



NFC Students will go to Westline School in August funded by Waterdraggers!



Westline representative Bunneang Or and NFC Director Suon Socheat outside the new school

30 students now in Primary and Secondary levels at Khmer schools will be changing to study at the brand new "The Westline School" in Chhbar Ampov walking distance from NFC! We are very thankful that the management at Westline has offered us a significant discount that has allowed us to find a donor to pay for their study for the first year. Our sincerest thanks to the Waterdraggers Foundation in the Netherlands for funding this!

Excellent Results at NFC!

We are pleased and proud to announce the impressive progress NFC students are making.

Sean Channy and Sorn Sreychem have recently graduated from the top level of English at New World Institute.

Four of our students ranked within the top 3 positions in public school during May and June.

Shanghai Academy Students Visit NFC

67 Students from the Victoria Shanghai Academy in Hong Kong invited all the NFC children to a delicious lunch buffet on April 12th. They gave school materials and sport equipment to the children of NFC as well as a financial donation. In an act further endearing them to our kids, each of the 67 Hong Kong students had a personal gift for each of our children.

Marymount Secondary School Students Visit NFC

68 students from the Marymount Secondary School in Hong Kong had a great time with the NFC children! They were very generous as well as they gave 1500 kg of rice, 50 boxes of noodles, boxes of milk, bottles of Asian cooking sauces and a financial donation.

Exciting Performances by Children at Chris's Birthday Celebration



NFC Children prepare to perform the stick dance

Chris Merritt celebrated his birthday party for the fifth time in Cambodia by sponsoring a dinner for nearly 100 NFC children and guests.

The NFC children did an excellent job performing the Coconut Dance and the seldom seen and challenging Stick Dance. The break dance team did a great job as well!

After a dinner of Thai curry, Bavarian potato salad and Hungarian sausages, everyone learned and danced the "Bunny Hop" in honor of it being the Chinese "Year of the Rabbit", which turned out to be quite hilarious! Dancing for everyone continued with guests eventually departing quite exhausted while the kids danced on.

Thanks to children, staff and guests for making this a really wonderful, special day for me and hopefully everyone else!

Contemporary Dance Performance Including NFC Children at NFC and Sovanna Phum



Photo Courtesy of Aziza's Place

'The Dance Made In Cambodia: Revolutions' was a collaborative project among three local NGO's that introduced contemporary dance in a self-choreographed performance, guided by the expertise of dance artist Stephen Bimson. Children from Aziza's Place, Chibodia Children's Home and New Future for Children all participated.

Visit from Westline School Students



In celebration of International Children's day, 30 students from another branch of Westline School visited NFC bringing gifts of cloths and educational material and sharing in games with NFC children. This was a wonderful gesture to our students as they become part of the Westline School community.

Funds Needed for School Uniforms & School Supplies for NFC Students

A generous donation from the Waterdraggers Foundation has provided the NFC students the opportunity to go to The Westline School. The NFC students are highly motivated to take advantage of this excellent opportunity but school uniforms and school supplies are required before they can attend. The children need 2-sets of school uniforms \$30 for each child. We have 30 children who will attend for a total of \$900 for school uniforms. School supplies will come to a total of approximately \$300 for all the children. We are

thankful for any size donation you can provide to support the children!

New Volunteer Joins NFC!



Rachel Lee

We are pleased to have Rachel Lee from Australia join us for 10 weeks to volunteer with the children! She will support the in-house English education program at NFC by assisting Khmer English teachers. Thank you so much for your support!

Photo of NFC Students Performing at Feb. 24th E.U. Building Opening!



NFC Children performing at E.U. Building Opening

NFC gets support from the German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development

NFC is proud to announce that it has been chosen once again as one of only 20 NGOs in Cambodia to get a volunteer for a full year. The volunteer will start in August and be continuing the work of our two current German volunteers, Tim and Anja.

In this time of budget cuts in Germany and a subsequent reduction in the number of young volunteers chosen, it is encouraging that NFC could satisfy the high requirements for the award of these cherished volunteers!

Leadership Training Workshop - Survivor Challenge held at Rabbit Island



Children at the Rabbit "Survivor Challenge"

18 students from NFC attended an amazing leadership workshop called the "Survivor Challenge" for 3 ½ days on Rabbit Island given by the Attitude Center for Education. They were split into two groups and faced with a number of challenges including buying food and cooking a meal for everyone, creating and performing a plays, physical challenges and even a treasure hunt! At the end of the event Thy Vitcheang, through a tightly fought competition, won the distinction of being chosen as the best leader.



Rabbit Island sit up competition



Rabbit Island meal preparation competition

Survivor Challenge Survey Summary

Of the 24 participants 19 said it was "Amazing" and 5 said it was "Good". 10 participants learned "many new skills". 18 learned "many, many" or at least "a few" new things about themselves. In answer to the question, "What were your favorite parts of the whole experience?" the most participants (17) responded with, "Getting to know more about and spend time with the other children". Other favorite activities were swimming, walking around the island and eating.

Marion Returns to Volunteer at NFC!



We are very pleased to have Marion Hadingham return to help with the children's English education program! Her experience, enthusiasm and dedication have made a real difference in this program!

NFC Adopts "International Standard" Computer Training Software - ICDL

NFC has adopted the ICDL, International Computer Drivers License, courseware as a standard for teaching NFC computer classes. The courseware is split into 7 modules comprising different areas of computer knowledge. As students complete each module they can be scheduled to take a test that will certify that they have computer knowledge in that area to a highly recognized international standard.

In the competitive IT environment emerging in Cambodia we feel that conforming to an international standard for computer knowledge will aid our children in securing productive employment.

Interview with Thy Vitchheang



Thy Vitchheang is from a small farming community in Prey Veng province. He came from a very poor family who struggled to make a living raising pigs and growing rice. He has three sisters and no brothers. His allowance was 12-cents a week, 8-

cents for school fees and 4 cents for snacks. His prospects for the future were grim in that almost all the children from his village only complete 7th grade. A monk told him about NFC and after an interview process he was accepted. At this point his life changed significantly for the better. His opportunities opened up and he applied himself to take advantage of them.

Besides his achievement in reaching grade 10 in Khmer school, he is at a high level English class at New World Institute and has learned computer skills through the NFC computer classes. In addition to academics, he has studied traditional Khmer dance, break dance and performs often. He also loves to play volleyball.

Perhaps his most significant achievement so far is being chosen as the best leader at the "Survivor Challenge" event at Rabbit Island, an unexpected but well earned surprise.



Theft of Gongs & Replacement Donation



Instruments with missing chimes

Over \$600 worth of chimes were stolen from NFC instruments during the night about 1 month ago. The children could no longer use the instruments to provide traditional music for Khmer dance performances. Thanks to a generous donation from Gerardine Scully and a co-worked they are being replaced and will be available for the children to play shortly.

NFC's Financial Status

Sincere thanks to all those who have been helping us during these tough economic times! We've been able to meet our bills so far! We continue to need donations for our monthly budget so any donations are greatly needed and appreciated! Please note there is an easy way to donate, by Credit Card or Paypal! See information below.

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