People Improvement Organization Newsletter

People Improvement Organization (PIO) serves over 1400 Cambodian children with free education, nutrition, healthcare and vocational training. We provide some of the most vulnerable children in Cambodia with hope for the future. With the right education, support and encouragement, Cambodian people will be able to take greater control of their lives and, as a result, they will break the cycle of poverty.



Phymean Noun, Founder/CEO, CNN Hero 2008 World's Children's Prize laureate 2015

May – June – July 2018

Maybank Child Sponsorship Program 2018



Maybank has partnered with PIO for six years, and this year there was the fifth launch of the ongoing sponsorship program for PIO children. At the ceremony there were speeches and music and dance performances by PIO students.. We're grateful to Maybank that they also officially announced the ongoing support of PIO 52 underprivileged students through funding for the PIO high school program and monthly workshops .

Play Around the World



PIO students were delighted to play games two days a week with three volunteers from **Play Around the World.** The volunteers were here for three months. They are all studying sport at the University of Alberta Canada and this is the forth time they have volunteered at PIO. The team taught games and fun activities for students from Kindergarten to Grade 5. They were always hardworking and the students enjoyed every second of the play. We hope to see them here again next year.

International Children's Day



PIO celebrates International Children's Day each year on the 1st of June. At PIO this year we recognized this significant day with a big party for the children. At the ceremony there were student performances and special gratitude activities of the students to their parents. The students were very enthusiastic about the wonderful celebration and their parents were very happy to be te celebration.

Students From HongKong City



In June, there were two groups of students from Hong Kong. Pui Ching Middle School and Lingnan University of HongKong City came to visit PIO. They shared some art and music activities with our three kindergarten classes. The visitors and children all thoroughly enjoyed the visit. It was the second time the groups have visited PIO and we hope that they will continue to do so in the future. Such visits are a good opportunity for our classes to additional art and music activities.

Dental Students from the University of Puthisastra



From June to August this year ,PIO is very fortunate to have a number of volunteer dental students from the University of Puthisastra Dental School to treat our students. They have been joined by overseas dental volunteers. The visits are an essential part ensuring that PIO students have good dental health care at no cost. The PIO dental program is supported by One2One, an NGO committed to providing health care in Cambodia.

Examinations Semester II



There has been the second year in which PIO has conducted its own high school classes (Grade 7 through 9) with the approval of the of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport. The results of Grade 9 second examination were outstanding with a 100 % pass rate. And for Grade 6 the pass rate was 98%. Grade 9 students sit their national examination in early August. We wish them good luck!

Donation from The Queen of Cambodia



In the middle of July, we were greatly honored to receive a donation of 250 T-shirts, a bags of rice, medicines and soap from the Cambodian Queen Mother. There have been a number of occasions now PIO that received donations from the Royal Palace. We are very grateful for the kind donations from the Royal family.

