

October 9, 2009

Dear Parents, Faculty & Staff:

Next week is International Culture Week at RIS. We have an incredible community with many worldwide identities and cultural backgrounds. This cultural experience makes RIS a unique and exciting school.

This week-long event is held annually to promote and encourage diversity in our school and celebrate the culture and history of various ethnic backgrounds, and to spread the awareness of the heritage of each culture. Such events prepare our students to live in a multiracial and polycultural world by understanding the race and ethnicity of their future colleagues.

One of the most important events of Cultural Week is the annual International Food Fair which will take place on Tuesday, October 13. Please do come and enjoy the food and drink from around the world with dozens of foodstalls and lots more. The PA community has been working hard to make this a huge success. The Fair has something for everyone, so bring along your friends and family.

Speaking of culture and heritage, on Monday this week, our Korean community at RIS organized an outstanding performance at Godbout Hall for the annual Korean Day. Our Korean students performed traditional dances as part of the event, taking great pride in their ancestry. My favorite was the traditional “Buchaechum” dance with students wearing the traditional dress in bright colors, using fans painted with different colors. All did a fantastic job and my congratulations to our Korean parents who organized this event!



This weekend, RIS is participating in the Thailand International Education Exhibition 2009 at Queen Sirikit National Convention Center. Our “Young Voices of Ruamrudee” from the Elementary section performed on stage this afternoon. Please drop by and see our booth if you are in the area.



Lastly, an opportunity to listen to some more great music to lift your soul, please come to International School of Bangkok’s (ISB) Chevron Theater tomorrow, October 10, at 2 pm where you will tap your feet to the beat of the Band Festival taking place.

Well, that’s all for this week. Have a fabulous weekend.

Peace,

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Head of School