



PATANA

Bangkok Patana School

The British International School in Thailand

Established 1957

WELCOME TO

YEAR 6



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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 6.

We hope that the following information will be helpful.

Our mission is to ensure that students of different nationalities grow to their full potential as independent learners in a caring British international community.

We want our students to become active, creative, independent and confident learners. We aim to provide carefully planned and exciting opportunities for learning, enriched by first-hand experiences and matched to the needs of each student.

Regards,

Sarah Dibley
Leader of Learning and Welfare, Y6

Todd Thornback
Leader of Learning and Curriculum, Y6

Alex Lowe
Assistant Leader of Learning, Y6

THE KS2 SCHOOL DAY

Outside areas are supervised from **7:00**.

Students enter their Year group building at **7:30**.

KS2 School Day begins	7:40 a.m.
Break	09:45 – 10:05 a.m.
Lunch	12:10 – 1:00 p.m.
End of day	2:30 p.m.
1st ECA	2:30 – 3:30
2nd ECA	3:30 – 4:30

Extra-Curricular Activities (ECAs)

The ECA programme covers a range of interests including crafts, music, sport and ICT skills. Enrollment details can be found via the Parents' Gateway on the Patana website.

<http://www.patana.ac.th>

END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Bus users:

FS - KS1 are collected and taken to their buses by our Monitors. KS2 students walk to the bus park unsupervised, following a period of transition after starting in Y3.

Car users:

FS – Y3 students are collected from their building.

Y4 – Y6 students may walk to the car park or meet their trusted adult at an agreed location.

Taking students home before the end of the school day

- Parents inform the class teacher in advance.
- The teacher prepares a 'Leaving Early' form.
- Parent/Carer collects the child from the classroom or Primary Office.
- Each child needs a form to give to the guard.

Students being picked up late 2:30 – 4 p.m.

FS – Y3 students are brought to the Primary Office to wait.

Y4 – Y6 students may use the Primary Library until 3:45 and then wait in the Primary Office or near main Reception.

Students being picked up late after 4 p.m.

If there is nobody in the Primary Office, students will be walked or directed to the Main Reception at the front of school.

Y4 - Y6 children picked up from outside school

For your child's safety, please do not ask them to exit the school to either wait for or locate a vehicle.

Please use our car parks and the drop-off/pick-up zones.

KS2 MORNING BREAK AND LUNCH

Nut free Primary School

The Primary canteen and snack bar are 'nut free'. Food items containing nuts will be removed and the parents contacted.

Morning break – 9:45 a.m. until 10:05 a.m.

Milk is provided at morning break. Your child may choose to bring a snack to school or else use credit from their e-purse (Patana Card) to buy a snack or drink at the snack bar.

They should not bring gum or sweets into school.

Lunch Options – 12:10 p.m. until 1:00 p.m.

1. The set lunch programme offers Western and Thai food.
2. Bring a packed lunch. We do not allow students to have 'fast food' meals brought into school at lunchtime.

If your child requires a special diet or has a food allergy, please update their online medical information.

Drinking Water and Drinking Bottles

Students may re-fill their own re-usable water bottle.

Birthday Treats

Children may bring in a special treat to share with the class.

Please contact the class teacher to arrange a suitable time.

- Brownies, cupcakes and individual cake slices are easier for your child to give out.
- Please reduce plastic packaging as much as possible.
- We do not allow party bags or other gifts to be given out at school, either for birthdays, or other celebrations.

UNIFORM and PERSONAL BELONGINGS

Mobile phones

Y6 students bring in their own laptop.

Primary students are not allowed mobile phones.

Smart watches are kept in school bags during the school day.

We will always contact you if there is a problem.

Uniform

All uniform items can be bought from the school shop, except for footwear. Primary students wear white socks and plain black shoes.

Hair and hats

Hair should be neat and conservative in appearance.

Hair longer than shoulder-length should be tied back. Students wear a hat when outdoors.

Jewellery

Religious or medical signifiers may be worn in school.

Jewellery is removed for PE and swimming and earrings can be covered with tape.

PE Kit

PE bag. Blue PE shorts. Grey PE T-shirt. Hat.

Trainers or plimsolls. Football and T-ball units require students to wear football boots, shin pads and long socks.

Swim Days

Swimsuit, towel, goggles, swim hat
Waterproof swim bag.
Flip flops for walking to the pool.

School Bags (optional)

Patana bags, book bags and swim bags are available in the school shop.

Electronics

If parents allow it, music players or electronic games can be brought from home for use after school or on the bus home. These items stay in school bags/lockers during the school day.

Laptops

Year 6 students must bring their laptop into school each day fully charged.

The school takes no responsibility for loss or damage. Students are responsible for keeping their locker secured with a combination lock.

Labelling belongings

All items must be clearly labelled with name and class code.

COMMUNICATION

E-mail and telephone

All staff have an Patana email code. If urgent, please ring the Primary Office or make an appointment to talk with the teacher.

Primary School Office: 02-785 2200 ext. 2258

Year Group Newsletter

Newsletters are shared every Friday afternoon. These contain information about special dates and events within year groups.

Class Blogs

Class blogs can be accessed via the Parents' Gateway.

Patana News

The 'Patana News,' is uploaded every Friday.

SMS Text Messaging

We will sometimes use SMS text messaging to alert parents to important announcements. Please ensure all contact details including mobile phone numbers are kept up to date.

Unavoidable Closure of the School

If a closure is unavoidable, we will notify parents by an SMS message and further information be posted on the school web site.

To maintain learning, teachers will also communicate via class blogs and Microsoft Teams.

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3 - WAY CONFERENCES AND REPORTS

Term 1a: Parent teacher meeting

Term 1b: 3 Way Conferences (parents, student, teacher)

Term 2: Parent teacher meeting

Term 3: 3 Way Conferences (parents, student, teacher)

Written reports are provided in Terms 1 and 3.

The class teacher is your first point of contact for any concerns or queries. We welcome opportunities to discuss your child's needs and progress, but please make an appointment to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Requests from other schools for tests and documentation

If your child's new school requests a letter of recommendation or additional tests, please contact Mr. Peter Taylder, Senior Teacher: Leading Student Progress – peta@patana.ac.th.

There is a charge to cover staffing and invigilation costs.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

We expect our students to:

- Take responsibility for their own behaviour
- Act in a respectful manner towards others
- Reflect on their own actions
- Respect differences
- Learn from their mistakes

We teach and model expectations when we:

- Give clear feedback about acceptable behaviour
- Discuss choices and consequences
- Talk about feelings and respect what others say
- Consistently recognise and praise good behaviour
- Use consistent sanctions to address poor behaviour
- Speak to everyone in a polite and courteous manner

Anti-Bullying Policy

Bullying is unacceptable.

STOP: Several Times on Purpose

Behaviour becomes bullying if it takes place several times on purpose. Bullying is different to occasional mean behaviour or to a friendship fire (falling out with one's friends).

**If you have any concerns about your child's well-being,
please contact the class teacher.**

DEVELOPING INDEPENDENT LEARNERS

We encourage our students to be independent and to think for themselves. It is therefore helpful if your child is able to:

- Recognise their own belongings
- Use a variety of tools and materials at home to draw, write, design and make
- Help pack their own school bag
- Know their weekly schedule, including ECAs
- Help out with tasks at home

Each day:

- Read and share books every day
- Talk with your child about their day
- Encourage and praise their efforts
- Talk about the events and activities in the newsletter or on the class blog.

KS2 RESIDENTIALS: Term 2 2023-24

These visits provide an opportunity for our students to develop independence, self-confidence and self-reliance, to widen their circle of friends and collaborate with others.

An information evening is held in November and an invitation will be sent out closer to the date.

Residential Visits Week 1

Monday 22nd January

Residential Visits Week 2

Monday 29th January

Y3	2 nights	Chonburi (Jomtien Beach)
Y4	3 nights	Hua Hin
Y5	3 nights	Khao Yai
Y6	4 nights	Chanthaburi

For this school year, Y3 Residentials fall on a different date to other year groups.

Year 3 Residentials Week 1

Monday 11th March

Year 3 Residentials Week 2

Monday 18th March



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