WeLearn Academy Newsletter



Monday the 1st to Friday the 5th of November 2021

Dear WeLearn Community,

Happy Friday! We have had a very good first week back at the center. Our safety protocols are fully in place and our app for uploading your ATK test results and risk assessment form are up and running. We held a Q&A session on Wednesday morning and have sent out the presentation slides to all parents by email. As a reminder, our ATK testing requirements are:

- 1. <u>Learners:</u> Prior to first return to onsite learning at the center
- 2. Parents: Weekly! Please submit each Monday.

If you haven't received it or still have questions, please contact Khun Kwan, our Parent Relations and Communication, at call: 065-462-9494, or email: <u>parentsrelation@welearn.org</u>, or LINE: @parentrelations.

<u>Come to the Center!</u> We would really like to see more Learners join us in the center for our PBL and Innovation Sessions. Our PBL and Innovation courses were designed for on-site, group learning as the hands-on counterpart to our online core academic program.

<u>December Flex Month Program:</u> We are exploring options to offer special Experiential Learning Programs during the first half of December. Please keep your calendar open!

<u>The MAP Assessment:</u> The Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment is scheduled at 10 am – 3 pm, November 22, 2021, for the Middle Learners, and November 29, 2021, for the Primary and Secondary Learners. The assessment will be administered at the center in Bangkok. More information may be found in the Learner Success section below!

<u>PBL Showcase</u>: Our PBL Showcase is where learners present to experts, peers, and parents the PBL projects they have been working on throughout the term. The PBL showcase will be on-site according to the schedule below:

Primary Learners: Friday, Dec 3rd, 2021 (10 am -12 pm) **Middle Learners:** Wednesday, Dec 1st, 2021 (1 pm - 3 pm) **Secondary Learners:** Tuesday, Nov 30th, 2021 (10 am - 12 pm)

As always, Upward and Onwards!!

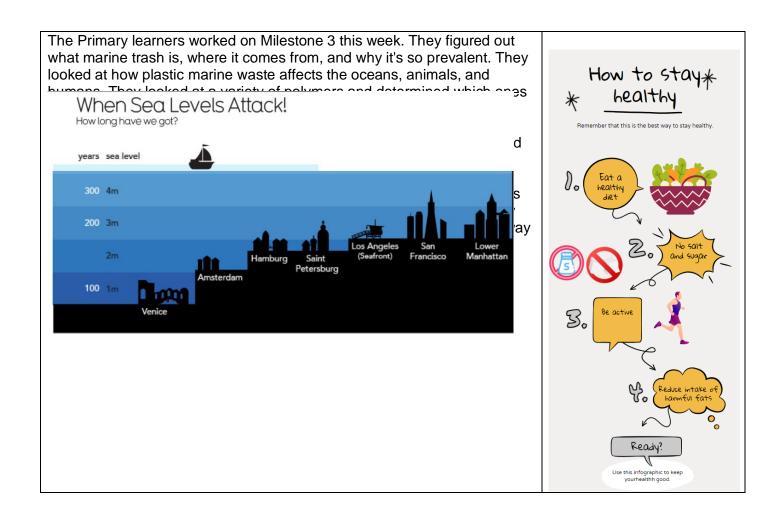
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Project Based Learning (PBL)

Primary Learners: "Reducing Plastics in the Oceans"



Middle Learners: "Starting a Business Like an Entrepreneur"

This week, Middle Section learners looked at various pricing schemes and chose the one that would be most beneficial to their firm. They looked into the advantages of all the strategies and decided on the best option. For the first month, they worked on their budget calculator, finalizing their revenue, profit, and profit margin. You guys are doing an amazing job!

Secondary Learners: "Providing Quality Education to the Moken Community"

The Secondary learners continued working on their blueprints this week. The blueprint is a basic draft of their best problem-solving strategy. They're gathering information and drawing out the overall outline of the plan. They are considering all issues and guaranteeing that their plan can be implemented. The groups have been introduced to and begun to consider their prototypes. Learners, keep up the wonderful work!

STEM Innovation

Finally, some of our learners are able to experience hands on activities in person at the WeLearn centers. Some 3D printing, robotic builds, roaming robots and even some VR sessions were great activities.



Our online learners have still the choice between DIY.org, code.org and Minecraft; Education Edition, All Minecraft efforts shall be **downloaded** from the host (the one who facilitated the world) as **.mcworld file** and then attach it to the according assignment on MS Teams. We have practiced this several times with all learners and are trying to give individual feedback on their achievements.

As all learners were asked to choose a math challenge here is a level some learners choose to tackle. Long Division in Minecraft 1



Astra Nova Conundrum Session

This week, we looked deep into the Lake Returns Conundrum. There were six difficult choices to make. Nonetheless, a choice had to be taken. The fundamental question was who deserved the greatest credit for reviving the lake. The learners made their choices and looked into the possibilities of the other alternatives. We strongly encourage parents to talk with their children about the Conundrums!

Learner Success

MAP Assessment This Month...Finally!



First, I want to thank everyone for their patience. We had announced rolling out this assessment tool in September, but after reviewing the data we concluded it would be better to have as many of the learners assessed on-site as possible. Now that we have re-opened, we can move forward!

Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP) is a computerized adaptive test that helps schools improve learning for all students and provide the required assistance to promote a child's academic growth. It measures the student's strengths and helps that is needed in any specific areas, particularly in Reading and Math levels. It is an untimed evaluation that will be administered periodically to monitor the progress of

every learner in relation to the global standards. It is widely used both in the U.S. and in most International Schools in Thailand.

We know that there have been concerns regarding the efficacy of our online academic providers, so this should validate that our learners are growing academically.

For more information, please visit https://www.nwea.org/the-map-suite/family-toolkit/, or contact us directly.