



“Better Education For Brighter Future”

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October is filled with important days that highlight various social, cultural and health issues. At ISE, we try to observe such important days to promote awareness and encourage students to learn about the world around them. We often ask our students to think, research, plan and explain ideas in their own words through writing and discussion.

World Teachers' Day

We started off the month honoring World Teachers' Day on October 5 to show appreciation for the work of teachers around the globe. Selected ISE students and teachers attended the World Teachers' Day event held by the Ministry of Education and joined in the celebrations.



Mid-Year Exams

ISE students took their mid-year exams from October 1-4 for the minor subjects (Myanmar Studies, World Around Us, History and Geography) and from October 7-10 for the major subjects (English, Math, Science, ICT).



Outstanding Pearson Learner Award (OPLA)

ISE was thrilled to learn that one of our students, Aung Kant Min (Avery), demonstrated academic excellence and received the highly sought OPLA award for the “Highest Mark in Myanmar” in the May/June 2024 Pearson Edexcel iPrimary Computing exam. The OPLA award ceremony will take place on December 14 at the Park Royal Hotel when Pearson representatives will honor Aung Kant Min and other outstanding learners from Myanmar, top achievers among thousands of students from 750 schools in 82 countries who sat for the Pearson Edexcel exams in the 2023/24 academic year. Congratulations, Avery! We are so proud of you.



Thadingyut

Thadingyut Festival, also known as the Myanmar festival of lights, is held at the end of Buddhist Sabbath to symbolically welcome the Lord Buddha's descent back to earth from heaven after preaching the Abhidhamma (higher Dhamma) to his mother Maya who was reborn there. During Thadingyut, young people pay respects (gadaw) to their parents, teachers and elderly relatives. In return, the elder ones wish them good luck and gift pocket money or presents.



To celebrate Thadingyut, the streets, homes and public buildings are decorated with colorful lights and candles, and lined up with colorful stalls selling foods and fun items. On October 11, ISE lit up candles and simulated a Thadingyut Bazaar where our students actively sold various snacks, drinks, toys, stationery, etc., and had a great time gaining real life business experience.



Students learned about the history of Thadingyut and gave presentations. They also gave respects (Gadaw) to their teachers and asked forgiveness for any misbehavior. The teachers gave blessings and snacks to their pupils. ISE also held an art contest for students to draw and paint their imagined pictures of Thadingyut. Winners were awarded with fun toys and stationery.





ISE Day Out

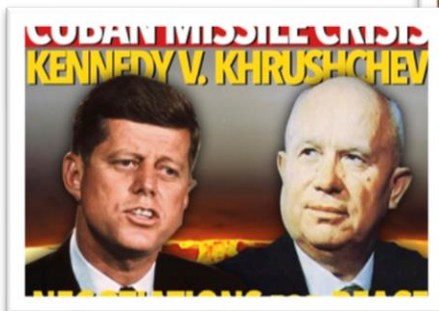
On Monday October 14, ISE students and teachers had a fun day out together at Bounce Space (Years 1-4) and WOW Sports Complex (Years 5-8) before Thadingyut holidays began. What a memorable and fun day it was!



United Nations Day

Every October 24, the United Nations Day is celebrated all over the world to commemorate the creation of the UN in 1945 after the Second World War by 51 countries committed to maintaining international peace and security, developing friendly relations among nations and promoting social progress. There are currently 193 member states in the United Nations today. ISE invited Daw SuSu ThaTun, Senior Advisor to the UN Office in Myanmar, to speak with our students about the United Nation's incredible mission around the world and to discuss important topics like rights, responsibilities and peace.





Students also learned about the great U Thant, a humble citizen of Myanmar who became the Secretary General of the United Nations and played an important role in preventing a world war between the United States and USSR in 1962 during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Our students asked many thought-provoking questions and showed genuine interest in world affairs. Here is to fostering a new generation of knowledgeable, compassionate and responsible global citizens!

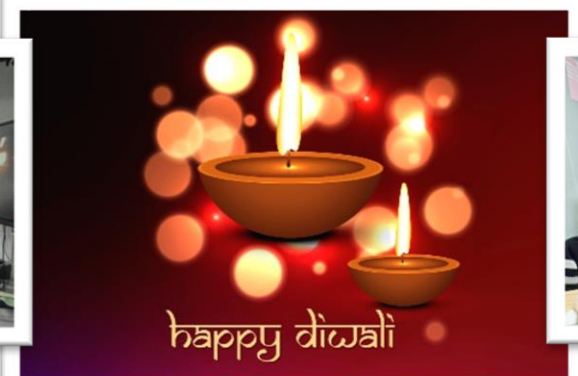
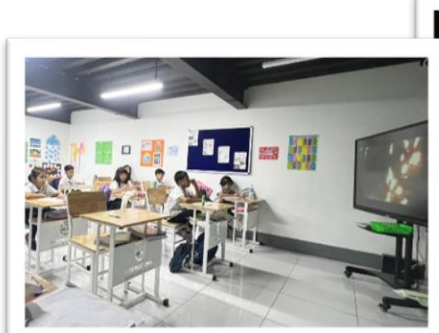
Report Card Day/Parent Day

Parents' Meeting Day was held on October 25 to discuss the students' mid-year results and to make plans to provide additional support where necessary. This day offered a good opportunity for parents to connect with teachers, review the students' works and learn about upcoming activities and plans for the rest of the year.



Diwali Day

ISE appreciates and respects all cultures and religions. In June, we acknowledged "Eid al-Adha" (Feast of Sacrifice), one of the most important festivals for Muslims. Earlier in the month, we celebrated "Thadingyut" (Myanmar Festival of Lights) to welcome Buddha back to earth. This week, ISE welcomed "Diwali" (Deepavali), a major Hindu festival of lights symbolizing the spiritual victory of light over darkness, good over evil and knowledge over ignorance.



Book Character Day

ISE declared October 31 (Halloween Day) as Book Character Day and asked students to dress up as their favorite characters from books and movies. Everyone had a fantastic time walking down the red carpet, acting like their beloved characters and bringing their favorite stories to life. Their beaming smiles and amazingly creative outfits made this day an extra special one.



ISE Founder U Kyaw giving treats



Reception



Year-1



Year-2



Year-3



Year-4



Year-5



Year-6



Year-7 & 8

Art



Music



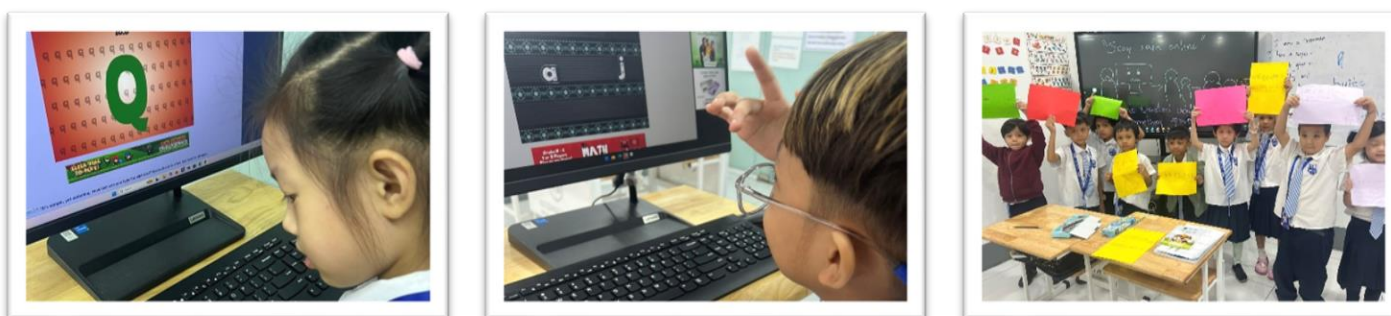
Library



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



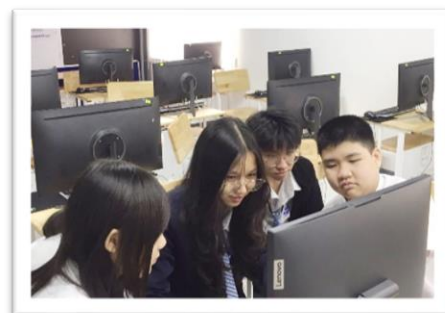
Year 5



Year 6



Year 7 & 8



ISE Badminton Team



The U-13 Youth Badminton Friendship League for students from various international schools in Yangon continues at WOW Sports Complex.



October Birthdays



Zwe Thuta	(Reception) 29.10.2019
Ye Myint Myat Aung	(Year 1) 7.10.2017
May Thoon San	(Year 1) 11.10.2018
Kyle Nixon	(Year 2) 9.10.2017
Paing Moe Myint Thu	(Year 2) 12.10.2017
Aye Myat Zin	(Year 3) 17.10.2016
Engyin Myat	(Year 5) 3.10.2009
Samn Yamon Nadi	(Year 7) 26.10.2012

