this has had to wait but, their organisational skills mean that the children will have even more equipment to play with during break times next year. The area of school life that always dominates discussion is food. The Student Council have made suggestions to the Food Committee for improvements following careful consideration based not just on what their classmates ask for but, also on their own experience and the practicalities. They have also contributed to the Community aspect of the school through their involvement in the Anti-Bullying initiative as well as participation on the visit to The Sunshine Village, where activities were led by the children under the guidance of Ms Cusworth. The Student Council deserve a huge thank you from all of Primary for the efforts this year. Next year's Council has a lot to live up to. -Mr James Hornby Deputy **Head of Primary** 

# PRIMARY HEAD BOYS

Teenueng Limpanapa Egor Kvitkin Abigail Sinclair Mason Holmes

# STUDENT COUNCIL PRIMARY

Erik Reul-Smekens Fernandez
Chayanat Limsomboon
Nichanen Inpet
Kanthee Chumkaew
Jiachen Xing
Kenika Suwansaychon
Mia Jacobs
Juliette Haus
Rajko Marquass
Megan Fenech
Herry Liang
Roman Shishloy

## SECONDARY STUDENT COUNCIL



# STUDENT COUNCIL SECONDARY

Mika Caspi Pun Chaokijkha Pan Pan Trirattanaporn **Jake Snyders Theo Phumess Hulot Lucky Diamond Jessica Rich Judah Herbold Hyunseung Kim Luna Ducasse** Kapom Vettayawaikoon Elizabeth Inman **Reece Edouard Nutcha Phaisamran Anna Belova** Filipo Gramaglia **Maksim Shelestov Alex Pravin** 

#### HOW WE MADE A DIFFERENCE



#### Filippo, Year 12 representative

Before this crazy lockdown situation happened, our school's student council had numerous discussions on what the student body thought were needed improvements in our learning environment. Here are some examples: new school events, ideas for a new uniform and new menu ideas. I personally had so much fun participating in these exciting yet beneficial discussions and would recommend everyone and anyone to try it out.



#### Reece, Year 11 representative

Being a Student Council member this year has been one of the many things I have been missing during this challenging quarantine. With our consistent meetings now at an end, I must say it was always exciting to walk into the classroom and begin talking about every individual topic raised by each person in the room. As a whole, I managed to gain a lot of experience and patience from the Student Council program and I am glad I enrolled from day 1.



#### Anya, Year 11 representative

My time as a member of the Student Council has been a very enjoyable experience as it allowed me to be involved in the school's development. Our meetings were very collaborative and provided us with lots of fun memories, as well as the opportunity to make mature decisions with fellow classmates. I am very proud to say that I was a part of such an important committee that improved not only the school's environment but also my confidence.



#### Ben, Year 12 representative

Being a senior Prefect with another student for the same homeroom was, to some extent, a serendipitous turn of events. I had applied for many positions within the student leadership body previously and this role has allowed us both to think of new ways to attempt to approach the shared position. I believe that the prefects, this year along with myself, have successfully given a voice to students who needed one and hope to do the same in the future



# Preschool





We are so happy that we got to teach the most lovely, smiley, friendly and cute bunch of children possible this year and we will never forget this time with these wonderful Preschoolers! This has been a fantastic year and the children have shown us endless positivity and smiles. We will really miss the fun games, the beautiful singing and the happy classroom vibe this group created every day. We feel like such lucky teachers that we got to watch these children learn and grow; we will miss them greatly.

-Ms Charlotte Myers, Ms Perrie Ramos, Ms Cora Liguid









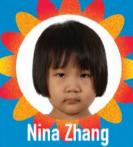




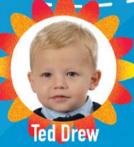


































# Early Years Yellow



Early Years Yellow, you have made me so proud this year! I'm privileged to have been part of your lives and see you grow and develop in personality and confidence throughout the year. You've been so brave saying goodbye every day to your Mummies and Daddies and forging the start of lifelong friendships. It has been a pleasure to see your smiley faces every day at school and during our online learning, and I will always remember you. I am sure you are excited about the many adventures you will have in Reception next year. Your new teachers will be so happy to have such an amazing class. Enjoy a fabulous future, "Early Years, attention, are we ready? Yes we are!"

-Ms Amy Drew, Ms Melissa Isiguen and Pi Ple





Melissa Isiguen



Rungnapa Detpakdee







# **Early Years Blue**



Dear Early Years Blue,

It has been an amazing year getting to know all of you and spend time learning through play. You all have grown up so much both in and outside the classroom, and we know that in Reception you will develop even further. We are proud of each and every single one of you for being such kind and enthusiastic classmates to one another, and hope to see you again soon. Lots of love!

-Ms Saki Shibuya and Ms Angela Coloma





**Angela Coloma** 



Aimorn Dech-aran







# Reception Yellow 🔀



Reception Yellow, you are all very special children and I want you to know although our year was cut short we are so proud of how much you have grown. We have loved being your teacher and your friends. The memories of the year will never be erased. Please come back and visit Ms Yien and myself in Foundation as you move up the school. What I have tried to teach you to last your whole life is to know that you are special, just because you are YOU!

-Ms Milly and Ms Yien





Wilasluck Muenpho







# Reception Blue





Reception Blue, you have been an absolute pleasure to teach this year! We have watched you grow in confidence, skills and even height! We have had a lovely year with lots of play, learning and laughter. You have all brought a special personality to Reception Blue and I have enjoyed getting to know each of you. I wish you the best of luck in 'big school'; I know you will make your next teacher smile as much as me! My wish for you is that you dream big, love yourself and others and always be proud of yourself. Thank you for your hard work, smiley faces and funny jokes. I will miss you lots my superstars! -Ms Keeley Ruddock and Ms Rebecca Robielos





Rebecca Robielos



Pornpan Leelapan









Dearest Foundation Children, What a special year we have had! We started out the year with lots of play based learning, even inviting your Mummies and Daddies to come and join in! Strong relationships were formed quickly with everyone involved in your development, which meant that together we could Inspire a Love for Learning in each and every one of you. Your teachers and I have especially enjoyed watching you grow into independent young people. Most of you take care of all of your personal needs now and can even serve your own lunches! We have loved to watch you lead your learning and explore the environments we create together. I am proud to say that each of you have made progress in all areas of development and are more than ready to move on to the next stage of your schooling. The final months of school have been very strange and we haven't been able to see you all at school, but we are very impressed with your Home Learning and we have even heard that some of you have been teaching phonics to your parents! Well done!

I look forward to seeing you all for the next school year, some of you will be in Year one but I will be sure to come to your classrooms to check how you are getting on. Remember, always be kind, be brave and have fun

- Miss Hannah Brown, Deputy Head of Foundation



























































































This year, we flew to Bangkok with 22 students from HeadStart Dance Academy to compete at the ATOD International Dance Competition 2020. This was an amazing experience for the students to perform on a professional stage in front of dance experts. The excitement and stage fright that enhance the adrenaline pushed our young dancers to do their very best. We came back with 2 Gold medals and 3 Honorable Mention, and a very unique feeling of pride and great achievement. It was a memorable experience for these young dancers as they travelled and stayed together while sharing laughter, excitement and tears. There are no words that can describe how proud I am. I love seeing them growing as dancers and young individuals.

- Fabienne Mester, HeadStart Dance Academy Coordinator





Star light, star bright, First star I see tonight..." On Thursday 20 June, over 70 of our junior dancers performed "Pinocchio and his Puppet Show" The students aged 3 to 8 years old, represented all the ballet classes, the baby Hip Hop and the Aerial Beginners from HeadStart Dance Academy With an opening of the Crazy Clocks, the Baby Ballerinas followed by the sweet Black Kittens, the shining Blue Fairies who gave the Gift of Life to the little puppet made of pine. Pinocchio through his journey met the German Puppets, then the French Mademoiselles dancing to the sound of the cancan, and finally the Russian aerial Pink Performers. Pinocchio proved himself brave, truthful and unselfish, and finally became a 'real boy'. The Reception Hip Hop class lead the finale "You got a friend in me". This wonderful 30 minute recital enchanted all from the youngest to the oldest. Enjoy the journey of Pinocchio through the photos, "...And always let your conscience be your guide!"

- Fabienne Mester, HeadStart Dance Academy Coordinator



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The Greatest Show was the third major dance recital presented by our Dance Academy since HeadStart International School moved to their new premises. First we had Chicago Stories, performed in 2017, set in the roaring 20's with its swing-electro sounds. Then came Charlie's Angels, bringing the 70's and the 80's back to the stage in 2018. This year 150 students from 6 to 17 years old brought us The Greatest Show. This 90-minute extravaganza was everything you could imagine from crazy to curious, funny, scary, sweet then magical and all in a flurry of colorful costumes. Choreographies and songs were performed with a circus theme, where contemporary and hip hop dancers, cheerleaders, aerial performers and singers brought a sense of humour, suspense, weirdness and the poetry of a circus to life; the venue even smelled of it with hay bales a part of the set that transformed the Sport Hall into a giant circus tent. - Fabienne Mester, HeadStart Dance Academy Coordinator



















We had our first virtual CAPA week on our HeadStart facebook page. The HeadStart Community took part in the Getty challenge, a photography competition, a virtual Art gallery as well as many Music, Art and DT activities during online lessons. On our Facebook page you were also able to relive some of our great performances from our Dance and Drama students. The week ended on a bang with our two HeadStart's got Talent finals. Congratulations to everyone who took part. The Secondary finals took place on Friday the 29th of May. Our 5 celebrity judges were completely blown away with the amount of talent we have in our school. Their comments to our students were really helpful as it came from people in the industry. Again, congratulations to everyone who took part and entertained us last week. You are all superstars! A big thank you to our CAPA team for putting on yet another fantastic week. - *Erika Cramp, Director of Creative and Performing Arts* 





It was a pleasure preparing the children for my first Primary show at HeadStart. We have some really talented youngsters and it was a tough job auditioning and choosing our main cast. They all worked so hard, learning their lines, rehearsing their songs and staying at school late every Monday. Each Primary class was also working hard each week preparing their class song with the invaluable help of their homeroom teachers and deputies. The show was an extravaganza with amazing costumes and lighting; it really was a sight to behold. Ursula was terrifying in her impressive costume and the classes were mesmerising in their lit up skirts and umbrellas, crab outfits, sailor costumes and more. Seeing how excited the children were and how much energy they brought to the stage was truly awe inspiring. -Ms Alex Holmes

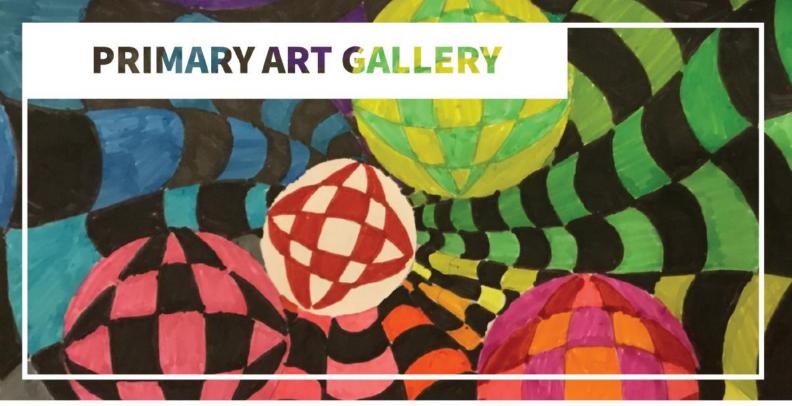




Our Senior CAPA Academy has pulled off our most challenging show yet. Fame, the musical is set in the 1980s in a performing Arts school in New York. It follows the live, love and laughs of the characters in the FAME Academy. We couldn't be more proud of this bunch of talented individuals. They truly are a special group!

- Erika Cramp, Director of Creative and Performing Arts





Through fun and stimulating art projects we encourage students to realise their own creative abilities, to grow confident in applying those abilities and to use innovation in whatever subject or situation they find themselves. We encourage all students to explore and develop ideas and creativity, allowing them to express what they see, think and feel through drawing, painting, collage, clay and printmaking. A big thank you to all the wonderfully talented and creative students who participated with enthusiasm throughout the year and in our online Art classes this term. -Ms Jody Leow















## SECONDARY ART GALLERY





By means of engaging and stimulating art projects, we encourage students to express themselves, their opinions and their ideas. We aim to nurture a love of, and confidence in creativity and innovation — a confidence they can call on in the future, whatever the subject, whatever the challenge. Students work with and explore different media including, drawing, painting, collage, clay, printmaking and digital media. A big thank you to all the wonderfully talented and creative students who participated with enthusiasm throughout the year and in our online Art classes this term.

-Ms Jody Leow











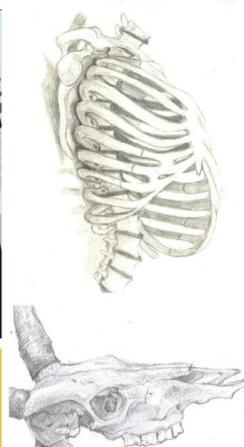






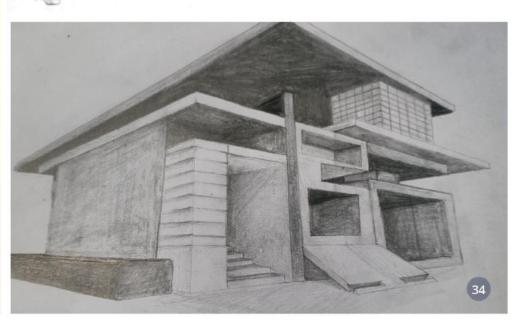












# Year 1 Yellow



It's been an honor and a privilege to watch you all grow and develop over this past year. I can't believe it's been a year already, the time has gone so quickly! I guess it's true what they say -time flies when you're having fun. We are so proud of you all and we wish you the best of luck in Year Two - you can always come back to say hello whenever you like. -Lots of love,

Ms Lauren Rose and Ms Cynthia Lo (Your favourite teachers)











Ariana Kuznetsova



**Arte Ongcharoen** 



**Caitlin Young** 





Jacob Ketroj



Lambor Mahasiriwuttanachai



Lynne Li



Mia Bezbabnova



**Justin Luo** 

Liz Reul-Smekens Fernandez



Naomi Soerensen



Napat Tippakdee



Peter Liu



Sasha Stepanova





Timur Khorokhorin



Ava Nikitina



**Woojin Song** 





# Year 1 Blue



To our lovely Year 1 Blue class. What a year we have had together, full of so many big adventures. From trips to the beach, performing our 'Peace at Last' show and of course our special time together in our online classroom! Our best memories are the smaller ones though. The kindness and love you showed each other and the silly fun we had. We will remember those moments forever. Now go and shine in Year 2 too!

-Ms Lucie Bevins and Ms Ivy Carlos









**Alex Thoma** 



Elena Iversen



Jasper Shi



Karina EL- TAWIL



Leo Watt



Liliia Shelestova



Liza Kolisnichenko



Lauren Liu

**Marat Zvarich** 



Nayana Bohm



Puan Klabpaen



Pip Hales



Sasha Berger



Seraphina Abbott



Stas Trachuk



Thamas Thampeerakul



**US Cumnuan** 



Yugeon Byeon



Yixin Hu







# **Year 1 White**



Thank you Year 1 White for an amazing year. You have made our job very easy from the first day and made us smile every day. You will all grow up to become amazing adults and we wish you all the luck in Year 2. Work hard and never give up. You will be amazing! We hope you enjoyed this year as much as we have. Remember the two things we have told you every day this year – try your best and have fun. We will miss you very much Year 1 White and will never forget you all.

-Mr Paul Williams and Ms Alma Oliva





**Adam Ronen** 



**Alex Vinogradov** 



**Ally Verma** 



**Ari Fuchs** 



**Ella Grimberg** 



**Emelie Westlie** 



**Emily Li** 



**Enzo Diouron** 



Gun Madamul



**Jagger Thebaut** 



**James Patterson** 



**Jiah Shim** 



**Jude Cramp** 



Kimi Jia



Polina Kochetkova



Polina Trofimenko



Raphael Wolff



**Triston Zhang** 



**Wansuk Na Takuatoong** 



Yasmin Halamandres





## Year 2 Yellow



It has been a year full of smiles and laughter in Year 2 Yellow. You are a bright, hardworking and fun group of students who support each other through different challenges. It has been a pleasure being your teachers and getting know you all! We have made so many wonderful memories together; from our amazing trip to the aquarium to solving the mystery of my missing banana (I still have not forgiven Mr Marx!). Keep smiling, laughing and working hard in Year 3, we know that you all have an amazing adventure ahead of you. You all have a special place in our hearts and we will miss you. Please pop in and see us next year! -Lots of love,

- Ms Donna Wintersgill and Ms Jaysel Dollolasa





















Prem Boontangjai

**Anna Omura** 

Jajah Chalengsakdi











# Year 2 Blue



My Dearest Year 2 Blue pupils,

Well I can honestly say I have never had a year like this in my life!
Our year together started with a great combination of little minds and fun personalities. It has been heartbreaking that we missed out on so much time to laugh, play and learn together. However, you have done so well taking on this new challenge of online learning. Ms Mency and I know that you will all go on to do amazing things. We are both so proud to have met you all.

-Mr Michael Marx and Ms Mency Regalado













Alysia Hoogeveen

Benny Miekautsch

**Buahom Watcharapin** 







Devi Agrawal

Dhanvi Goski

**Emmy Lange** 

**Marcus Wong** 









Narit Tephabutra

**Nate Chumkaew** 

Nawa Aikwanich

Nick Lu









**Oleg Stolbov** 

Pleum Areekarn

**Rita Wang** 

Sebastian Nielsen









Sienna Vorderleitner

Susie Xu

TJ Phongsanurak

Yingying Sawangpatanakul







**Zoe Bitoon** 

**Platon Gudimov** 

## Year 2 White



Year 2 White! It has been a real pleasure to teach you this year. We have enjoyed seeing you grow from a group of excited but nervous 'just out of Year 1' pupils in August, to the confident, enthusiastic learners that you are today. You have taken up every challenge we have given you this year: from challenging maths problems that you have scratched you head over to learning about facts from history. In the classroom, and also with Online Learning, we are consistently impressed by your hard work, your creativity and your thirst for learning. You are all ready for the challenge of moving to Year 3 and joining Key Stage 2! We wish you mountains of happiness and success in your school career at HeadStart- good luck! -Ms Annie Cusworth and Ms Shanti Carlson





**Shanti Carlson** 



### PRIMARY AWARDS 2019 - 2020



Sam Khan Head of Primary



James Hornby Deputy Head of Primary

Dear Parents, A warm welcome to the Foundation and Primary section of this year's HeadStart Yearbook. What an extraordinary year it has been! Our fantastic teachers have remained focussed on the task of providing learning and teaching of the highest quality for all our wonderful HeadStart pupils. Over the course of the year, I have been so proud of all the positive messages and feedback that my teaching colleagues and I have received from parents in the HeadStart community. As in previous years, our HeadStart team of professionals has remained committed to providing our pupils with as many opportunities as possible to develop and display their talents, often beyond the classrooms. Events such as Creative and Performing Arts Academy (CAPA) performances, sporting competitions, our After School Clubs, academies and our Faculty Weeks have been enthusiastically received by pupils. Parents too have got more involved as we have continued to develop our Stay and Play sessions and Positive Parenting workshops. We remain committed to providing the best possible education for our pupils, while also ensuring that they continue to develop a wider local, and global perspective. Our whole community can be justifiably proud of our charitable initiatives and environmental projects. Over the course of this year we have strengthened our links with Phuket Sunshine Village and will work and support them in the years ahead. HeadStart has also led the Oceans for All initiative and been instrumental in supporting and promoting this local environmental project that in years to come will have a significant impact on the quality of Phuket's seas and beaches - a vital part of our local economy. It is difficult not to ignore the impact that the COVID-19 pandemic has had worldwide and on our community. We have all been affected in some way by this event; whether it be here in Phuket, or family and friends elsewhere. However, we should not allow the current pandemic to deflect from what has been another extraordinary year in Foundation and Primary at HeadStart. Out of this global tragedy has come hope in the form of us all working closely together in ensuring that our pupils continue to learn, even though our school has remained closed. The HeadStart community truly is a learning community. I know you will join us and enjoy and celebrate the achievements and successes of our Foundation and Primary pupils and our community as a whole. There is just so much to celebrate and be proud of. - Kind regards, -Mr Sam Khan, Head of Primary and Foundation

### Student of the Year





Awarded to the student deemed to have made the most outstanding contribution throughout the year at HeadStart.

#### **Outstanding Effort**



Raphael Wolff



YICHER LI



Nina Gaehler



Mia Morani



Preerada Boonsoong



Nutthapat Thanapakpong Year 6

### **Outstanding Student**













Jomnang Koysomboon Year 6

### **Most Improved Student**













### **Outstanding Sports Performer**



Karina EL-TAWIL



Benjamin Miekautsch Year 2









Jidapa Purinunthakorn

#### **Creative Arts Prizes**







Sports Performer of the Year



#### **Most Improved Sportsperson**











## Year 3 Yellow



What a fantastic, amazing journey we have had together, this academic year. You have never failed to make us smile, giggle and even cry with tears of laughter. There has never been a dull moment in our class due to humour, funny jokes and many hilarious stories. Your smiling faces and cheery personalitiies made you a very easy class to teach. It has been an absolute delight to know you all and we shall miss you terribly as you move on to Year 4. Thanks for being a great class.

-Ms Nicola Fallows and Ms Deborah Langcao















**Allen Wang** 

Andrei Alekseev







**Emilie Cunningham** 

Danny Hu

Daoden Santikayawakul









Enzo Catellani

**Grace Mektawornsawat John Chadwick** 

Namo Angsirikul







Pim Pijit



Pun Aikwanich



Ryu Pattaravoranee



Seoha Im



Tan-Thai Aumsatit



Tanyong Orathaikriangkrai



Tisha Gillam



Title Eksatapornsakul



**Yubin Lee** 



## Year 3 Blue



It has been wonderful to see the spirit of cooperation and sense of community in Year 3 Blue this year. New children have been made to feel welcome and existing friendships have grown. The children have risen to meet the challenges of working in cooperation with others and taken responsibility for their learning when working independently. We have reached the end of the year having had some wonderful, and sometimes unusual, shared experiences. We hope that next year all of the children continue to show the resilience and love of learning that we have seen so often this year.

-Mr Dan Nicholson and Ms Johanna Pon-An















**Cooper Fisher** 

Deedee Druce

Erik Reul-Smekens Fernandez









Ida Ongcharoen

Jack Li

**Jasmine Prachumpan** 

Kate Atirak









Kevin Ma

Khunpon Chansawang

Mikhail Lozovtsov

Nana Ammatariyakul









Nora Lyu

**Oleg Anisimov** 

**Paige Young** 

Praewa Pinthongphan









**Proud Jitsaree** 

Roma Aikwanich

**Tamir Wisnia** 

**Taywin Davies** 







**Thomas Hauke** 

**Timy Ignatyev** 

Yuri Ivanov

## **Year 3 White**



We have had the most amazing fun this year with the hilarious, hard-working, and heartwarming Year 3 White class! It has, without doubt, been a testing year for all of us, but through it all the one constant has been the attitude and effort that each and every one of you has shown in every challenge put in front of them. In our constantly changing world, these children have displayed the resilience and adaptability they need to be successful as they grow older. Year 3 White, you guys have all made us both so proud, and we will miss you all very much!

-Mr Ian Jackson and Ms Clyde Carlos











Annie Zhao **Alex Rains** 



**Ashley Wiegand** 







**Danny Kongdang** 



**Eugene Cho** 



LuukBua Inpet



Mangkron Biedenharn



Mingbo Li



Mud-Mee Na Nakorn



Nina Gaehler



**Omer Grimberg** 



Punn Pongpoonlarp



Pure Suvunditkul



Serena Richards





Vicky Stepanova



**William Parvin** 



**Harmony Adams** 



Maximilian Marchetti

## Year 4 Yellow



This school year has been unlike any other and certainly one that we will never forget. During this, we could not have asked for a better homeroom. Every day, whether it has been in the classroom or on google meet, you have all made us laugh. Just like we will never forget the year 2020, we will never forget Year 4 Yellow! Thank you all for your positivity, energy and hard work this year!

-Mr Sean Clarke and Mr Toribio Fabila











## Year 4 Blue



What a fantastic year we have had and Ms Jo Ann and I are so proud of every single one of you. We are privileged to have taught such enthusiastic, hardworking and helpful children. You have brought smiles to our faces every day and have impressed us with your imagination, skills, determination, and creativity, not to mention your caring and kind attitude to everyone in the class. From building bones, creating wonders, and dazzling everyone with our beautiful Christmas paper chain (even if ours was the shortest), we thank you for all of your hard work and super learning and know you will all continue to grow and go very far! Well done Year 4 Blue!

-Ms Kirsty Hark and Ms Jo Ann Capalihan











**Austin Abbott** 





**Eddy Huovila** 





**Heyman Zhang** 

**Icey Liu** 

Jacob Potcharakotchanun









**Josh Burton** 

Katya Zagarina

**Kevin Davidson** 

Lincoln Wanamakok









**Marcel Chanadad** 

Mark Zvarich

Mathilde Westlie

Max Hoogeveen









Mona Udomaksorn

**Mook Yongsakul** 

Non Chumkaew

**Princy Verma** 











Si Si Liang

Teo Endelicher

Tete Ngernanek

## Year 4 White



Year 4 White, we have enjoyed teaching you all and it has been a joy watching you grow as creative thinkers and problem solvers. You've shown consideration to others and grown in independence. Every year is unique; this year especially so! Being forced to learn away from school, we have been incredibly impressed with your resilience and ability to adapt to our remote virtual classroom. You have continued your Year 4 learning very well, plus we have all gained some valuable skills and experience during this unprecedented situation, turning negatives into positives. Keep up the fantastic Growth Mindset in all that you do! -Ms Jen Rapkins and Ms Lyndel Recto







Danielle De Jesus















Ivan Luo









Pampam Detprasitphiboon Paul Limamonrat Phukan Phucharoen Point Suwansaychon







Rei Ruktaetrakul



**Tito Thongtong** 



Yarik Kolisnichenko



Kai Watt



Mia Morano



Tiger Liu

## Year 5 Yellow



As your teachers, we hope you know that we will always be in one of three places: in front of you, to guide you, teach you, lead by example and cheer you on. Beside you, so that you won't walk alone and we'll be there in case you stumble and behind you, to give you a push in the right direction. You have made us smile everyday and we have loved being there for each and every one of you. Make us proud.

-Love from Ms Kate Forster and Ms Josephine Taypoc







## Year 5 Blue



Thank you, Year 5 Blue, for making my first year at HeadStart so brilliant and memorable. Ms Ayce and I feel so lucky to have had the opportunity to teach such a fantastic class. You are a bright, hardworking and passionate group of children and each and every one of you are special in your own unique way. There's never been a dull moment with you guys around and each day you've made my smile bigger, my laugh louder and my life a whole lot better. Remember, whatever you imagine you can achieve and whatever you dream you can become -Ms Carla Whitehead and Ms Ayce Rico









**Abigail Sinclair** 



**Aiden Cox** 



Andrey Vygovskii



Latte Tengamnuay



Lisa Cai



**Maksim Vinogradov** 



Mudmai Anuntakool



Mudmai Anuntakool



PanPan Hallermann



Priya Khanal



**Robert Ding** 



Ton Chalengsakdi



Dany Kobelev



Mia Jacobs



Porto Deawiaras



Alina Saitova



### **Year 5 White**



What a year we have had in Year 5 White! You have blossomed and grown through good times and bad. You have coped with changes with smiles on your faces and every day you have made us laugh. Year 5 White is packed full of characters that show us their smiling faces and great imagination and enthusiasm in lessons. Every single member of the class has shown integrity, resilience and maturity in the last few months. We are so proud of all of you and wish you every success in your future!

-Ms Emma Spencer and Ms Hydie Tuldague













**Mason Holmes** 



**Naihua Chansawang** 



Pepper Sawatdirak



**Phak Sukban** 



**Putter Sathitsilp** 



Reece Mckellar



Sava Shumakov



Savva Khorikov



Steve Huang



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Sophie Webb



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Yellow. You are all so talented, kind and have each taken up a space in our hearts! We are so proud of all of your achievements - this year more than any! We have all faced some difficult times and you have come through smiling and radiating positivity! You are each magnificent and beautiful. It has been both an honour and a privilege to be your teachers and we wish you all the best of luck for Year 7 and beyond. Be brave, be bold, be whatever you want to be. -Ms Sopie Webb and Ms Airl Mindaro



**Airl Mindaro** 



Charlie Su #teacher



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#### YEAR 6 BLUE





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**Lindsay Williams** 



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We have really enjoyed this year and I hope you have too. You have made every day fun and rewarding. My favourite memories are when we went to the Aquarium and when you won the Year 6 Christmas dance competition. I am so proud of everything you have done this year and how you coped when things were difficult. I know every single one of you will continue to learn and progress with the positive attitude you have all had this year. Thank you for an amazing year. Good luck in Year 7 and keep working hard. - Ms Lindsay Williams and Mr Danny Isiguen



Danny Isiguen



Angus Wong #mathematician



Anica Mathur #bestbotanist



Artem Pintusov #goalkeeper



Aum Seangsalak #nurse



Axel Martin #profootballer



Christina Jia #philosopher



Colin Wanamakok #superswimmer



Egor Kvitkin #footballerforlife











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Megan Fenech #topsprinter



Nadia Hauke #excellentengineer



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I can't believe I'm already coming to the end of my first year at Headstart, It has passed so incredibly quickly. What an absolute privilege it has been getting to know, my amazing 6 White students. Such an eclectic, intelligent, vibrant group of children, who have done exceptionally well through-out the year. Ms Soriba and I wish you all the best of luck, as you continue your educational journey into Secondary school. Keep smiling. -Mr Michael Orr and Ms Hannah Soriba



Aoei Pobphair #RaksinaTheChef



Jomnang Koysomboon #soulofadoctor



Eason He #Chef4Life



Justin Xu #JunzheTheGame



Michael Orr



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Yuna Cho #MakeUpArtist



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Khun Vettayawaikoon #Gamer











## THE FOOTBALL ACADEMY

2019-2020, a year to remember! The Football Academy had two main objectives this year: to engage more players in the programme and to improve the standard of performance. I'm absolutely delighted to have achieved both objectives and far more this year. This achievement has only been possible with the outstanding support of the coaching team, the players, the parents and of course, the school. This year we have doubled the size of the academy, given the girls teams 'academy' status, we have played over 100 matches, (more than double the previous season) and hosted team building days out, introduced an Under 12s team and attended six tournaments including PISAC, BISP Soccer 7s and Harrow International School Tournament. The Under 11 girls and boys success at the PISAC tournaments and the Under 13 Boys performance at the BISP 7s really stand out as highlights of the season. Most importantly though, is the personal development I have seen in each player. The squad have taken on a new level of maturity this season, taking responsibility for their development and representing HeadStart proudly in every training session and match. From myself and all the coach team, well done and keep up the great work! -Coach Asa Sanderson, Head Football Coach



























## THE SWIMMING ACADEMY

The 2019-2020 season, one that will go down in the books! This season, we introduced a lot of new concepts; our once per week long practices, Coach Nut and Puy taking on the Bronze swimmers and going to ISB for our annual travel trip!

Though our season was cut short, I am extremely proud of all our athletes! They always stepped up and raced when it counted. We finished the Thanyapura Open League in third place after only one session, in which I am certain we would have moved up at least one position. Our boys placed fourth at the Thanyapura Super Sprint, while the girls placed third! Our usual trip to Patana was replaced with attending the ISB Swim Fest, which proved to be a really fun meet!

Next season, we will be back on track and the future holds a lot of exciting adventures for us. I wish the best of luck to all our Aqua Panthers who are swimming away this summer. I hope you continue developing into the amazing people I know you will become. -Coach Zak Brown, Head Swim Coach























## SPORTS DAYS



## HOUSE NEWS & COMPETITIONS

The House system at HeadStart encourages healthy competition by partaking in a range of fun activities alongside traditional sports days, swimming galas, weigh-your-waste, weekly house quiz and merits. Participation, working as part of a team and sportsmanship are key core values that are taught through the House system and the reflection of these in the competitions creates the positive atmosphere and brings out the determination for the students to score as many points as possible. The running total of points has created an incredible story this academic year. In Term 1, the Red Phoenixes proved that consistent participation despite not winning paid off as they accumulated enough points to finish on top of the podium. The top place was never guaranteed and after a super successful sports day week, the Yellow Cheetahs rocketed from 4th place to House Winners.- *Kirstie Melville, House Coordinator* 



Total House Score 4401

Total House Score 4332

Total House Score 4197

Total House Score













## **HEADSTART SPORTS**



















The 2019-2020 academic year has so much to celebrate from our PE programme, extra-curricular sports activities and also our Football and Swimming Academies and Volleyball and Basketball teams. I was delighted to welcome our super-fantastic, highly professional and dedicated new PE team this year; Miss Smith (PE Coordinator), Miss Melville (House Coordinator), Mr Woods (PE & IGCSE), and Mr Sadler (PE & BTEC).

IGCSE), and Mr Sadler (PE & BTEC).

Our Football Academy continued to go from strength-to-strength with the appointment of a highly qualified coach, Ace. We also initiated our intern programme, welcoming Coach TB. Also, as I promised last year, my aim was that the Girls' Football programme would achieve 'Academy' status this year, which, I am delighted to report, they have culminating in our first girls team being entered to the infamous BISP Soccer 7's! Although we lost most of our senior swimmers this year due to graduation, the Swim Academy continues to thrive and we streamlined the criteria for acceptance to the academy due to it's popular and competitive environment under the expert guidance of Coach Brown.

We continued to build on our Volleyball programme and appointed Calvin Van Der Laan to take over the Captaincy of the team, which he did with great gusto and spunk. I am also delighted to report that Coach Yupa will be joining us as our new Head Coach next year. She has an impressive

resume; 23 years as a full-time player and she first represented Thailand at the age of 15!

Both our Boys and Girls Basketball teams achieved success this year. The U17 Girls won (for the second year in a row) the HeadSart Invitational Cup and the boys continued to show drastic improvements, managing a win at the Phuket Basketball Tournament with a glorious buzzer-shot victory from Pinyo Ochse Freiwald.

In summary, some of our notable performances from Academic Year 2019-20 have been the U11 Girls winning the PISAC Football tournament, the Senior Volleyball Team winning the PISAC Volleyball Tournament, a massive squad of participants at the BISP X-Country event with HeadStart finishing in 3rd place, the Girls Basketball Team winning the HeadStart Invitational Cup, the Boys Basketball Team winning the Phuket Basketball Tournament, participating in our first Touch Rugby event held at the ACG and successful Swimming and Football Academy trips to Bangkok.

Swimming and Football Academy trips to Bangkok.
As always, our Academies, sports teams, PE provision and all the teachers, coaches and support staff (including some parents) involved continue to impress and amaze me. Well done to everyone! What a fantastic year of sporting endeavours and achievements it has been!

-Nicholas Carter, Director of Sport

## **ANNUAL SPORTS AWARDS 2020**

#### Coach's Award **Swimming**



**Tess Tjernstrom** Year 10

#### Coach's Award **Football**



Krittat Phaisamran Year 8

### **Most Valuable Player of The Year**















































## **Most Improved Athlete**













































## **Most Enthusiastic Athlete**

















## THAI LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

Once again we celebrate another year of academic success for the Thai department at HeadStart. As a team we strive to develop our curriculum and academic levels to make sure that our students gain a high standard of Thai language and culture while also maintaining our Thai identity amongst HeadStart's international environment. As we work towards higher standards in the 'Thai as a First language' programme, we also notice an increase in the amount of students which proves we are doing the job right! In an attempt to improve the 'Thai as a Second Language' programme, we have added 2 days of learning making a total of 5 hours a week in order to increase the amount of learning opportunities for our students. We are proud to say that each year we continue to gain the trust and confidence of the Thai community in Phuket and we will continue to strive for excellence in the coming academic year.









## การประกวดมารยาทไทย ปี 2562 THE THAI ETIQUETTE COMPETITION 2019





This year, HeadStart entered eight Thai students into the annual Thai Etiquette Competition at Sapan Hin stadium, there are Napat and Gail Year1, Natcha Year 3, Tete Year 4, Jomnang Year 6, Oskar Year 7, Tangton and Pailin Year 11. The event was organised by Phuket Municipality Office and over 300 students from over Thai schools on the island competed in this competition. HeadStart was the only international school who ever participated and won this competition for the 4th year running. The winners were awarded by Khun Somjai Suwansupana, Phuket town mayor.

## THAI EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

























## MATHS & COMMERCE FACULTY

It's been another fantastic year for the Maths and Commerce Faculty! We welcomed new members of staff; Miss Sara Wilson in Mathematics and Mr Charlie Crowther in Business, both having an immediate impact on the faculty as well as the students. Once again the Maths and Commerce Faculty Week took HeadStart by storm! Throughout the week it was commonplace to see maths students running stressfully from one class to the next, trying to confirm correct answers in the maths relays.

Computer coding, a crucial skill in many future professions, was enjoyed by computing students all week long. Pop-up business' were the order of the week, as students submitted their best ideas for creating a 'quick idea' business. Our yearly Logo Competition was, yet again a fan favourite. Unlike last year, no one was able to identify all of the logos, not even Mr Drew! A highlight of the faculty week was definitely the stop motion competition. The creativity displayed by those students who entered the competition was truly impressive!

In addition to our regular schedule of rigorous assessments and examinations, a number of students competed in the Thailand International Maths Olympiad (TIMO). This is a very difficult competition requiring a superb understanding of algebra, number theory and geometry. Not only that, but excellent problem solving skills are a necessity if you are to be successful.

HeadStart participants performed with great aplomb! Excellent work!
The new Sixth Form pathway that is BTEC began this year at HeadStart with a focus in Business, and Travel & Tourism. It offers students a hands on approach to getting their foot in the door of these professions. With its assignment based work we have seen students setting up shops in the school atrium, as well as undertaking research trips to establishments around the island. Lastly, I want to thank both the students and staff of the Maths and Commerce Faculty for their hard work, dedication, focus and flexibility in the face of the difficult circumstances we have encountered since the end of March. Special mention must be made in regards to the exam classes, IGCSE and A Level. The extra work put in by staff as well as the adaptability of the students was truly commendable. Everyone was totally out of their comfort zone and given the irregularity of the process this year, the examinations were conducted with the utmost drive and commitment by all those involved.

-Mr Rhys Carlson, Head of Maths and Commerce







## SCIENCE FACULTY

The 2019/20 academic year has been a year of stability and continued growth for the Science department. As a department we have seen no change of staff since the summer of 2018. Also we are now well settled on the fourth floor and have therefore turned our focus towards acquiring new equipment which has allowed us to further develop the range of investigations we can run. We have also been meticulously analysing and enhancing our schemes of work to ensure we maximise the progress of students in Science.

As is customary, the highlight for the school in 2019/20 was undoubtedly Science Faculty Week. As usual this started and ended with a (lot of) bang(s). During the Science Faculty Week assembly the students were shown the importance of having a deep understanding of Science as teachers who failed to correctly answer questions on everyone's favourite subject were unceremoniously gunked. As the week progressed there was a wide range of activities and competitions. These included building and racing solar powered vehicles, photography and video competitions, a biology treasure hunt, dry ice investigations, pressure experiments and thermite reactions. The last of these showed just how sensitive the fire alarms are in the Science classrooms! Obviously moving to online teaching robbed us of the opportunity to 'wow' students with live demonstrations and fantastic investigations. However, it did not dampen our ability to help the students see how much more beautiful existence is when you start to understand the rules that govern the universe.

As a department, we are already excited about the next academic year. Make sure you follow the school's newsletter as we have big plans for next year's Science Faculty Week...

#### - Mr. Timothy Davidson, Head of Science







## ENGLISH & HUMANITIES FACULTY

Our faculty has continued to blossom in 2019-20. After achieving some record-breaking results in IGCSE and A Level, (including students achieving Top in Thailand at IGCSE Literature and an almost unheard of 98% in an A Level Paper), we hope to build on this success with results this summer. Certainly we are well positioned: as the Head of Faculty, it is evident to me not only how much learning takes place across the subjects but also how engaged students are and how much learning is taking place.

We have been lucky to welcome a number of outstanding colleagues this year and I thank them all for their contributions. The standard of teaching has certainly developed in the faculty this year and I am

confident it will continue to do so in 2020-21.

Student engagement with the subjects were seen nowhere better than during Faculty Week. As well as the usual events and activities around the school, we were fortunate to welcome BAFTA award winner David Jacklin as a guest speaker to give a fascinating talk and workshop to the senior students. I would be surprised if there was one Secondary student who was not involved in some capacity during this week.

The final word should go to the students though and we hope you have enjoyed seeing their work in English, History and Geography in weekly Facebook posts and on the school's Weekly update HeadStart students are a joy to work with and, of course, ultimately it is them who make the school what it is. I will be continuing in this role next year and we will all strive to achieve even more.

Omnia Praeclara tam Difficilia, Quam Rara Sunt.

-Mr David Pollicutt, Head of English and Humanities







## LANGUAGES FACULTY

The 2019-2020 academic year was indeed another demanding one for the Languages Faculty, and I want to personally thank each and every one of you for your flexibility, hard work, and willingness to go above and beyond when asked to do so.

When I think back to the beginning of this noteworthy year, there were so many uncertainties. Will the new language classrooms be ready for the start of the school year? When would one of our newest team members, Mr Banchao, be able to join us? Which Primary year groups would have students in First Language French? When will our inaugural faculty week take place? As the year started we began to get clarity on some of those unanswered questions, and eventually were able to enjoy each other's company while growing together as a faculty over the ensuing months.

I am already looking forward to leading this faculty again next year and doing more of what we had planned for this year, especially faculty dinners because those were extremely fun and very enjoyable! From the bottom of my heart, thank you so much for the enthusiasm and dedication that you bring each and every day!

#### - Mr. Michael Opaliski, Head of Languages







## STUDENT SUPPORT

It has been an exciting year of development for The Student Support Team as we broadened services to the school community. We provide academic and pastoral support, social & emotional guidance and care for the whole school. Throughout the year our team have facilitated a wide range of events for both students and parents. Here are some of the highlights;

R U OK? Day - A day to inspire and empower everyone to ask 'Are you OK?' and raise awareness of mental health and wellbeing.

Coffee with the Counsellors - Coffee mornings organised by the School Counsellors; an opportunity to share parenting tips, discuss life on the island and to build relationships with other parents.

**Odd Socks Day** - A day to celebrate that we are all unique! Wearing odd socks to symbolise difference and encourage children to be themselves and accepting of one another. **Positive Parenting Workshops** - A series of six workshops provided for parents to help them to develop their parenting skills in a supportive environment.



**Secondary Girls Empowerment Group Coffee Mornings** - A group encouraging the participants to have empowering voices as women and discuss key issues affecting young women around the world.

If anyone within the HeadStart community requires academic, social or emotional support then do not hesitate to contact us via email

- sst@headstartphuket.com.

















## THE INTERNATIONAL AWARD

Another fantastic year for all the Year 10 and 12 students that participated in the Duke of Edinburgh International Award this academic year. Despite some weather challenges, our students have done exceptionally well navigating on the open sea in their kayaks and sailboats. I would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all of the teachers, instructors, assessors and parents who have supported the students with their award this year, we could not have done it without you! -Kind regards, - Mrs. Letitia Bekker

























## **ACADEMIC RESULTS 2019**

Again we celebrate another year of academic success for our examination students...

#### A Level (Year 13)

We are delighted to announce the outstanding A Level results achieved by our Year 13 students, who achieved a 97% pass rate across 11 different subjects. Special mention must be made of Bomnuri Kim, Natanicha Chaloemtoem (our Head Girl), Natalia Kotova and Marco de la Rosa (our Head Boy) who achieved A-A\* grades in all of their A Level subjects. Natalia also received an Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award for Top in Thailand in A Level Business.



#### AS Level (Year 12)

Our Year 12 students also achieved a 97% pass rate at AS Level, across 12 different subjects. Our highest performers this year were Ha-Yeon Song, Marc Baeuerle and Thanaphat Frederiksen, who each achieved the maximum possible outcome of A grades in all 4 of their AS subjects. In addition, Alexandre Pravin received an Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award for High Achievement in French Language.

We are very proud of our Sixth Form students who worked extremely hard all year to achieve such great results.

#### IGCSE (Year 11)

HeadStart is pleased to report another outstanding set of examination results at IGCSE. This year, 90% of grades were A\*-C and 28% of all grades were A\*-A. Our top students, all of whom achieved 9 or more A\*-A grades, were Elizaveta Stashevskaia, Charlie Suzuki and Hyunseung Lee. Furthermore, Elizaveta achieved an Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award for Top in Thailand in IGCSE Literature (English).



Checkpoint (Years 6 and 9)

We also celebrate with 32 of our younger students for scoring 6.0 in at least one of their Checkpoint subjects – especially India Smuthkochorn and Natt Kritchanarat, who achieved perfect scores in all three subjects (Mathematics, English and Science). Overall, 89% of all scores were 3.0 or higher: "A sound understanding of the curriculum" 37% of all scores were 5.0 or higher: "An excellent understanding of the curriculum" 16% of all scores were 6.0 (The maximum score available)

Our warmest congratulations go out to all HeadStart students and teachers for the effort and hard work that was necessary to gain these fantastic results.

## BTEC

It has been a fantastic year for the BTEC students, with all 3 BTEC subjects starting the programme with a bang back in September, travelling to Bangkok and attending the Glion and Les Roche Careers and Leadership Workshop. Our budding entrepreneurs on the BTEC Business programme successfully planned and led the annual HeadStart Christmas Market, and sold snacks and beverages at the Halloween Disco. Travel enthusiasts on the BTEC Travel & Tourism programme visited the PHIST, (Phuket Hotels for Islands Sustainable Tourism) where they networked with hotel and tourism entrepreneurs whose aim was to promote Phuket's sustainable tourism and environment. BTEC Sport assisted with the running of the HeadStart Sports Day, had a football coaching experience, visited Thanyapura where they spoke to fitness testing specialists, and received a Skype call from an international sporting events professional. Throughout the year they have shown determination, enthusiasm and passion and have developed many soft skills such as communication, problem solving and teamwork, all of which future employers look for. All of the students have embraced the BTEC programme and the more practical way of learning, producing excellent coursework and assessment opportunities using videos, group presentations and taking part in the many events and trips this year.





I am very excited at the prospect of welcoming new students to our existing subjects of Business, Sport and Travel & Tourism next

academic year where we will also be offering Music as a new BTEC subject to HeadStart.

-Ms Yardenna Jones, BTEC Coordinator





















## SECONDARY AWARDS 2019 - 2020



Richard Lukats Head of Secondary



Wow! What an unbelievable year it has been at HeadStart Secondary School. We have grown in size; more students' better facilities and, even more impressively, the quality of our provision and the achievements of our Secondary students have continued to be outstanding. Academically Secondary students attained excellent results at Checkpoints, IGCSEs, and AS/A Levels. Our school, however, is much more than just an exam factory. Although we rightfully celebrate the academic achievements of our students here, we also equally commemorate the progress and effort students put into their studies and other facets of school life daily. In a year that will be remembered undoubtedly for COVID – 19, we should remember and celebrate the tenacity, resilience and grit of all our students who have continued to stay focused on their studies and excel in all aspects of school life. As a community, we celebrate the fantastic achievements of all our students; those mentioned here should feel privileged to be the representatives of all our student's accomplishments. -*Mr Richard Lukats, Head of Secondary* 

### Student of the Year





Awarded to the student deemed to have made the most outstanding contribution throughout the year at HeadStart.

## **Outstanding Effort**



India Smuthkochorn



Arisara Bierwolf



Yingge Liu



Supicha Songpetchmongk



Gemma Brain



Eungyeol Kang



Ha-Yeon Song

#### **Outstanding Student**



Chutikarn Doowa



Emily Avenel



Charles Callens



Aneeta Mettapanyalen



Anastasia Buneev



Hyunseung Lee



Thanaphat Frederiksen

### **Most Improved Student**



Ryan Cox Vear 7



Eva Ducasse



Luyu Han



Kairui Zhang



Kalyakorn Limcharoen



Nam Bouchara



Serena Payne

## **KS5 Subject Prize**





























## **IGCSE Subject Prize**







































## **Outstanding Sports Performer**













**Thai Etiquette Award** 



#### **Creative Arts Prizes**



**Most Improved Sportsperson** 







Community Most Improved



**DoF Trophy** 



**Head Boy** 



**Head Girl** 





Shield









# YEAR 7 YELLOW



ALICIA NIEMAND

Wherever you go, go with all your heart. Always remember that you are absolutely unique. Just like everyone else. It has been an absolute pleasure Year 7 Yellow.

-Ms Alicia Niemand









CHUTIKARN DOOWA



**COLM PATHO** 







































## YEAR 7 BLUE





It was amazing getting to start working at Headstart Secondary school just as you are starting your own Secondary journeys. It has been a fantastic year, it has been wonderful getting to know you all. I always look forward to you coming in to see me in the morning even though you are all really loud and early. You always put a smile on my face and you are like my little family.

-Mr Dale Benham

DALE BENHAM









ALISA LAZARENKO

ANNA ADABASHYAN

















**EMMA PALOP ROCA** 



INGFAH RONGRUEANGKUL



**JAI SINGH** 



JAY JUDGES



LIBI WISNIA



MIKA CASPI



NATHAMON SUDTHIOSOT



**OLEG GORDZIEVSKII** 



OLEKSANDRA DOTSENKO



SCOTT PARKINSON



SEAN CORLEY





YEJIN LEE



**ZHIYI TONG** 



SHAYO LAPANURAK



ZIMO KAN



# YEAR 7 WHITE





NIALL QUINLAN

Although, I joined you late in the school year as your Homeroom teacher, thank you for welcoming me and making my life so much brighter. I am so lucky to have been your teacher and have thoroughly enjoyed the short but knowledgeable journey we took together. Each and everyone of you is an inspiration. Your future is bright. Thank you all.

-Mr.Quinlan









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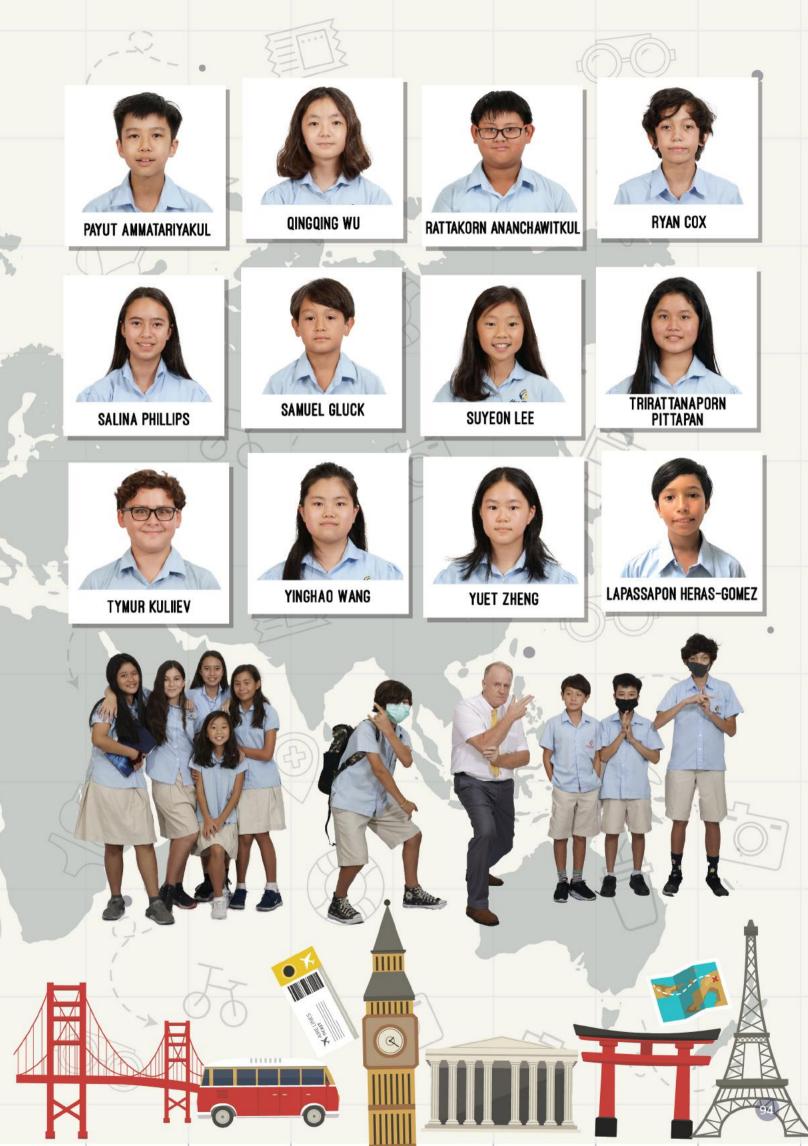














## YEAR 8 YELLOW





DAVID MILLAKE

Another action packed year is coming to an end for the students of Year 8 and it is time to reflect on all of our achievements and experiences during the year. Firstly, I would like to thank Year 8 for always arriving at my door bright and early every morning and for sharing their endless enthusiasm and energy. As a homeroom Year 8 have excelled themselves academically in the subjects they have studied and also by their strong participation to the school's ASP programme and performances. Several of our students, including: Eva, Mary, and Nina assisted with the school's productions, such as 'Fame', 'Chicago Stories', and 'the Little Mermaid.' In the sporting arena Manta was extremely succesful in the U15 inter-school basketball competition in Phuket and Christina participated in the PISAC cross-country and football tournaments. Another highlight was Yan's participation in the World Scholars events in Manilla and New York. So many others too but I would like to thank you all for giving your very best this year. -Dr David Millake



ANDREY LEBEDEV



APISARA NGARMSEANG



ARISARA BIERWOLF



CHAYAPOL NGERNANEK





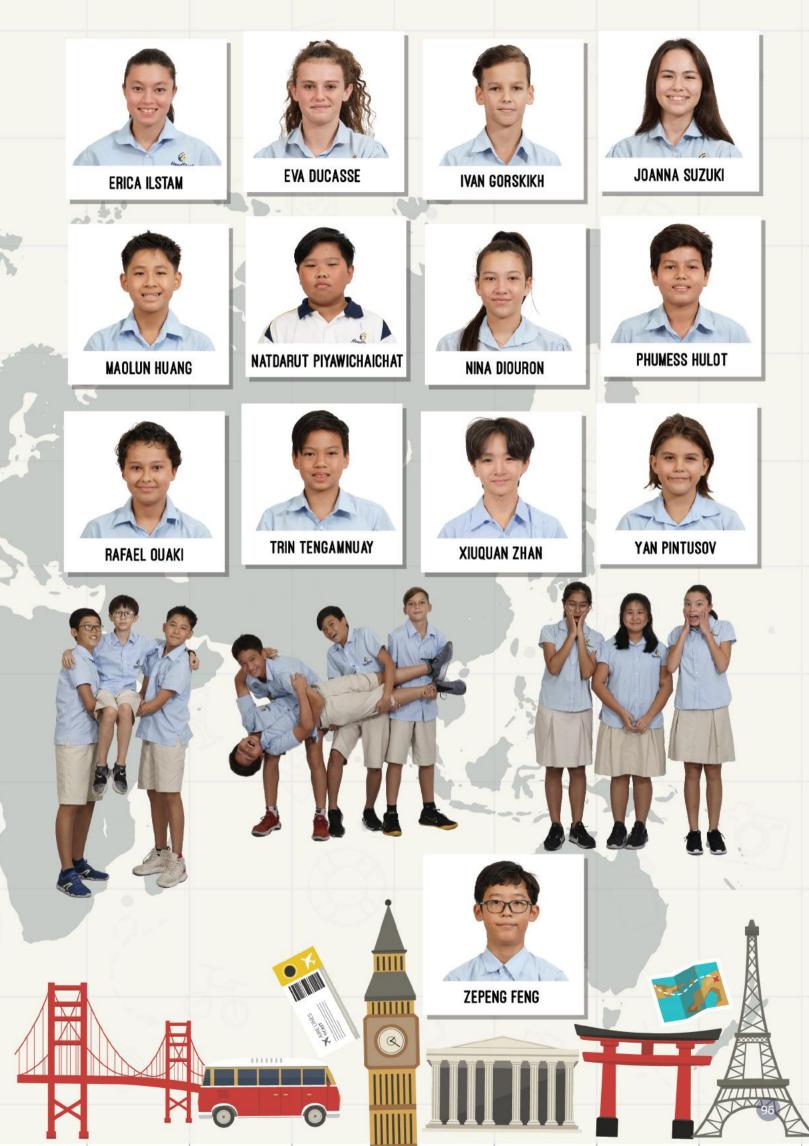








DAOYI WANG





## YEAR 8 BLUE





JAMES BARKER

8 Blue, another year has passed so quickly and you continue to mature and grow both academically and personally. You're now ready for the next step in your HeadStart journey to face and embrace, the challenges of becoming 9 Blue. I'm confident you'll continue to strive to do your best and continue to improve. Well done for all the hard work and hurdles you have overcome and I look forward to seeing you next academic year. - Ms James Barker



ABIGAIL PAGE



ALYANA HEPPELL



CRISPIN DYLAN REYNOLDS



**DORN BALTES** 











JEONG SUK LEE





## YEAR 8 WHITE





**ALEXANDRA HOLMES** 

Another year flashes by. It has been a pleasure to watch my homeroom grow and to see how resilient and adaptable they have been in these strange times. They are always able to bring a smile to my face and I truly look forward to being back in the classroom with them again. My homeroom is full of bright and talented children and it has been a privilege to be able to celebrate their academic, sporting and artistic successes with them throughout the year. I am sure that year 9 will see them go from strength to strength.

-Ms Alex Holmes



**CAMERON SMITH** 



CHADANIT PRACHUMPAN



DAMIR AN



**EGOR MANKOV** 











LUCKY DIAMOND

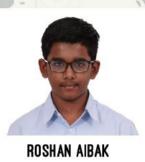










































# YEAR 9 YELLOW





CHRISTOPHER BROWN

It has been a pleasure to guide you through your final year of Key Stage 3. It's been a year like none we have ever experienced before, but I have been really impressed to see you logging on to homeroom every morning and carrying on making a big effort with your classes. I look forward to helping you tackle your IGCSEs starting in Year 10. Enjoy a well earned rest this summer!

-Mr Christopher Brown



ANASTASIA UPOROVA



ANNABELLE PRENTICE



ETHAN HUMENIUK



HANNAH SNYDERS







JIAYING SUI





KIRA KAVTARADZE





## YEAR 9 BLUE





SAMANTHA GILL

This year has been one of the most unique years that we as teachers have had to experience, but furthermore for students. To see the pupils of Year 9 blue grow into young adults over the past two years has been fantastic and every day they fill me with laughter. One particular PSHE sticks in my mind where Jess, NaeNae and Noey tricked me into thinking 1+1=3 with their clever mind games. Needless to say they have never let me forget it - thank goodness I teach Art and not Maths. I look forward to more of this next year!

-Ms Samantha Gill



ALYSSA ZUBER



**BENJAMIN EDMUNDS** 



**BURASET THINKOHYAO** 



DARRYL JONES







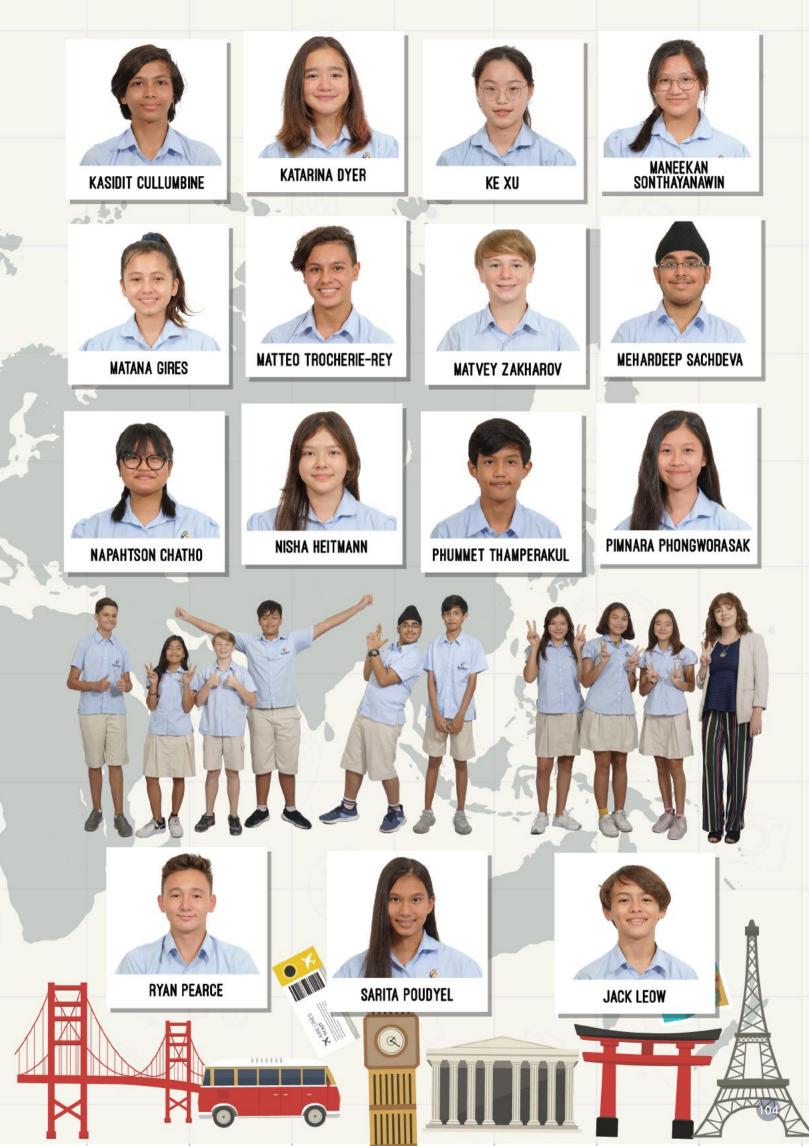
**HYUNJI LEE** 



**JESSICA RICH** 



KAIQI AN





## YEAR 9 WHITE





NATASHA SETHI

Year 9 White, you're quite the sight. Thoughtful, bold and inquisitive, Curious eyes, not quite attentive. It has been a roller coaster year, We stand with a little fear, But must remember to celebrate success with a BIG cheer.

-Ms Natasha Sethi



**BOODIN BATTLE** 



**CHARLES CALLENS** 



CHAYATORN CHUSANG



DIANA VOIGT











**FEIFAN PENG** 



FLEUR MASSON SAUTER

























































### Year 10 Yellow

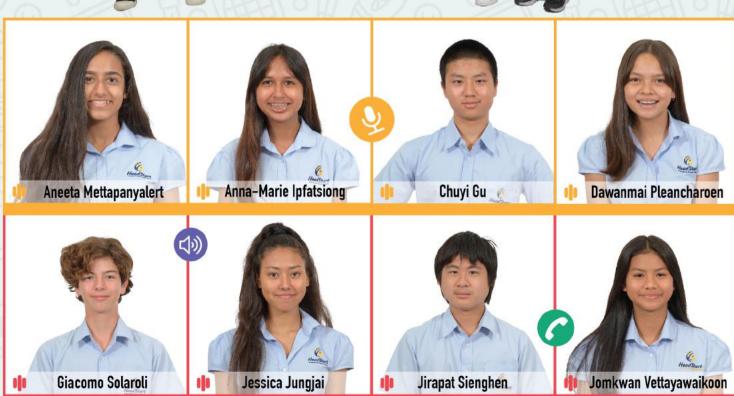




Year 10 Yellow, I could not have been matched with a better homeroom for my first year at Headstart. I have enjoyed getting to know your personalities, which have shone through even in the sleepiest time of your school day. Your mornign greetings never fail to cheer me up. Thank you for being such an easy group of students to work with. Good luck in Year 11, I expect I will see greatness from you all in your next steps at this school.

-Ms Sara Wilson













#### Year 10 Blue





Year 10 Blue... \*clears throat\* - You're simply the BEST, better than....... Okay - that's enough of me trying to do my best Tina Turner impression. I'll don my serious hat for a few seconds as I want to thank you for being such a wonderful homeroom. It's been lovely getting to know each and everyone of you. Although this year has been full of challenges, you've all been able to overcome them. The grit, tenacity, and perseverance I've witnessed, particularly during recent times, has just been remarkable. I wish you all the best as you prepare for the new challenges that await in Year 11.

-Mr Ashley Paice





























## Year 10 White





Although this has been a crazy year, I'm glad all of you had so many great experiences to share early on. Whether that was HOUSE QUIZZZ or competing against each other on Fridays, you always got on well and had fun in Homeroom. You welcomed new students to our homeroom and made them feel comfortable, you've made new friends, learnt new subjects you've never taken before and started studying for the most important year of your lives – your IGCSE's! Hopefully you have been working hard at home and that should give you a 'Headstart' to Year 11. Thanks for being the best homeroom and good luck with the next year!

-Mr Ross Armstrong













### Year 11 Yellow





Yelleven, you showed commitment to work from the very get go this important year. You deserve praise. You made every day 'count'. You all deserve success this summer. I have taught Business to most of you this year and I look forward to welcoming many of you back into "our room" next year for A Level. Yelleven, you gave me a good start to every HeadStart day. I won't have a homeroom again due to timetable commitments next year. Just as well. Who could possibly replace you lot? Good luck as you go onto the next stage of what, for all of you, deserves to be a wonderful life. A life that will count. -Ms Charlie Crowther







## Year 11 Blue



Jinnaphop Prattranasanti



Congratulations to Year 11 for completing your IGCSE's. It was an absolute pleasure to have you as my first homeroom class. You have overcome some tough challenges this year with maturity, intelligence and compassion. Whether you are staying on at HeadStart for A Levels or moving on I wish you every success in the future.

-Ms Jody Leow

Gemma Brain



**Harry Darton** 

**Esther Herbold** 





















## **Year 11 White**





Thanks to all of you for your hard work this year. You have all regularly kept me entertained in homeroom with your good humour and I hope that your final IGCSE year has been rewarding a fruitful one. I wish you every success in your final exams and in whatever you choose to do in the future.

-Mr Patrick Brown















# Year 12 Yellow





Year 12 Yellow, it's been a pleasure, the year that's passed is hard to measure. We started live, but now we're distant Living in a world that's not consistent. But you've got mettle, you've got guts, Keep going strong, no ifs or buts! I'll see you next year as Year 13s, If not, all the best for the rest of your teens.

-Mr Richard Cramp









#### Year 12 Blue





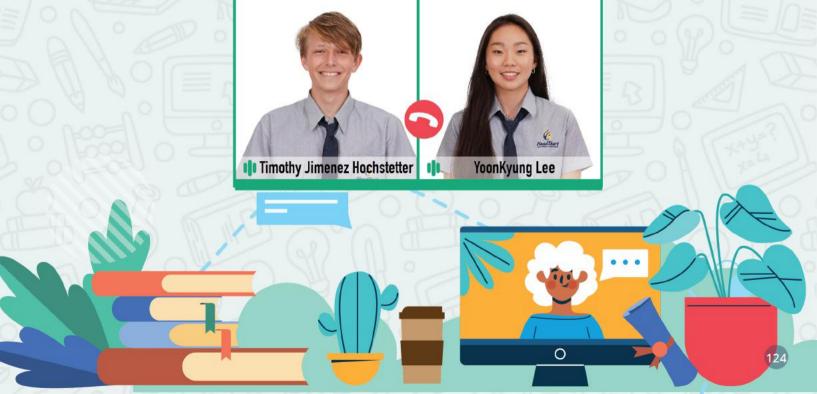
Year 12 Blue, thank you for such a warm welcome to HeadStart this year. You are a wonderful homeroom and I have enjoyed getting to know you all. As you enter your final year at HeadStart, I wish you so much luck. It will be such an exciting and crucial time in your lives, and I know you are all going to work hard, so that you can achieve your goals once you have left school. Remember to work hard, play hard and be kind.

-Ms Yardenna Jones









ELLIE LEAMON

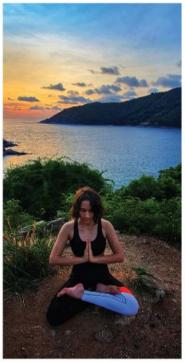
CONGRATULATIONS ON COMPLETING YOUR
A-LEVELS. YOU HAVE ALL WORKED TREMENDOUSLY
HARD. I REALLY DO WISH FOR YOU ALL THAT YOUR
LIFE BECOMES ALL THAT YOU WANT IT TO BE, THAT
YOUR DREAMS STAY BIG AND YOUR WORRIES STAY
SMALL. TAKE ALL OPPORTUNITIES THAT COME
YOUR WAY AND KEEP ON WORKING HARD TO MAKE
SURE YOU ARE PREPARED TO TAKE ON THOSE
OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE GREATEST OF SUCCESS.
I HOPE YOU ALL ACHIEVE GREAT FULFILLMENT IN
WHICHEVER AVENUES YOU TAKE IN YOUR FUTURES.
-MS ELLIE LEAMON





ALEXANDER ROGERSON "YOU MAKE 100% OF THE SHOTS YOU DON'T MISS." -JULIUS CAESAR









ANASTASIIA GALANTCEVA I WANT TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO HEADSTART FOR BEING MY SECOND FAMILY. THIS SCHOOL HAS BEEN MY HOME FOR 3 YEARS, AND EVERY MOMENT SPENT HAS SHAPED ME INTO THE PERSON I AM TODAYTHANK YOU.



**ALEXANDRE PRAVIN** "CHECK MY SOUNDCLOUD: RESULT"





SASIPORN KIATMONTRI WHAT A YEAR"



ELENA VLADIMIROVA 'IT REALLY DO BE LIKE THAT SOMETIMES Huh





JACK FALLOWS SUBSCRIBE TO PYROCYNICAL







JOHN HATT "HARD WORK PAYS OFF UNLESS YOU'RE Bad." - Kevin Hansen



**ELIZAVETA ZADIRAKO** "TIME HAS BECOME LIKE A CURRENCY IN Today's world and everyone seem to be going broke"

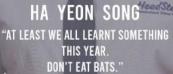








MARC BAEUERLE "NO." - ROSA PARKS







JINNA PHAISAMRAN 'WHAT'S COMIN' WILL COME AND WE'LL Meet it when it does." - Hagrid



THANAPHAT FREDERIKSEN "HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=D-Qw4w9wgxcq secret technique that i USED to get \$100,000 in 5 minutes"



JULIANNA MESTER WHAT I THOUGHT BEING HEADGIRL WAS GOING TO BE LIKE (GAME OF THRONES, SEASON 4, EPISODE 5, 09:57-10:07)





VERONIKA KUNGURTCEVA "WHEN'S THE DEADLINE FOR THIS?"

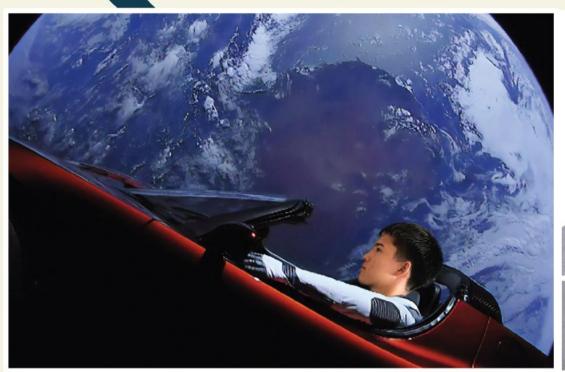


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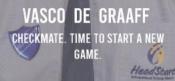




SERENA PAYNE Heads "SUCCESS IS GOING FROM FAILURE TO FAILURE WITHOUT LOSS OF ENTHUSIASM" - WINSTON CHURCHMAN









I remember all of my graduating classes fondly, but there is no doubt that the class of 2020 will always hold a special place in my heart. As COVID became all the world talked about, Year 13 quietly got on with it, wrestling their way through one of life's major transitions with more dignity and strength than most adults around them. The bravery and resilience they have shown reinforces for me what I already knew, but it's so nice to be able to say it to them as I say goodbye. You are amazing, and whilst I am sure this will not be the last challenge you will face in your lives, I know that you will thrive and succeed in the future, no matter what it throws at you. I want to thank everyone in Sixth Form, students and teachers, for a wonderful year. Particular thanks to Kru Gem, Vasco and Julianna who have enthusiastically got on with running Sixth Form whilst politely letting me think I'm in charge. We couldn't have got through the year without you!!! -Ms Gemma Caines



#### IGCSE ART GALLERY







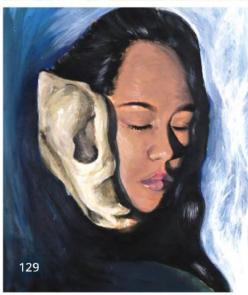








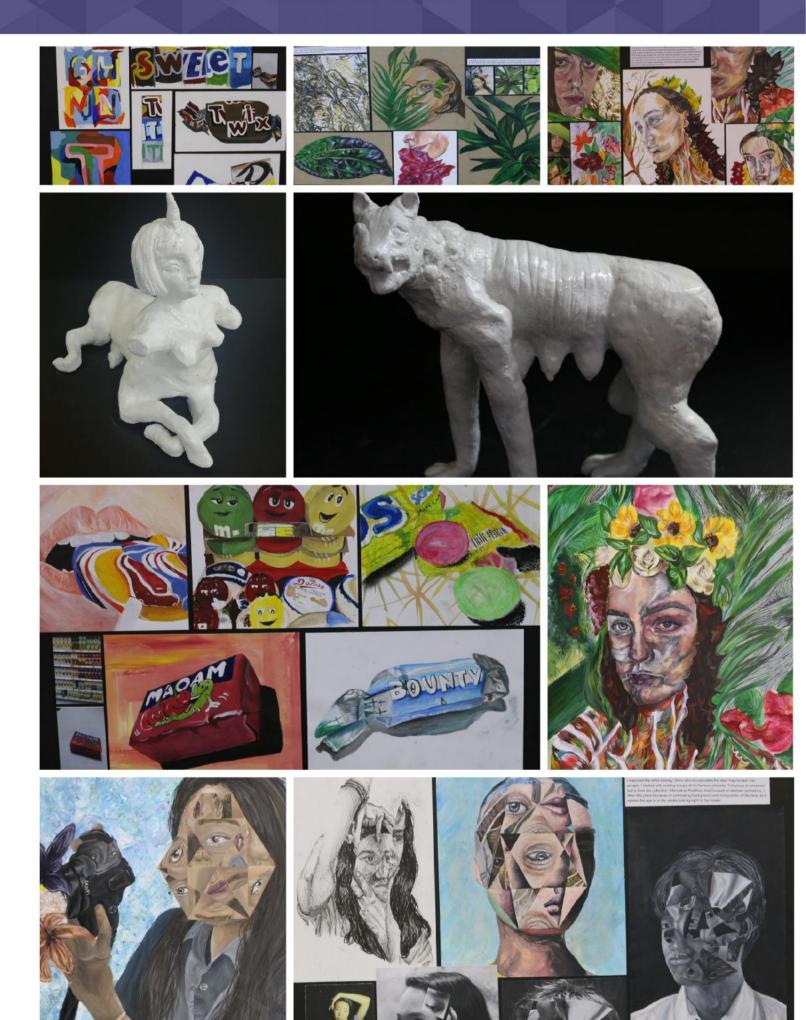


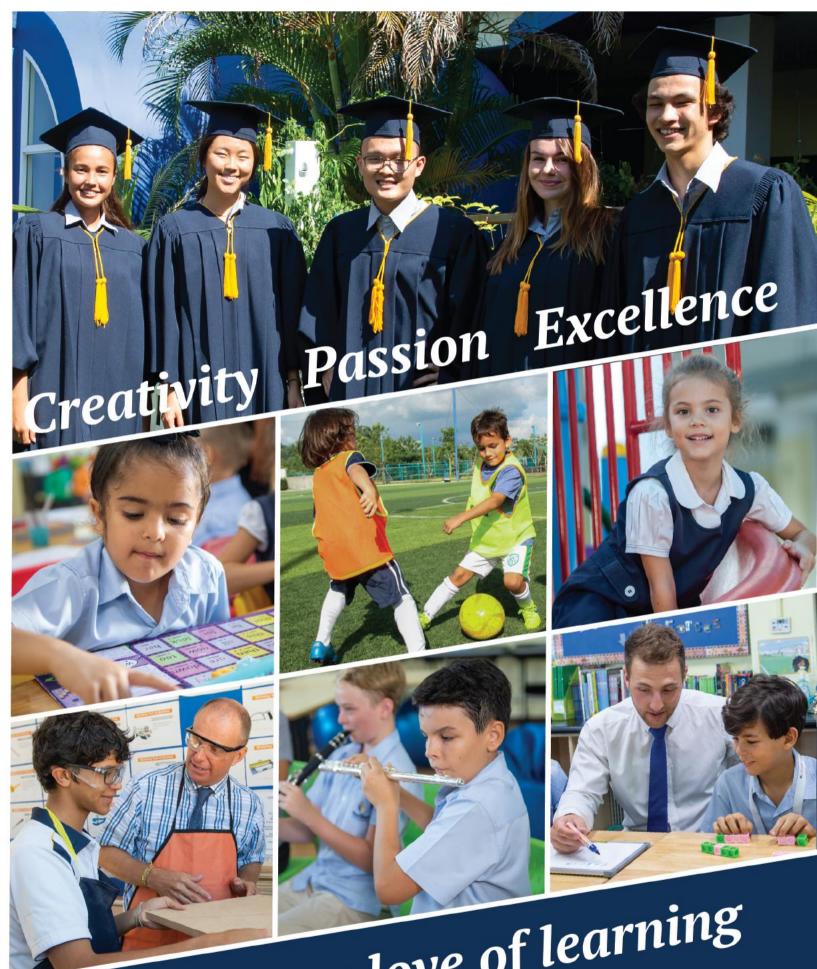






#### A LEVEL ART GALLERY





Inspiring a love of learning