A small celebration of graduation

Our school closed for summer holiday earlier than scheduled to curb the spread of Covid-19. Most of the children left the school for their home villages to see their parents or guardians. There were only some children left on the campus. Some of them are orphans, and the others are children whose parents are divorced. Five Grade-9 students and three Grade-6 students who had just finished their study at School for Life were among them at the school. During that time, coronavirus was spreading rapidly across the world. Our school is far away from the city. We all were fine, staying on the campus, and we didn't go anywhere. But, the children were unhappy about the situation of coronavirus crisis around the world. To encourage them, we held a small celebration of graduation for Grade-9 and Grade-6 students at the School Assembly Hall on 26th March, 2020.

At first, School Director *Khun Siriporn Hanfaifa* opened the ceremony and gave a short speech. She presented the certificates to Grade-9 and Grade-6 students who had finished their study. Then, the Grade-9 students spoke "Thank You" to the teachers and community of School for Life for the opportunity to live and study in School for Life.

Next, the children sang songs on stage, group by group.

After that, teachers tied a white thread of cotton on the wrist of every student for their well-being and good luck.

Finally, the ceremony was closed after taking group photos in the School Assembly Hall. All of us were happy on that day.



























































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