



Bangkok Patana School
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To: Parents of children in Year 3
Re: Residential Visit to Varuna Yacht Club, Jomtien – March 2025

Dear Parents,

This letter contains information about the Y3 Residential Visit in March 2025.

There will be a presentation for Y3 parents on Tuesday 21st January starting at 2:45pm. Please save the date. All the key information will also be shared on the Year 3 Residential Blog.

Year 3 classes will be away for two nights, over a period of two weeks.

3L and 3T	Week 1A depart Monday 10th March	Return Wednesday 12 th March
3J and 3H	Week 1B depart Wednesday 12 th March	Return Friday 14th March
3D and 3M	Week 2A depart Monday 17 th March	Return Wednesday 19th March
3C and 3G	Week 2B depart Wednesday 19th March	Return Friday 21st March

Staffing

There will be six Patana staff on each Residential Visit, plus two nurses.

Accommodation and food

The rooms are clean and comfortable with A/C and ensuite bathrooms. The children will sleep in rooms with three or more beds. Teacher rooms are located on each corridor and clearly identified. Additional security guards remain in place overnight.

Meals are buffet style.

There are always vegetarian dishes available, and we check that the food is nut free.

Medical Facility: Pattaya Hospital

This hospital will be ready to receive children in the case of an emergency.

Medications

Medications should be in a sealed container labelled with the child's name, class code and details of the dosage *in Thai and English*. The accompanying nurse will keep medications safe. No child should bring any medicines for self-administration, except for asthma or known allergy relief. Epi-pens and asthma medication will remain in your child's day pack.

Please make sure that the class teacher and nurse know about your child's medical needs.

The Medical Information Form on the Parents' Gateway must be fully completed.
This information will assist us in meeting the medical and dietary needs of all children.

Vaccinations

The school recommends that Tetanus, Hepatitis A and B are up to date. Rabies and Japanese Encephalitis are recommended, and you should talk to your physician if you have concerns.

Insurance information for parents

Insurance costs are included within the overall costs of each Residential Visit. Whilst the school considers this level of cover reasonable and acceptable, parents should satisfy themselves that this level of cover is adequate for their own personal circumstances.

Please note that the medical cover relates to any treatment required as the result of an accident, not as the result of an illness. [This link](#) will take you to our local insurance fact sheet and some further information about insurance cover.

Communication between home and school

One photo per class per day will be posted on the blog, with many more to share when we return.

We do not allow family contact except for birthday phone calls.

Should a problem arise, a member of staff will contact you.

Please check that contact details are up to date and supply two contact numbers for this purpose.

Sample Programme

Day 1

Shared picnic (brought from home)
Orientation/ fire drill / safety talk / pool swimming
Evening activities, story and bedtime

Day 2

Team Challenges and Recreational Activities
Dinner, talent show, story and bedtime

Day 3

Wake up call, final packing
10:00 Departure
Arrive at Patana approximately 12.00 -12:30 pm

NO MOBILE PHONES/ELECTRONICS/SMART WATCHES

If found, these items will be kept by the teacher and returned to the parent.

Valuables and money

Children are responsible for their own valuables.

Y3 students do not require any pocket money.

PACKING LIST: Please label all belongings with name and class code.

Please help your child to pack their small duffel bag or small wheelie case.
Students should be able to identify their own belongings and carry their own bags.

- ❖ 2 pairs of shorts
- ❖ 4 T-shirts
- ❖ 4 pairs of socks
- ❖ 4 pairs of underwear
- ❖ 1 pair of long trousers or jogging pants
- ❖ Sandals/flip flops for beach
- ❖ Trainers or comfortable shoes suitable for all activities
- ❖ One set of smart clothes for dinner
- ❖ Sweatshirt

- ❖ Something to sleep in
- ❖ Swimsuit and towel
- ❖ Plastic bag for dirty laundry
- ❖ Toiletries packed in a toilet bag (including mosquito repellent)
- ❖ Sunglasses and sun cream
- ❖ Reading/puzzle books
- ❖ Comforter for bedtime – teddy bear, blanket etc.
- ❖ Small backpack for journey and picnic
- ❖ Water bottle
- ❖ Face masks/hand gel

Next steps...

- A paper reply slip will be sent home with your child early in Term 2.
- Parents are asked to sign and return the slip as these are required by the Ministry of Education.
- Please visit the Parents' Gateway to check all contact, dietary and medical details.

We hope to see you at the Y3 Residential Presentation on Tuesday 21st January at 2:45pm.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Leighton: Assistant Leader Year 3

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