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## **FUTURE EDUCATORS MADE STIC PROUD**

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#### St Theresa International College ONGRATULATIONS



The 12th World Peace Ethics Contest (World-PEC) 2021 **Examination Results: University Level** 





a seminar on 30-31 January, 2021 and the contest was individual work and homework. held on 14 February, 2021. Participants are students from various universities and colleges.

Objectives of the World Peace Ethic Contest are to promote to young people on basic moral principles that are universal and accessible to people of any race, religion and creed, to install creative potentials in young people by encouraging positive personal qualities in daily lives, leading to a happy environment both in the family and society where he belongs, and to teach young because I have made new friends, gained good people to become well-rounded citizens, so that they can build a successful, happy and peaceful society and nation.

meditation. After the training, we were given some tasks of Education Dean).

World Peace Ethics Club is an organization with a goal to comply: to do UG5, meditation/reflection and group to promote World Peace through basic moral principles. presentation with members from different educational It created many activities in order to build moralities in institutions and submit to the judges. The results of this daily lives. This indeed helps creating Inner Peace contest were from the accumulated exam scores and which leads to true World Peace. It was conducted with participation scores in group work, presentation,

> It was with great pride that STICians received recognitions by joining this event: Miss Jiraporn Parassee (Education Science Year 3) placed 10<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Shisanupong Uppakanwongchai (Education English Year 4) ranked 12<sup>th</sup>, Miss Nanthida Ngapradit (Education Science Year 3) reached the 19th place and I, was the 17<sup>th</sup> placer.

> It is my honor and pleasure to participate in this camp experiences and knowledge that will help me in the future. It was a very rare and rewarding experience to be able to participate in World PEC this year.

We were informed about the benefits and the basis for a March 20th marked the day that the organizing peaceful and lively family: choosing the right partner, committee visited the college to award the certificates to raising the children well, taking good care of ourselves, the winners. Present during the awarding ceremony maintaining cleanliness in accordance with proper were Aj. Dario A. Mando (Department Head, Faculty of hygiene and sanitation (UG5), and how to do Education) and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Suphak Pibool (Faculty

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On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, the Aeronautics year 2 aircraft and simulator aircraft. All of us were very students spent a great day at Sriracha Aviation excited walking around the aviation area. It seemed Kabinburi Campus. accompanied by their professor advisor Ajarn Saran Are these "Forrrrr ReallIlll"? Kumar and Air Chief Marshal Wallop Meesomsup. The day began with some historical background of the aviation shared by the campus staff. We've heard a lot of significant events about the establishment of the institution and all the important details with regards to Moreover, we have seen the real Cessna

The future pilots were that everything came to life right in front of my eyes.

The second year AR students were filled with gratitude for all the acquired information and learning activities they've done during the tour. We have entered into the real world of piloting which inspires us to fulfill our ultimate dream – to fly high.

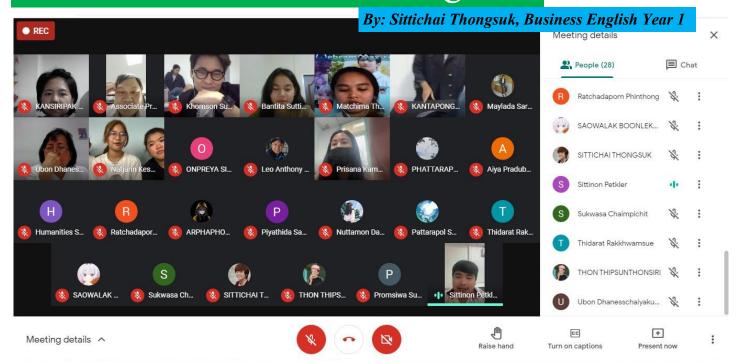


Ltd. located at Don Mueang, Bangkok. The students they won't forget. were accompanied by Air Chief Marshal Wallop Meesomsup and Aj. Praveen Shaju. At the area, the future pilots were informed with some helpful information with regards to aircraft repair and maintenance. Also, the TAI representatives advised the students with some suggestions that could be so much beneficial in their future careers. Moreover, they were notified of how to be a prospect employee of TAI. The

Early this month, the Year 3 Aeronautics majoring whole group felt so much excitement glancing at the students went to the Thai Aviation Industries (TAI), Co. real aircraft in front of them. It was an experience that

> Thai Aviation Industries Co., Ltd. is Thailand's aircraft repair and maintenance service centre. It was established in 2003 after the government announced its desire of making the country the aviation hub of the Asia Pacific region. Currently, TAI is providing maintenance services for military, government agencies and commercial aircraft.

## **HUSO'S POST-ORIENTATION @ GM**



Last Wednesday March 3, the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences had an online post orientation planned and designed for the graduating students majoring in Business English and Communication Arts. The meeting was about how the graduating students secured a job while they're still studying here at St. Theresa International College. Moreover, tips on how they can study effectively and knowledge that they acquired as they have been learning from at STIC for 4 years were shared. Two alumni were invited to share their experiences. One of them was P' Ann who was a B.E. graduate. She said that she got much knowledge and became familiar with many accents when studying in our college. She can communicate effectively because of that. She gave us interviewing tips like what questions are usually asked and how to impress the interviewers. She advised us to be polite at all times when we converse with other people by using "could" and "would" instead of can and will. For example, "Could you please....?" "Would you be able to do....?" etc. She shared that she had a chance to do her internship at Belgium's embassy and had a wonderful time there. She mentioned that she often changes her job every 3 years to travel and to learn new things from new places. In addition, it is also to challenge herself to be a better person and to be able to adjust herself with everyone in diverse situations.

The post-orientation was attended by the faculty dean, vice-dean, CA and BE lecturers and students from different year levels. It was a rare chance but it gave all the Google Meet attendees worthy information.





By: Suphawit Phueakthap, Education English Year 5

As it is mentioned in the curriculum that the bachelor degree graduation for education major is held when the fifth-year students (interns) are evaluated in their one year off-campus teaching and graded. I am now professionalizing my near-future career as someone who is destined to teach and not to be taught. However, what I have said is not actuality because I still have to learn so many things. The world is always changing. Likely, in the current situation that I, as an intern student-teacher, have to teach in a new normal system wherein the students attend their class online. Previously, it was a challenging thing for me but I have worked very hard to deal with online classes. Most assignment, exercise, homework, and quiz are posted online for the students to do. Luckily, I have difficult. There are these moments that I cannot hear experienced and learned so many things in the college before when I was a student from 1st - 4th year. If you are reading this and if you are studying, I suggest you to study and work hard because what you are doing in the present reflects what you could be in the future. The word "New Normal" is not something to be scared of. We just have to accept change when the world changes!

#### By: Onwanya Rungsaeng, Education English Year 5

Due to the world situation now, there are many changes in the educational system in our country. We have to live a new normal life and study in new normal ways. In my case as a student teacher, I can't go to crowded places or travel because I meet hundreds of students each day. I have to take time to adjust myself because I'm not yet a professional in this career. So, I have to think about the new methods and activities in teaching which are appropriate to this situation now. Students cannot sit near each other even though I assigned them to do group work and I also cannot make physical teaching materials because they currently are not usable. Life in the classroom is so hard. We have to wear a mask all the time that makes our breathing a bit my students' answers clearly. But as many people say, "life goes on". I still have to teach them perfectly and make them smile and have fun during this worse situation. I hope our world will overcome this crisis as soon as possible.



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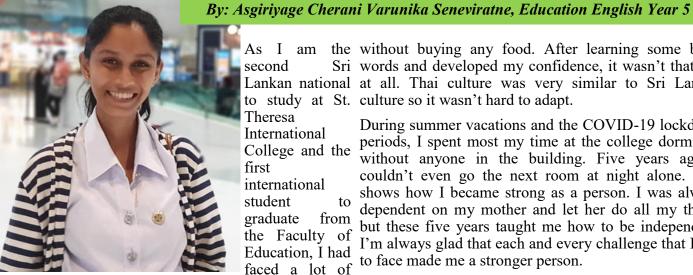


By: Thipakorn Bunkaew, Education English Year 5

It has been ONE year since we have been living our lives in the new normal, likewise in education. Most schools all over Thailand are practicing their new ways of teaching to continue delivering effective learning

processes. My school is doing BLENDED-Teaching which includes both ONLINE and ON-SITE teaching. The students come to school alternately, very different from their usual schedule. When lower level students come, upper level learners stay at home and do online learning. For those who come to study on-site at the school, their classes will be divided into two sections, but they will be studying at exactly the same time with similar contents with the teacher. So, there will be one MAJOR CLASSROOM and another will be a MINOR CLASSROOM. There is so much financial investment from the school with the teaching materials for everyone. As teachers, we find this practice a kind of energy-consuming because we have to work harder. At the end of the day, we are already exhausted. Nevertheless, we are humans who should be able to adjust in every situation in order to survive. I hope that the world situation will be better soon. Stay safe, stay strong and get yourself healthy until we meet the NORMAL once again.

## WHAT A JOURNEY IT HAS BEEN



International College and the international graduate from

me and accepted me the way I am.

incredibly supportive. It was very easy to approach always in my heart. them. Whenever I needed help and motivation, they were there. I have realized that even how good you are at English, if you don't study hard you can't get good grades.

Living in a non- English speaking country is not always great. There were times that I came out of the restaurant

As I am the without buying any food. After learning some basic Sri words and developed my confidence, it wasn't that bad Lankan national at all. Thai culture was very similar to Sri Lankan to study at St. culture so it wasn't hard to adapt.

> During summer vacations and the COVID-19 lockdown periods, I spent most my time at the college dormitory without anyone in the building. Five years ago, I couldn't even go the next room at night alone. That shows how I became strong as a person. I was always dependent on my mother and let her do all my things but these five years taught me how to be independent. I'm always glad that each and every challenge that I had to face made me a stronger person.

challenges. When I came to college on the first day, I My favorite moments were the times I was with my thought it was my last and I even decided to go back to friends. The small room parties, outings, dining my home country. But that very moment when I entered together, swimming in the beach were my favorites. My to my first class, all my classmates warmly welcomed first teaching experience also was in Thai schools. I got me. I was glad and fortunate to be included in that to teach to students who couldn't greet in English. At warmth group of class because they always took care of the end of the year, when they try to express themselves in English, I felt how noble this profession is.

I haven't studied English as the medium of instruction I don't think I will get this experience if I was in Sri nor studied with foreign teachers at high school. So, it Lanka. I had become a totally different person compared was a huge chance for me to study in an international to the day I entered to STIC five years ago. STIC was college. St. Theresa International College teachers were like home to me. The time I have spent here will be

> I would like to take this opportunity to express my warmest gratitude to St. Theresa International College, my ever-supportive lecturers and my fun to be with friends/classmates.

Bohoma Istuti, STICians.

# AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRACTICE LEARNING, A CHANCE TO BE GRATEFUL

By: Patipan Sonsaeng, Education Science Year 5

teaching-training experience For DebsirinklongsibsamPatthumthani School. assigned to teach Grade 9/2-3. It was indeed a year of great experiences. I've learned a lot of administrative tasks such as making student identification booklets. In addition, the teaching materials have been made and improved and project-based teaching activities were organized that put emphasis on students to learn by actions. self-learning has practical Also, conducted in classrooms to develop and encourage students to do projects in schools and to work well with others.

others, complete the assignments and know the project at their esteemed organization. importance of public relations in communicating with We did some community knowledge the public. development by organizing educational boards, organizing and facilitating learning exhibitions and creating a science project. Engaging into several educational activities, the coaching practices displayed what I was capable of and which aspects need to be improved.

The with internship opportunity Ι had DebsirinklongsibsamPatthumthani School was a great chance for learning and professional teaching development. Therefore, I consider myself as a very lucky individual as I was provided with an opportunity to be a part of this institution. I am also grateful for having a chance to meet so many wonderful people and professional teachers who led me all throughout this at internship period.

I would like to express my deepest thanks to Mr. Cherdchai Mulsuwan, the Head of Science and Technology Department for taking part in making useful decision, for giving necessary advices and guidance and arranging all the learning facilities to make the teaching run smoothly. I am taking this moment to acknowledge him for his great contributions during my internship. Moreover, I am using this opportunity to express my gratitude highest special thanks and DebsirinklongsibsamPatthumthani School members. In spite of being extraordinarily busy with The collaborative group work enhanced the whole their duties, they took time out to hear, guide and keep department to help each other, listen to the opinions of me on the correct path and allowed me to carry out my

> I perceive as this opportunity as a big milestone in my career development. I will strive to use gained skills and knowledge in the best possible way, and I will continue to work on for further improvement in order to attain my desired career objectives. I hope to keep tan open communication with them.



#### WORKING PART-TIME TO EXCEL

By: Pornchanok Tongkhiew, Education English Year 4

In addition to acquiring academic knowledge from St. Theresa International College, I am refining myself working as a part-time tutor at The Bright Tutoring Institute on Klong 7 during the weekends. From this part -time work, I have gained a lot of valuable experiences in preparing myself to work as an effective teacher in the future both in terms of increasing my knowledge, making me accurate in the contents, and practicing additional knowledge to be applied to my future career. Also, my work has trained me to recognize the value of money and how to save it efficiently for emergency purposes. Moreover, my tutoring work required me to balance my studies and work appropriately otherwise one part will be affected negatively. Finally, being both a student and a teacher at the same time isn't as difficult as you might think. If you have the passion with what you're doing, you will surely get through with all the obstacles victoriously.

# BE FASCINATED WITH PALM TREES



Early this month, palm trees are situated on the yard in front of the Nursing Building. The area has become livelier because of the newly planted palm trees. STICians can enjoy a tropical landscape as they walk and take pictures around the tropical island paradise – like surroundings.

Listed below are some of the fascinating facts about palm trees:

- 1. Some palms can grow up to 70 feet or much more.
- 2. The Assyrians believed that palm tree is the ultimate symbol of eternal life.
- 3. Christians waved palm trees as Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem which marked the commemoration of the Palm Sunday held a week before Easter Sunday.
- 4. Some palms can live for more than a hundred years old.
- 5. Palms appear on the flags and seals of places like Haiti, Guam, Saudi Arabia, Florida, and South Carolina.

Having known the fascinating facts about palm trees, let's take care of them so they won't become endangered species.

# P'JAE, THE CERTIFIED PLANTITO

By: Narin Pakkret, Guidance, Counseling and Marketing Staff



Since I was young, I have loved plants and have collected different plants by myself. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown, I have more time to do the things that I love the most: to be a PlanTito {a tito (uncle) collecting plants}. Surrounded with plants the environment becomes prettier and healthier. These plants provide oxygen that gives refreshing feelings. I

do take care of my plants same as I take care of myself. I water and fertilize them once a week. If you have free time, feel free to visit me in my room so you can have a glimpse of my babies that are wonderful and not pricey. Air plants like Indian rubber tree and Monstera are some of my favorites. Aside from not being expensive, they are easy to take care.

I think that planting and collecting plants spread good emotions in the four walls of my room. They turn my serious mood to healthy and happy moods. Loneliness is gone when I am with my plants.

To my colleagues and friends, start being a certified PlanTito or PlanTita. Ongkaharak Plant Market on Khlong 15, Rangsitnakhonnayok Road, Bungsan, Ongkharak, Nakhon Nayok is just very close to my place of residence. This plant market is renowned for its beautiful ornamental plants and cut flower markets, and also famous for being Thailand's largest plant and flower center. I can bring you there, just let me know.



Netflix has been the in demand streaming platform As we are approaching to especially in the midst of the pandemic. Since people the last week of this are on lockdown, one activity that family members month, here are the top enjoy doing together is sitting in front of their audio- 10 most popular shows visual units watching on Netflix. Netflix offers various on Netflix: 10. Marriage award-winning TV shows, movies, anime, or Mortgage 9. Paradise documentaries, and many more on internet-connected P.D. 8. Zero Chill 7. Waffles + Mochi there are always something new to watch every week. Georgia. Moreover, subscribers/members can still watch Netflix COVID-19 pandemic has brought people into a new without internet connection because downloading is occurred in the visual/virtual entertainment. allowed.



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devices. Viewers enjoy zero commercials viewings at a Chance U: Basketball 5. iCarly 4. Cocomelon 3. The very affordable price. Also, there's no boredom since One 2. The Lost Pirate Kingdom 1. Ginny and

virtual entertainment while you are on the go and horizon, and Netflix is one of those milestones that



students enjoying the walkway early in the morning and haven. in the late afternoon. High-spirited pedestrians strode The STIC walkway serves it purpose to all the STICians the walkway rushing for their first class period at 8 am.

For several months now, STICians have felt protected Later, haggard yet still zestful walkers strolled under the from the scorching heat of the sun and heavy fall of rain roofs of the walkway leading to their dormitories. Antsafter the full construction of the walkway from St. like foot travellers jammed the STIC walkway whether Mary's Building down to the area near the Nursing the weather is hot or rainy. Even at night, the walkway Building. It was a lovely visual perception seeing our serves as the students bright lights heading to their

being the bolt-hole for all seasons.