

## August Narrative Report 2016

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“During this August, 2016, there were farewell parties for volunteer teachers, football matches with other schools, Karen Wrist Tying Day, community cleaning and football training for girls.”

### Farewell for Volunteer Teachers



In this August, some teachers went back and students made farewell for teachers. On 5<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> there were farewell party for Kari, Brynn, Clara and Erin (from Whitman), Sean & Alita, and Anna and students gave thanks speeches, sing songs for teachers in Room 4, Minmahaw School.

### Football Matches; 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>



Students often have football matches on Saturday evenings. In August, students had football match on 13<sup>th</sup> with MHEP, on 20<sup>th</sup> with BHSOH. On 27<sup>th</sup> Minmahaw students divided into two groups and played against their friends. We started to go to the football field at 2:00 PM and played from 3:00PM to 5:00PM (1 hour each for boys and girls).

## Karen Wrist Tying Day



On 18<sup>th</sup> of August, 2016 was the day for Karen Wrist Tying festival and Minmahaw students went to a monastery to celebrate the festival. We started to leave from school at 8:00 AM and arrived there around 8:30 AM. There was a special offer for visitors to have Mont Hin Khar (traditional food) for breakfast. Then students had time to look around the monastery and there were also shops selling food and snacks in the compound. When the entertainments started, students performed Karen traditional dance on the stage, it was a great performance. Then students tied their wrist each other with threads as the traditional way. We planned to hang out to a park near the monastery but unfortunately the weather was not so good (Heavy Rain); the plan to visit the park was cancelled.

## Community Cleaning with MHEP



On 27<sup>th</sup> of August, 2016, Saturday morning, there was a community cleaning by MS (Minmahaw School) and MHEP (Minmahaw Higher Education Program) students. Students started the community cleaning around 9:30 AM and they cleaned the school compound, cut the grasses beside the streets and near the neighbors' houses, take out dirt and muds which block the water flows in the drain. The students picked up the rubbish around the neighbors, near the school compound, on the road and they throw it in the rubbish bins. Students worked hard for the cleaning and they finished around 11:00 AM.

## Girls Football Training



On 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of August, Tuesday evenings, girls had football training at NFC ground. They started to leave school at 4:30 PM and their teacher Roberta trained them from 5:00PM to 6:00PM. The girls ran around the football field to gain more stamina, did stretching, and took lessons about some football strategies. After the exercises finished, they divided into two teams and played against each other for practice.