

BANGKOK PATANA SCHOOL

PARENT TEACHER GROUP

FOR ALL BANGKOK PATANA PARENTS



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2023/24

Term 1

PTG Newcomers Get Together

WELCOME



Chris Chan Ebrahim
Newcomers
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I was born and raised in Macau with a touch of Portuguese, Hong Kong, British & India. Our family of 5 has been living in Thailand for 11 years, and this is our fifth year in Patana. We enjoy our life in the Patana parents community, and our kids are in Year 3, 5 & 7.

My favourite place in Bangkok is the city itself as you experience and explore new places every week, and its always something different.

Patana is my home.

Chris Chan Ebrahim



Session I

Senior School Leaders

Meet Up



MATT SEDDON
Secondary
Principal



SARAH MCCORMACK
Primary
Principal



HELEN THEW
Cross Campus
Principal



CRAIG WHITE
Business
Director



RACHEL JONES
Head of
Admission



CHERYL REGO
Head of
Development,
Marketing, Alumni



ALICE CURWOOD
Cross Campus
Assistant Principal



Pao Pao

Vice Chairperson & Cross-Campus Representative
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I was born and raised in Thailand. I'm half Thai-Taiwanese; our kids are in Year 6 and Year 1. It's our third year at Patana, and I have recently joined the PTG and sincerely hope that my experience in business administration and management could play a valuable contribution to the development of the Patana Community.

My favourite place to escape the city: We love going to our farmhouse in Pak Chong and enjoy the quiet and modest lifestyles outside of the city.

Session II

Pao Pao VICE CHAIR



Safy Rizk

Chairperson & Tiger Shop
Manager
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I am Egyptian, moved to BKK .
years ago from Saudi Arabia.
I have 2 kids in Year 6 and Year 5.
I worked in a major TV group in
Dubai (MBC) as an Acquisition
Supervisor for 6 years. This is my
4th year running the Tiger Shop
and 2nd year as the PTG Chair.
Patana is my home away from
home.

My favourite place in Bangkok
is anywhere with good Tom Yum
and Pad Thai.



Chris Huang

Secretary
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I grew up in the Los Angeles
metropolitan area but spent the
years prior to Bangkok in the
suburbs of Washington D.C. Our
family has been in Thailand for
eight years, and I have a son Milo
in Year 4 and Ronan in Year 2.

My favourite place in Bangkok
is Ortakor Market where I can get
some of the freshest fruit in
Bangkok.



**Rapeepan (Pook)
Sapayanon**

Treasurer
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I have two kids in Patana. My
Payton is in Year 10, and Aidan .
in Year 8. This is our 12th year at
Patana. I have been involved with
PTG as treasurer for more than 5
years. I love to run and have been
an active member of the PTG
Running Club.

My favourite place in Bangkok is
around Bangkok's old town. I love
to take photographs of ancient
temples and old buildings.
Strolling around old towns
teaches me about Thailand's
beautiful history and culture.





**Ratchadaporn
Parinyanusorn
(Soreda)**

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Our family has been at Patana for three years now. My daughters Mona is in Year 5 and Lisa in Year 1 and we love Patana. If there is anything I could help with, please do not hesitate to let me know.

My favourite place in Bangkok is Or Tor Kor Market, I love spending my time here during the weekends.



**Sneha Rebecca
Mathew**

Communications
Coordinator
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I grew up in India and lived in Hong Kong for eight years before moving to Bangkok. This is our 7th year in Patana, and my kids are in Year 7 and Year 4. Love the vibrant, helpful community here at Bangkok Patana.

My favorite place to escape the city is Koh Samed. Beautiful, pristine sea, my family enjoys spending time at the beach.



PARENT TEACHER GROUP



OUR MISSION

The Patana Community

The Parent Teacher Group (PTG) is comprised of volunteers from the parent community. The PTG's purpose is to:

- Assist in the school's development
- Foster goodwill amongst parents, teachers and friends of the school.
- Promote a sense of community

DEVELOP THE SCHOOL

80+ PTG Representatives

The PTG is one of the main non-academic links between parents and the school. There are:

- PTG Executive Committee and Sub-Committee
- Year Group Representatives
- Country Representatives—there are over 40 countries represented

GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Support PTG

All funds from PTG sales, like from the Tiger Shop and Events, goes back to supporting the Patana Community through Patana Sponsorships (CAT Club, Y13 Graduation gifts) Patana Community grants & workshops. Your contributions goes back to helping the Patana Community grow.

FOSTER GOODWILL

Home Away From Home

Whether it is International Day, Big Night Out or bringing experts to speak at a workshop, the PTG organizes a wide range of projects and events. An example of just some of the PTG activities for parents are coffee Mornings, Morning Yoga, Running Club, English Conversation and Social Tennis for Parents. We aim to bring parents and the wider Patana community together.

WE ♥ VOLUNTEERS

Join Us

Are you looking to help make a difference at school? Do you have a special skill that can benefit others? Would you like to meet other parents? Are you passionate about making Patana a better place? Then PTG needs you! Contact us at ptg@patana.ac.th





TIGER SHOP



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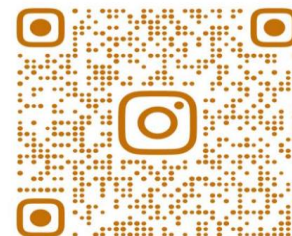
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Getting Wet?
Stay dry with a
Patana Umbrella

Available in small or large, both
with sun-safe lining

Get yours in the
PTG Tiger Shop!



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Session III

Chris Sammons
HEAD OF SCHOOL



Q&A with Head of School **CHRIS SAMMONS**





Session IV

NEWCOMERS

MEET UP



Suggested questions:

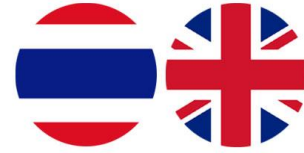
- ✓ How are you?
- ✓ How many kids do you have?
Which year group/s are they in?
- ✓ How long have you been in Thailand?
- ✓ What is your favourite food, beverage? Restaurant in BKK?
- ✓ What is your favourite travel destination in Thailand?
- ✓ Where are you from?
- ✓ Do you play any sports?
- ✓ If you could travel back home in the summer, where did you go?
- ✓ Do you know the first holiday weekend is Sept 15? What are you planning to do?
- ✓ Etc...



Session V

PARENT ACTIVITIES

Language Corner



Topics based Thai Class

Mon 8-9am

PTG Room or CON404, by Na & Pao

Starting 4th Sept



THAI CLASS



Date	Topic
Sept 4	Self Introduction
Sept 12	Schools
Sept 18	Feelings
Sept 25	Hospital
Oct 2	Direction
Oct 9	Transportation
Nov 6	Going Out
Nov 13	Food
Nov 27	Holidays
Dec 4	Thai Holidays
Dec 11	Year End Party

Language Corner



English Conversation - Thu 8-9:30am

PTG Room, by Robert & Chris H

Starting 7th Sept



ENGLISH





Badminton Social

- Every Tuesday & Thursday
- 8:30-10:30 am
- LaSalle 48 Badminton Park
- Lead by Erica & Angela
- 100b/session



BADMINTON





TENNIS ACADEMY

PRIVATE LESSON PRICING & INFO

COACH	BIO & QUALIFICATION	PRICE	CONTACT
 COACH 'DAN'	HEAD TENNIS COACH LTA LEVEL 5 MASTER COACH ** NOT AVAILABLE	N/A	daah@patana.ac.th
 COACH 'GIFT'	FULL TIME COACH PTR PROFESSIONAL LEVEL 3 CERTIFIED ** LIMITED AVAILABILITY	1,500 THB PER HR	thvt@patana.ac.th
 COACH 'BALL'	FULL TIME COACH PTR PROFESSIONAL CERTIFIED ** LIMITED AVAILABILITY	1,500 THB PER HR	pucn@patana.ac.th
 COACH 'MOO'	PART TIME COACH ITF LEVEL 1 CERTIFIED ENGLISH SPEAKING: STRONG Moo has worked at Patana for 20 Years working with selective and team students	1,500 THB PER HR	062-6426355 LINE ID: moo-prangboonyarat
 COACH 'PIE'	PART TIME COACH ITF LEVEL 2 CERTIFIED ENGLISH SPEAKING: STRONG Pie has worked both full time and part time at Patana and his speciality is performance	1,200 THB PER HR	094-4133322 LINE ID: pineonbaku17
 COACH 'RUNG'	PART TIME COACH ITF LEVEL 1 CERTIFIED ENGLISH SPEAKING: NATIVE As an ex Patana student, Rung has returned to school to coach. Although he has only worked at Patana for a year has proved very popular and he is suitable for all level	1,200 THB PER HR	093-9149645 LINE ID: 1257523
 COACH 'JOHN'	PART TIME COACH ENGLISH SPEAKING: SATISFACTORY John has worked at Patana over 20 years and works closely with Coach Gift in the Primary Bengalis and Junior Cubs Program	800 THB PER HR	089-1644029 LINE ID: 0891644029
 COACH 'TANG'	PART TIME COACH ENGLISH SPEAKING: SATISFACTORY Tang has worked at Patana for over 20 years. He is best suited to beginners and improvers at all level	1,000 THB PER HR	065-2565359 LINE ID: tatang5326
 COACH 'DOL'	PART TIME COACH ITF LEVEL 1 CERTIFIED ENGLISH SPEAKING: WEAK Dol has worked at Patana for 15 years and works hard in every lesson. Dol is suitable for all levels and he is very personable and popular.	700 THB PER HR	064-2516416 LINE ID: dolly_007

PLEASE CONTACT THE COACH DIRECTLY TO ARRANGE LESSONS



TENNIS



Cardio Tennis

- Every Wednesday
- 7:30 – 9am
- Tennis Court @ Patana
- Lead by Tennis Academy
- 400b/session




JOIN THE
PTG
RUNNING
CLUB

WEEKLY GROUP SESSIONS
FOR ALL RUNNING ABILITIES


Led by Patana parent:
Simon Chandler
UESCA certified running coach



Running – Friday 8-9am Nong Bon Park
Lead by Simon



RUNNING



Lead by Dance Academy, support by Soreda & Galiya @ BPS Dance Studio



DANCE



Cardio Dance

Every Thursday 8:00– 8:50am

Latin Dance

Every Thursday 9:00 – 9:50am

100b/session



Golf Social

Sept 22nd – Windmill

Oct 27th – GreenValley

Dec 1st – Thana City (Xmas)

Jan 19th – Bang Poo

Feb 9th – Thana City (CNY)

Mar 15th – Muang Kaew



GOLF



Pending:

- Amata Tournament
- Family golf day
- Parent Teacher Tournament
- Tom Dingwell Coaching



Fencing Social

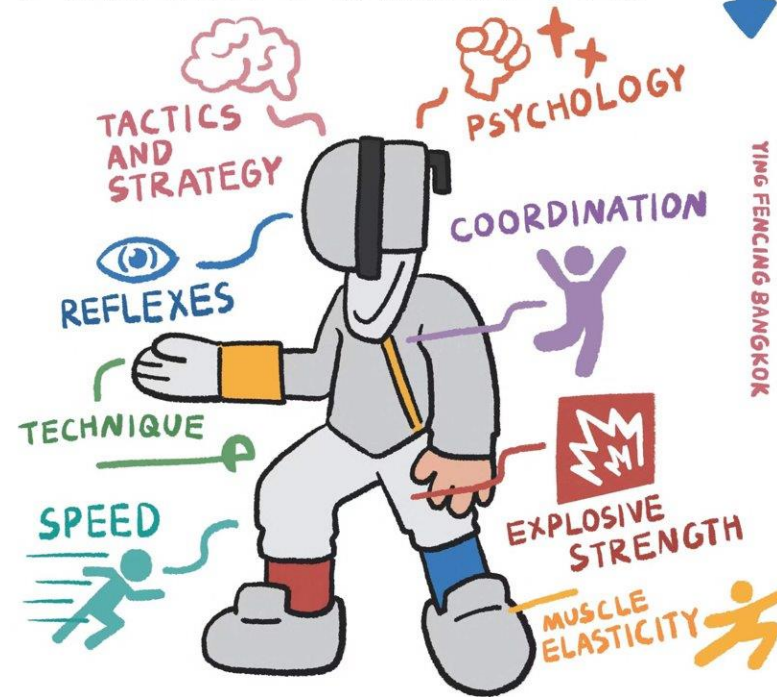
Wednesday 8:30-10am

Lasalle Soi 48 Badminton Park

Lead by Ying Fencing BKK

Starting 13th Sept

FENCING BENEFITS



YING FENCING BANGKOK



FENCING



Sound Bath

Tuesday 8:00-9:00am

BPS Dance Studio

Lead by Rushika

Starting 12th Sept



SOUND BATH



Sound Bath Benefits

- 👑 Helps to release your stress and anxiety
- 🙏 Helps to bring clarity to the mind
- 🕊️ Rejuvenates
- 😊 Calm the emotions
- ❤️ Opens the heart to happiness



Anchal Pathela
Events Coordinator
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I have two boys in Patana, Adryan, in Year 7, and Aaron, in Year 4. I was born and raised in Bangkok, but my family is originally from Japan. I love playing sports, especially badminton, and football!

My favourite place to escape the city is to spend a week in Phuket. I love going out to sea and jumping freely into the ocean!

Session VII

Anchal Pathela EVENTS

Lots of Exciting Events coming up....



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Fun Run --- October 1, 2023

Tiger Spirit Day --- October 4, 2023

Big Night Out (BNO) --- November 11, 2023

International Day --- November 20, 2023

Ploenchit Fair --- November 25, 2023

Christmas Concert --- December 13, 2023

Fun Day --- February 10, 2024





BNO





International Day



Fun, games and activities for the whole family
FOOD & DRINKS • CAROUSEL • EURO BUNGY • POOL FUN
SHOPPING • FLYING TRAP • MUSIC MARATHON
AND MUCH MORE!!

Fun Day 2023

Mar 11th, 2023

Fun Day is one of the biggest events of the School year. The event is coordinated by the PTG with support from School staff. The organizing committee plans games along with other activities, food and beverages, entertainment, raffles, and more. This whole school festival is fun for the entire family!

There is a variety of attractions for the youngest through to the eldest children at the School. Performances from students (and teachers!) on the main stage liven up the field.

Volunteers needed – Vendors needed – Sponsors needed – Talents needed



YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU!



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REPRESENT YOUR COUNTRY FOR INTERNATIONAL DAY
PLEASE CONTACT PTGVICECHAIR@PATANA.AC.TH



Looking for Rep for:
Armenia, Burkina Faso,
Colombia, Costa Rica,
Denmark, Estonia, Iceland,
Kenya, Luxembourg,
Mexico, Mongolia, Norway,
Romania, Saint Lucia,
Sri Lanka





Session V

BRIAN TAYLOR

Assistant Principal

Campus Curriculum Technology Integration

Tech Talk - 1st Tuesday every month

PTG TECH TALK

with BRIAN TAYLOR

Tuesday 5th September
8 AM
2023

PTG TECH TALK #1

with BRIAN TAYLOR

at CON 420

Apps for New Parents:

- In this Tech Talk we will explore the apps and systems used at Patana to support the learning of your child(ren)



SCAN ME

All Member Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, users and trusted adults with the information they need to make informed decisions about online safety with their children, should they wish to engage. This guide is one of our resources to help you do this. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guidance. Some parts may be updated.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about TIKTOK

TIKTOK is a free social media platform that lets users create, share and watch short videos ranging anywhere from 15 seconds to 3 minutes in duration. The app gained popularity for its viral dance trends and celebrity content and can be a creative, fun platform for teens to enjoy. Now available to 75 million users, it's become a social media superpower for its young users (16 and 17-year-olds) and is available to 75 million users under 13 (age bracket). In fact, a 2022 Statista report found TIKTOK to be the most-used social media platform in the following countries: approximately 17-year-olds in the US and 17.

AGE RESTRICTION 13+
(Parents/teachers are advised to restrict access)

WHAT ARE THE RISKS??

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT
While TikTok's "algorithm" feeds only content that you're likely to enjoy, it can still expose children to inappropriate content. For example, users can watch or share videos that contain explicit language, sexual content, or drug use. Additionally, users can be exposed to hate speech and bullying. It's important for parents to monitor their child's TikTok activity and to discuss the risks of sharing personal information online.

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DANGEROUS CHALLENGES
TikTok has been the source of several dangerous challenges, including the "Ice Bucket Challenge" and the "Mannequin Challenge". These challenges often involve users performing potentially harmful acts, such as drinking cold water or holding their breath. Parents should be aware of these challenges and discuss them with their children.

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS
TikTok allows users to connect with other users, even if they are not friends. This can lead to contact with strangers, which can be dangerous. Parents should discuss the risks of interacting with strangers online and encourage their children to only interact with people they know.

IN-APP SPENDING
TikTok has a feature called "Gifts" that allows users to purchase virtual items to send to other users. This can lead to in-app spending, which can be a financial risk for children. Parents should discuss the risks of in-app spending and encourage their children to only purchase items with their parents' permission.

ADDICTIVE NATURE
TikTok's algorithm is designed to keep users engaged for as long as possible. This can lead to addictive behavior, where users spend hours of their day on the app. Parents should discuss the risks of addiction and encourage their children to take breaks from the app.

TIKTOK NOW
Introduced in late 2019, the TikTok app has become a global phenomenon. It has over 1 billion users and is one of the most downloaded apps in the world. Parents should be aware of the app's popularity and the risks it poses to children.

Advice for Parents & Carers

ENABLE FAMILY PAIRING
TikTok offers a feature called "Family Pairing" that allows parents to manage their child's account. This includes setting age restrictions, limiting screen time, and disabling comments. Parents should enable Family Pairing and use these features to protect their child's account.

MAKE ACCOUNTS PRIVATE
Parents should encourage their child to make their TikTok account private. This will limit who can see their videos and interact with them. Parents should also discuss the risks of sharing personal information online.

LIMIT IN-APP SPENDING
Parents should discuss the risks of in-app spending and encourage their child to only purchase items with their parents' permission. Parents can also use the "Family Pairing" feature to limit in-app spending.

DISCUSS THE DANGERS
Parents should discuss the risks of using TikTok with their child. This includes the risks of age-inappropriate content, dangerous challenges, contact with strangers, in-app spending, and addiction. Parents should encourage their child to use TikTok safely and responsibly.

READ THE SIGNS
Parents should be aware of the signs of addiction, such as spending too much time on the app, neglecting school or other activities, and becoming irritable when not on the app. If parents notice these signs, they should discuss the risks of addiction with their child.

Meet Our Expert
Cathy Hogg is an experienced technology journalist with a new account of over 100k followers on Twitter. She is the author of the book "The Digital Parent's Handbook" and a frequent speaker at technology conferences. She is also a member of the National Online Safety team.

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Session X

PTG Primary Reps

PTG Secondary Reps



Apollo Chansrichawla

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I have two kids in Patana. My son Lucas is in Year 8, and my daughter Sophia is in Year 5. This is our eighth year at Patana. I have been involved with PTG in various capacities, such as Fun Day Coordinator and Year Rep for FS1, Year 1, and Year 2. We love Bangkok, and we love Patana!

My favourite activity in Bangkok is dining with my family along the Chaopraya river.



Sharan Hora

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Born and brought up in Thailand, and of Indian descent, I am a proud Patana alumna from the class of 1997. My children, Simran is in Year 11 and Arjan in Year 9. This school feels like home.

My favourite place to escape the city is just a short boat ride across the river, to Bang Krachao, for early morning walks and bike rides.

Primary Year Groups Get-Together



NURSERY	Wed, 25th Oct, CON 420
FS1	Tue, 28th Sep, CON 406
FS2	Wed, 13th Sep, CON 406
YEAR 1	Thu, 7th Sep, CON 404
YEAR 2	Mon, 11th Sep, CON 406
YEAR 3	Tue, 12th Sep, CON 404
YEAR 4	Mon, 4th Sep, CON 406
YEAR 5	Thu, 7th Sep, CON 406
YEAR 6	Thu, 14th Sep, CON 406

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Parents were happy to meet up again at the Year 2 Get Together.



Join your Year group chats to get more detail



Secondary Year Groups Get-Together



Year 7 – Sept 19th

Year 8 – Oct 10th

Year 9 – Sept 28th

Year 10 – Oct 5th

Year 11 – Sept 12th

Join your Year group chats for more information

Stay Connected



FOUNDATION STAGE

PATANA 2023/2024



FSN - Kelly Bao

PATANA 2023/2024



FSI - Pao Ueno

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FS2 - Yuu Srisongkram

PRIMARY YEARS

PATANA 2023/2024



Year 1 - Ashmeet Narula

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Year 2 - Joyce Pau

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Year 3 - Knitting Triyanond

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Year 4 - Maya Hino

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Year 5 - Soreda Parinyanusorn

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Year 6 - Radhika Chawla



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Year 7 - Jane Le

PATANA 2023/2024



Year 10 - Ichha Sehgal

PATANA 2023/2024



Year 12 - Vibeke Herslov

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Year 8 - Sukrita Makhni

PATANA 2023/2024



Year 11 - Sonica Sopory

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Year 13 - Tania Donoghue

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Year 9 - Anchal Gupta

SECONDARY YEARS





Session XI

Newcomers

Meet Up by Year Groups

Nursery, FS, Y1&2, Y3-6, Y7-10





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PTG FACEBOOK



PTG FIREFLY



PTG INSTAGRAM

*The PTG committee members
are here to help,
Just look for the **BADGE!***



PTG *Needs* YOU



Come join us and be part of a greater Patana community that works towards making a positive change for our kids.



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PTG Facebook Group

