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Dear Parents, Faculty and Staff:

Good news! I am delighted to report that our school has received the accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) for Pre-School through Grade 12. As you know, a team from WASC visited us recently to review our current curriculum and school practices and make recommendations for improvement. They have awarded us accreditation for three years, which will end in June, 2011. We are actively putting together a plan of action based on their recommendations, and I am confident to say that we are marching forward to a bigger and better next school term.

Again, this has been a busy week as we wind down the last few days of the semester. This is final examination week and I am sure your children have done their best. I applaud their efforts all year long and thank you for the support you have given to them, as well as to their school. Training and educating children is a very difficult task which must be done in collaboration between home and school. As long as we continue to work together in this task, we can be assured of success!

I am so proud of our staff and students for their kind humanitarian efforts to help the Burmese victims of Cyclone Nargis. Yesterday, with the leadership of Father Travis, our school handed over the second shipment of donated materials to the Royal Thai Military Services. Materials collected from parents, staff and students include cash, medicine, clothes, Rain Harvesting Kits, food items and rice worth several thousand baht. This is a tremendous outpouring of love for our Burmese brothers and sisters. Thank you all very much. We will continue to collect donations up until the last day of school.



This morning, a group of students, faculty members, a parent and I attended the 60th Anniversary of UN Peacekeeping and the International Day of UN Peacekeepers commemoration at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok. As you know, our school has been involved in "Sewing the Seeds of Peace in the Mekong River Basin" Project with UNESCO for many years. We continue to stay active in this project of bringing peace education to several schools in the area.

Also this morning, I attended the graduation ceremony for our kindergarten students – our future leaders of this country. They were so cute and well behaved. They fully deserve the recognition. Congratulations, brilliant stars!

Well, this letter will be my last for this term. Have a wonderful time with your children during the holidays. Yesterday I saw some parents with stacks of books borrowed from our school library. I urge all of you to encourage your children to take some time to read some pleasurable books this summer. Enjoy your holiday, and take advantage of some quality time with your children!

See you all in early August!

Until then, Peace,

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