

Language Center

News

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**Wishing Everyone a Happy Macha Bucha Day
9th February**

One of the most important Buddhist celebrations - Macha Bucha Day usually falls on the full moon day of the third lunar month. Not particularly a festival, Macha Bucha is a Buddhist holy day and marks a point in history when 1,250 of the Lord Buddha's followers gathered to hear his sermon. Macha Bucha Day is a day when worshipers to walk three times around temples in a bid to make merit. His Majesty the King presides over religious rites at the Emerald Buddha Temple where he leads the candlelight procession around the temple.



**Wishing Everyone a Happy Valentines Day
14th February**

A Message from the Editor

Welcome to the February issue of the language center news. Firstly all of us in the language department and the faculty of science of arts would like to say very big congratulations to all the students who collected their degrees on Friday 23rd January.

We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome the new students who will be joining the college for the new semester commencing on February 23rd.

The language center is; as always, here to help you with any of your language needs. Just let us know how you want us to help you...we are here for you.

Don't miss out!

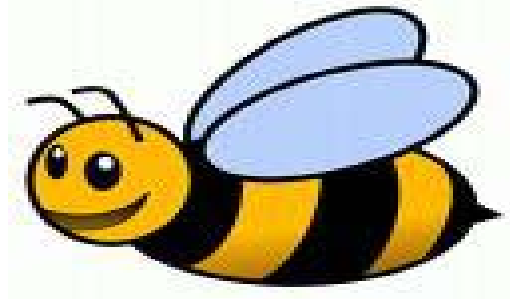
Guy Ridgeon

Out and About!

Students from Arj Guy's intensive English class went down into central Bangkok on the 14th of January. Firstly they visited the I-Zone at the British Council in Siam Sq. Later on they all visited "The Bangkok Art and Cultural Center" in Rama I to select a piece of art for a future presentation. After a short lunch break they visited the MBK area to carry out a speaking activity "Talking to Tourists". A display of all three visits is currently in the language center.

Fun Websites!

Spelling Bee...



Do you want the chance to check both your listening skills and your spelling at the same time?

Then log onto <http://www.timespellingbee.co.uk/>

Want to test your knowledge of places in the world in a fun way?

Try this on-line game...



<http://www.businesstraveller.com/news/got-a-spare-moment-try-this-geographical-quiz>



The language center is happy to promote the Education UK exhibition 2009 “A Brighter Future” in Bangkok 7th-8th February. Full details are available in: the language center, room 500, on faculty notice boards, and in the library, or on the British Council website www.britishcouncil.or.th

Life's short right? So's this survey.

It'll only take 15 minutes and you could win a round-trip air ticket to the UK. You can also win Apple iPod Nanos, movie tickets or Education UK T-Shirts.

From now until 31/01/09 www.britishcouncil.or.th/survey



English Stars



Congratulations to two D.T.C. students who have excelled with their English skills



Firstly Ms. Kwanchanok Jareangan who won a two week scholarship to Chester in the UK to study “General English for Adults” in the recent British Council “Let Your English Grow” writing competition.



And secondly Mr. Rapeewat Wadyuang who recently successfully completed A.U.A's highest level (level 15).

Very well done to both of them!

There is nothing like a good joke
...and these are nothing like good jokes!

I went to the doctor and told him that I am frightened of lapels...he said I had cholera.

I met the man who invented crosswords. I don't remember his name; it's P something something S something T.

I am reading a book about the history of glue. I can't put it down!

And finally a few words of wisdom on the subject of education from former President George "W" Bush...



"Rarely is the question asked is our children learning?"

1/11/2000

"You teach a child to read, and he or her will be able to pass a literacy test"

21/2/2001