

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



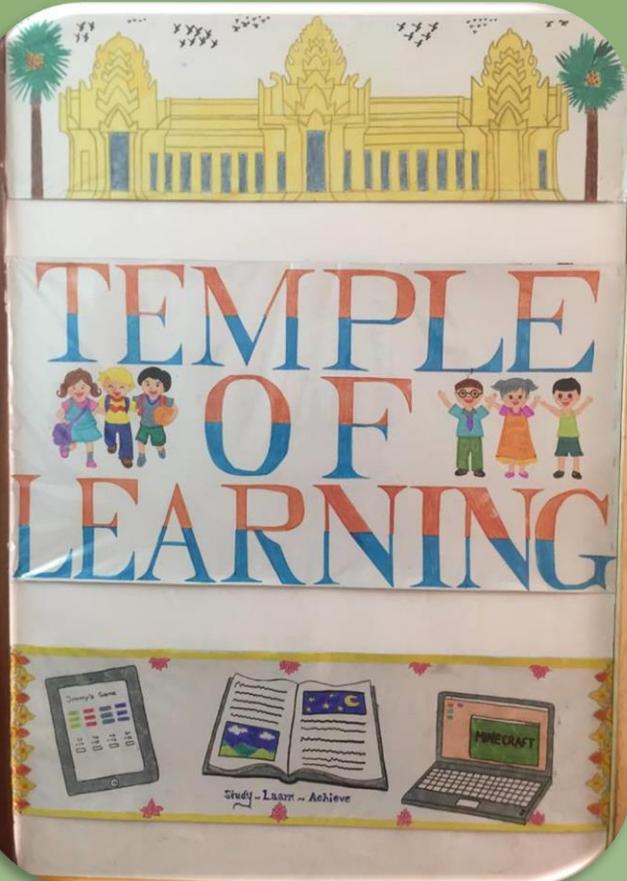
November – December – January
2018-2019

Opening a New School Year 2018 / 2019



On November 1st we celebrated the opening of the new school year. This occasion was conducted with PIO student performances, school principal's speech and an address by the PIO Founder. The talks gave encouragement to the students as they begin the new academic year. The celebration concluded with dance and music performances by PIO students.

Temple of Learning Room



A new and exciting development this year is the “Temple of Learning”. It combines the PIO library and computer room. All classes are scheduled to use the room in the morning for developing their reading skills in English and Khmer. In the afternoon students use computer technology to improve their maths and do online English exercises. After school each day there is the coding club for Grade 9 and Grade 10 students. The project was created by John Thompson, PIO Project Manager with help from volunteer Linda Bowes and Teacher Prum. The Temple of Learning is proving effective in helping students learn better and to learn more.

Maybank's Workshop



Maybank are sponsors of under-privileged high school students. Part of the sponsorship involves monthly workshops. November students joined a workshop on the topic "The Asian Countries". It was a learning about each culture and life in those countries. The students enjoyed the group discussion, games and question and answer activities. It was a nice way to improve their general knowledge.

18 PIO Outstanding Students

Maybank has always supported and encouraged PIO students.. They share our goal of inspiring students to keep pursuing education. This year Maybank awarded a certificate of excellence and prizes to the first placed students from each class. The students were very happy and excited about their certificates and all committed themselves to getting the best result in the next year too!



Virtue Training Occasion



In December, we hosted the Pannasastra International School. The purpose of the ceremony was to build or to cultivate good values through activities and educational performance. The event concluded with students and teachers from both school sharing a big lunch together. We would like to thank PIS for the food, some school supplies and the clothing they donated to PIO.

Generous Donation



On December 23, Cambodian business woman Tang Gechlieng and friends organized a charity donation for PIO. Students who had been helped by PIO from an early age told their stories of how their lives had been changed. That was followed by student performances, speeches by Tang Gechlieng and then the handover of gifts to PIO, including 10kg bags of rice for the children's families. The group of donors promised to hold this charity event again in the coming year. Thank you to Tang Gechlieng and her friends for their generous donation to PIO.

PIO Christmas Party 2018



PIO holds a Christmas party for the staff and students each year on December 25 . The celebration involved playing funny games ,singing songs and dancing performances from PIO primary and high school students. Teacher and students celebrated Christmas with the children. At the end of party, students ate a delicious lunch, and the teachers and volunteers had lunch together The celebration ended with giving Christmas gifts to the students, and teachers and students dancing. We look forward to doing it all again for Christmas 2019! We would like to thank Box of Hope organization for once again providing Christmas presents for every student at PIO.

PIO Yoga



In December, Canadian nurse, Laura volunteered to teach yoga to primary school students for one hour per day for three weeks. In addition she raised funds for the PIO clinic. The money was used to purchase a bed and some medical equipment. We would like to thank Laura for taking time to teach the students and to support our doctor and his clinic. We look forward to seeing her again in 2019.

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