

Dear Bambooschoolers,

this week we officially said our final goodbyes to Shay, Franki and Mohsin and welcomed Marco (from Switzerland) to the team.

He has mechanical and carpentry experience - just the right background for the construction site in Ban Khon Kuen!

With just only Marco on board as a new construction volunteer, we hoped that someone else would apply to help us finish building the school by the end of the month in Ban Khon Khuen. Seems like the village spirits heard our wishes and sent us Warwick, a young architect from South Africa who applied to join the team.

During his studies he was involved in social housing and community development projects in South Africa. He is now traveling South East Asia wishing to further develop his knowledge about these parts of the world.

Having worked on various construction sites he has gained experience with different building systems, management strategies and grass-root design approaches.

His contribution to the ongoing projects has a lot of potential and we are eager to see his creative responses in dealing with the unique challenges faced every day by the Bamboo School.

Apart from that, Warwick will be assisting me to make a video about our implemented projects in order to show this to our yearly general assembly in Germany in June.

In the upcoming week Marco and Warwick will be introduced to the local authorities (gouverneur, social welfare, education office and police) before starting their official volunteering period at the construction site.

There our local constructors have continued to plaster the walls of the school. When Marco, Warwick, Satheet and I will be returning to Ban Khon Khuen on Wednesday, we will continue painting the walls, finish building the toilet and start building a little playground for the kids.



We wish you a great start into the week and look forward to tell you about Marcos and Warwicks first week construction site experience!

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Isabel Montano