

Why Donate?

Tuition fees at Bangkok Patana School principally cover teachers' salaries, resources for class and the many support services that a school of this size requires. While the fees do meet our essential needs, there will always be things over and above these requirements that it would be beneficial for our students to have, but which the budget does not cover.

The **Annual Fund** is a way to provide our students with more than just an academic education; it is a channel for parents and members of the community to provide the extras that help give each one of our students every opportunity to develop as an individual.



What We Achieved: Arts & Sports

For the first three years of its existence, the **Annual Fund** concentrated on raising money for Arts & Sports, with over 1.3 million baht donated by the school community. This charitable support helped to provide equipment such as:

- Music stands
- Fitness equipment for the Sports Hall
- Darkroom resources in Secondary Art
- Outdoor adventure play units in Foundation Stage
- Flexible staging blocks
- Gymnastics apparatus

The benefits of this charitable giving are still felt daily throughout both the Primary and Secondary schools.



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Dear Parents,

Since Bangkok Patana School first established the **Annual Fund** six years ago, the wonderful response and support from members of our community has helped us provide some fantastic resources and learning opportunities for our students.

The theme of this year's **Fund** is Student Life, and the list of things we would like to buy is a diverse mix covering almost every aspect of the school environment you can think of, from sports to the arts, ECA equipment and much more.

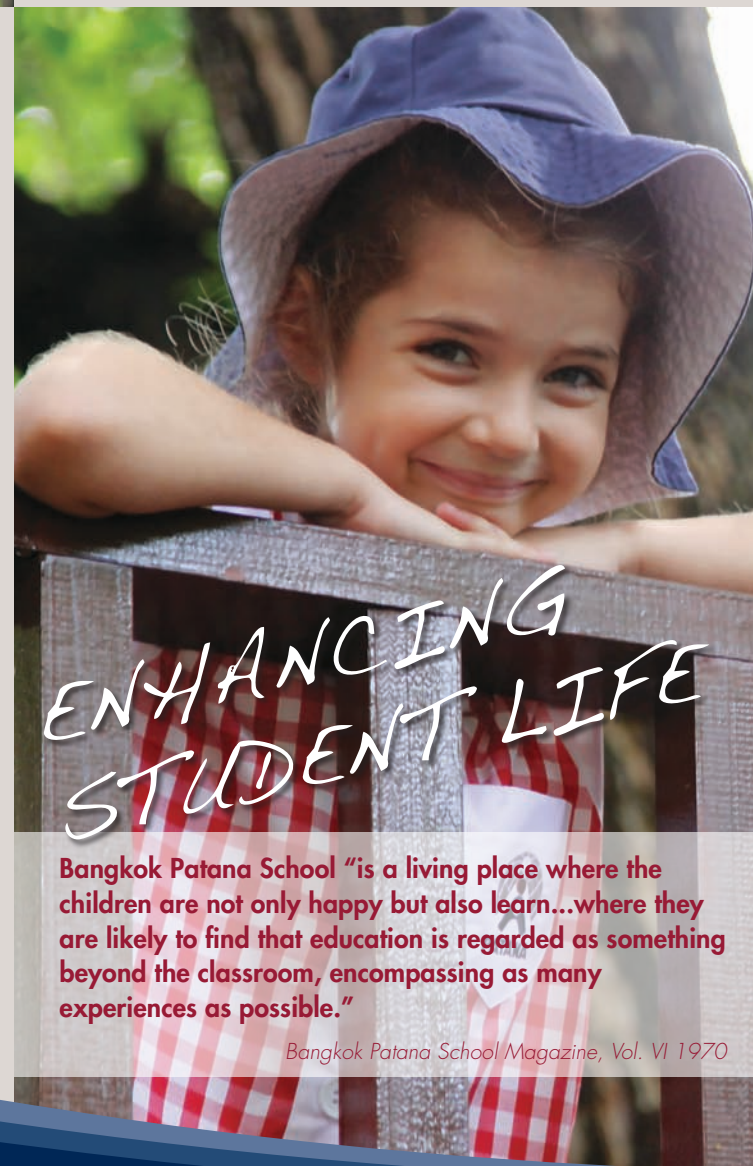
Education is a life-long investment, and as a school we don't just want to help our students achieve academic success; we want to give them the skills and the tools they need to become responsible global citizens of the future.

Being able to offer our children the chance to experience what life has to offer is an important part of that, and the extra value we are able to add to their school days through the **Annual Fund** is immeasurable. Your generosity will help make their student life a rewarding one. Thank you.

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Head of School

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Bangkok Patana School "is a living place where the children are not only happy but also learn...where they are likely to find that education is regarded as something beyond the classroom, encompassing as many experiences as possible."

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Focus for 2010/11

At Bangkok Patana School we want our students to make the most of being young, to grasp hold of opportunities and broaden their experience of the world.

This year, the focus of the **Annual Fund** is Student Life, and your donations will help enhance this through the provision of new experiences and equipment, allowing students to live life to the full.



What We Achieved: Environment

Over the last two years our community has generously donated almost 1 million baht to **Annual Funds** focused on the environment. These donations helped enrich student learning and appreciation of the environment through the funding of a number of projects including:

- Construction and stocking of a Year 5/6 vegetable garden
- Installation of solar cells on the roof of the Secondary Science laboratories, allowing environmentally friendly charging of MP3 players and mobile phones
- A cross campus nature trail has been planned and will open in 2010/11
- A architectural sun dial has been purchased to be installed in front of the Sports Hall
- Development of the outdoor classroom, with generous support from the PTG

In a busy city like Bangkok, where green space is at a premium, these projects have helped give students an appreciation of the natural world and how it relates to their urban environment.

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Primary School Wish List Items 2010/11

- Improvement to the social space between the 25m pool and hard court
- Upgrade of playground equipment
- Water dispensers for reusable containers

Free and unstructured play is widely considered healthy and essential for children's development, a philosophy that we subscribe to at Bangkok Patana School. Anyone who has seen children at play knows how imaginative they can be, how thoroughly they get caught up in their games and make-believe worlds, and how important play is in teaching them how to socialise.

Upgrading our current play equipment will help our students maximise their enjoyment of their break times and reinforce their perception that school is fun.



Secondary School Wish List Items 2010/11

- Youth Club refurbishment and equipment
- Extra salas near the front hard court
- E-readers available at the Library
- Outside gym circuit equipment on the sports fields

The Youth Club, which attracts many Key Stage 3 students, helps the transition from Primary to Secondary and aids the forming of friendships outside each student's tutor and year group. Developing an 'outdoor gym' circuit would offer further ECA opportunities and support the fitness training undertaken by our sports teams as they strive for victory.

At school we believe that a confident, creative and productive use of ICT is an essential skill for life. E-readers will help enrich learning and further technology use across all areas of the curriculum.

