



## “Better Education For Brighter Future”

### February is a month to celebrate love and friendship

The month of February is named after Februa, a Roman purification festival during which people were ritually washed and offerings were made to the Roman gods to atone for mistakes. February is also a month for people to communicate love. Millions of people around the globe take part in Valentine's Day on February 14 to appreciate the special people in their lives and to show their loved ones how much they care. Interestingly, Myanmar Union Day to celebrate love and the bonds of friendship between all ethnic groups in the country falls on February 12.



Februa Festival



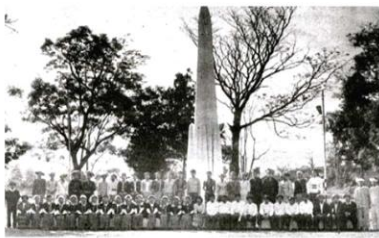
Union Day Feb 12



Valentine's Day Feb 14

### Pin Lone (Pang Long) Agreement

General Aung San, leader of the interim Burmese government under British rule, tried to engage all ethnic minority groups in Myanmar in his quest for Myanmar's independence from British colonialists. He met with 20 ethnic leaders on February 12, 1947 in the town of Pin Lone in Southern Shan State and signed the Pin Lone Agreement to pledge their commitment to work together to gain independence from the British. The anniversary of this historic day is celebrated annually as Myanmar Union Day. Because of this agreement and show of national unity, the British finally granted independence to Myanmar.



### Field Trip to the National Museum

In the spirit of Myanmar Union Day, ISE students visited the National Museum on Friday, February 13 where they not only learned about the cultures of Myanmar ethnic groups but also learned about the history of Myanmar Kings, Myanmar languages, Myanmar gemstones, pre-historic & ancient civilizations, ASEAN and so much more.





Older students were paired with younger students to foster leadership skills in the older ones while younger students benefitted from the guidance of more experienced peers, creating a positive learning environment where both age groups can learn from each other and strengthen social skills.

## ISE Science Fair

The first ISE Science Fair took place on February 28. Befittingly, it was also a unique day of a planetary parade with seven planets in our solar system (Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune) somewhat aligned and all visible in the night sky. A similar planetary alignment will occur in late October 2028.



Through the process of designing and conducting an independent scientific experiment (or creating display boards), students deepened their understanding of scientific concepts learned in class and gained hands-on learning experience where they can practice research skills, critical thinking, problem solving, communication and time management.



Fossilization - Y3  
Nyan Bhone San, Kevin, Akari, Moe Yu San



All about Teeth - Y3  
Sai AMM, Aye Nyein, San Bhone, Austin



Food Chain - Y3  
Nicklaus, Ju Ju, Yoon



Materials & their Properties - Y3  
Tiffany, La Yaung



Vertebrates & Invertebrates - Y3  
Grace, Hazel, Thwe Thit, Harry, Zwe Wai Yan, April, Kyi Phyu





Solar System, Water Power,  
Volcano & Green House - Y4  
Leo, Steven, Ivan1



Water Filtering and Electric Merry-Go-Round - Y4  
Sandy, Oliver, Nico, Nadi, Mike



Volcano - Y5  
Marshall, Elizabeth, Kara, Nitthia  
Engyin, Yoon, Koo Khit, Kirsten



Periscope project - Y5 All  
Seeing and Reflecting using mirrors



Hydro Power Fan - Y5  
Adam, Peter, Sam



Oobleck & Electric Circuit - Y6  
Susan, Luna, Trish, Nyx



Balloon-powered Car - Y6  
Arkar, David



Electric Wire Game - Y6  
Zachary, Jack, William



Dry Ice Boo Bubble Experiment - Y6  
Htawara, Nathan



Water Cycle - Y6  
Riana, Bhone Pyae Sone Hlaing



Display Boards – Y6



Generating electricity from a Potato - Y7  
Thurein, Sai, Tristan



Red Cabbage PH Indicator - Y7  
Phaw Wai, Ruby, Ashley



Display Boards – Y7



Mayow's Experiment - Y8  
Thomas, Tony, Avery



Carbon Cycle - Y8  
Bella, Lia, Fiona

### Mayow's Experiment - Y8

A part of the air (oxygen) is used up during burning and breathing. The water level rose because the used-up air was not replaced. This helps us understand that air is not just one gas but a mixture.

### Carbon Cycle - Y8

The carbon cycle is the process of how carbon moves through the air, land, water, and living things.

1. Plants take in carbon dioxide ( $\text{CO}_2$ ) from the air during photosynthesis.
2. Animals eat plants and get carbon in their bodies.
3. Animals and plants release  $\text{CO}_2$  when they breathe (respiration).
4. Dead plants and animals decompose, returning carbon to the soil and air.
5. Burning fossil fuels (like coal and oil) releases extra  $\text{CO}_2$  into the air.

This cycle keeps Earth's carbon balanced and supports life.

### Assessment 4 Tests

ISE students are regularly assessed to make sure that they will be ready for the end of year final exams in March. Assessment 4 tests on all subjects took place from February 5-7. Top 5 scoring students from each year level were rewarded with chocolates from the principal.

### Top 5 scoring students

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| <b>Year 1</b><br>1st Thant Thiha Htun<br>2nd Pyae Phyo Thant<br>3rd Thiha Bhone Htet<br>4th Thuta Nyan Htet<br>5th Myat Thaw Naung    | <b>Year 2A</b><br>1st Pyone Lae Thakhin<br>2nd Thit Phue Phue Phway<br>3rd Kyaw Thukha Shan<br>4th Thet Thurein<br>5th Han Win Thant | <b>Year 2B</b><br>1st Min Khant Ti Kyi<br>2nd Toe Htet Shan<br>3rd Seint Yati Htun<br>4th Khant Lin Thant<br>5th Sut Myo Du     |
| <b>Year 3</b><br>1st La Yaung Htet<br>2nd Yoon Thiri Myat<br>3rd Aung Pyae Thet Paing<br>4th Hay Man Kyaw Zin<br>5th Phone Myat Khant | <b>Year 4</b><br>1st Wutt Hmone Phoo<br>2nd Htet Oo Ko<br>3rd Lin Wai Yan Khant<br>4th Noreen Thant Htet<br>5th Hsu Yoon Nandra Tun  | <b>Year 5</b><br>1st Thukha Khun Sack<br>2nd Seng Ning Jar Htet<br>3rd Engyinn Myat<br>4th Myat Min Khant<br>5th Tun Naing Aung |
| <b>Year 6</b><br>1st Htut Bhone Naing<br>2nd Thant Htoo Thiha<br>3rd Kyi Yati Tun<br>4th Htin Linn<br>5th Thant Yunn Yunn Htet        | <b>Year 7</b><br>1st Yu Thanthar Khin<br>2nd Naw Phaw Wai Thaw Naing<br>3rd Samn Yamone Nati                                         | <b>Year 8</b><br>1st Aung Khant Min<br>2nd Amara Cho<br>2nd Thint Myat Hein<br>3rd Hein Thant Zin                               |



## Brain Food - New library books

Reading is crucial for young students as it builds vocabulary, creates imagination, enhances comprehension skills, critical thinking and general understanding of the world around them. New arrivals in the ISE library created excitement and curiosity.



## Street Basketball Tournament

Go Tigers!

ISE Tigers Basketball team competed in “The Appeton Myanmar Street Basketball Tournament 2025” on February 22 & 23 at SKT International School Riverside Campus. It was their first ever competition battling against 17 other teams in the under 14 age-group from other international schools. They practiced hard and played the games as best as they could under short notice. The newly minted team was formed in early February with Tony from Y8, Thurein from Y7, William, Jack, Nathan, Zachary & David from Y6 and Daisuke from Y5. They were later joined by Tristan from Y7 as a backup. They practiced hard with Coach Tr Zin Mar Htun for only 3 weeks.

Even though the team was new this year and lacked the skills, they played fiercely. The experience they had was unforgettable. We are sure they'll step up and be ready for next year!



## February Birthdays



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|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Thiha Htet Zan       | (KG)     | 7.2.2020  |
| Khin Phoo Thit       | (Year 2) | 2.2.2018  |
| Thet Thurein         | (Year 2) | 2.2.2018  |
| Kaung Thu Akan       | (Year 2) | 26.2.2018 |
| Phoo Myat Than Thar  | (Year 2) | 21.2.2013 |
| Khant Pyae Phyo Htut | (Year 3) | 8.2.2016  |
| Akar Kyaw            | (Year 3) | 28.2.2016 |
| Annt Min Htet        | (Year 3) | 21.2.2016 |
| Bhone Thit Htoo      | (Year 5) | 3.2.2012  |



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