

February 20, 2009

Dear Parents, Faculty and Staff:

Last week during the morning assembly, our Campus Chaplain, Father Travis, reminded the students of their responsibilities both at home and school. Among various responsibilities, he stressed the importance of the student's role in keeping our environment clean. Becoming a responsible citizen at an early age helps our students assume the responsibilities of adulthood.



I am a very strong advocate of student responsibility. It is the key to improve academics and discipline. But, it is a joint effort between home and school. Responsibilities include simple tasks such as putting the plates back in the sink after meals, cleaning their rooms or completing homework assignments on time.

At RIS, the administration, faculty and staff are committed to serving as positive role models for our students. We strongly believe in fostering character development and training our students to become responsible citizens, and most importantly, preparing them to become caring future leaders, embracing the school's core values of respect, honesty, excellence and responsibility.

We need your help. I urge all the parents to provide opportunities for your children to accept simple responsibilities at home. Your support to our school philosophy encourages your child to accept challenges and become strong each day. I am sure this will make a huge positive difference in the lives of your children.

We are proud to announce that the Association for the Advancement of International education (AIEE) honored Jim Gerhard, ES Assistant Principal, at their annual conference in San Francisco, California. Jim was awarded the Ernest Mannino Scholarship in honor of his compelling Doctoral work in honor of his compelling Doctoral work in Education Policy and Administration at the University of Minnesota. Ruamrudee International School is happy to be a member of AAIE and we congratulate Jim for this fine accomplishment.

Finally – mark your calendars! Next weekend at the Central World Plaza (outdoors), RIS will participate in the Education Living Fair. Our school will have a booth and our Jeremiah Singers will perform at the opening on Friday night, February 27. On Saturday, February 28, Natascha Yogachandra, Grade 11, will address the crowd at 1 p.m. You can see more details on our website. Please do come and support your children and their school.

Have a good weekend.

Peace,

Fr. Pattarapong Srivorakul, C.Ss.R.
Head of School