

# Pine Newsletter

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## First Law School In Sabah Signed MoU With Bond University

We have the great pleasure to announce that Pine Academy signed a Memorandum of Understanding ( MoU ) with Bond University on 6/3/2009 – the first between Bond University with any other institutions in the world which enabled the transfer of credits leading to Bond’s LLB and Bachelor of Business Law. This MoU had also made Pine Academy the first Law School in East Malaysia. Bond University has a distinguished reputation as Australia’s first, not-for-profit university. This University had carved its name in the provision of tertiary legal education, and to top it up, it had recently completed the building of its world class Legal Skills Centre, the best in the world currently.

The achievement of Bond’s Law Faculty is beyond doubt and the talents churned out proved it all. On 20/2/2009, Bond University’s team won first place in the prestigious International Criminal Court (ICC) Trial competition in the Hague, the Netherlands. This prestigious competition saw the participation of 20 teams from 14 countries. Arguably, Bond is now the best advocacy-teaching university in the world!

### Relocation to City Mall

With your continuous support for Pine Academy and after a thorough search on the suitable location for a new Learning Centre, here we are in our new premises - City Mall!

We operated from here with effect from 1/3/2009, and renovation works are still in progress at this moment. As to our students, we thank you for your patience in putting up with the disruptions due to the renovation works. Please bear with us for a little more time whilst we are trying our very best to provide you with a conducive environment to study in.

Upon completion our new office consists of two levels – the second and the third floor:-

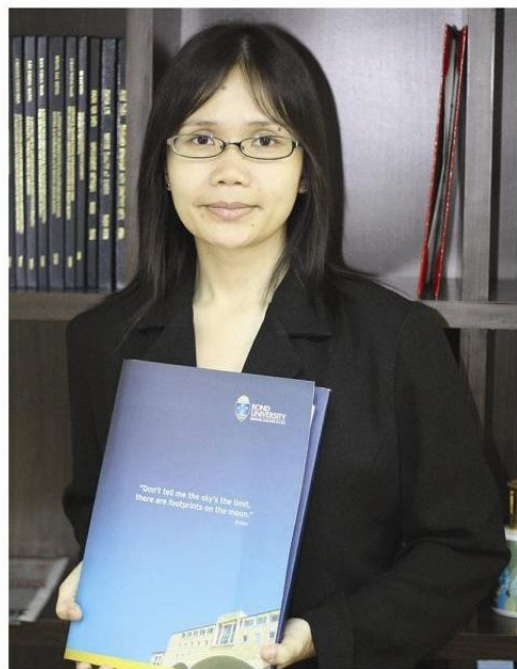
- Second floor – Information and Administration Office, Student Centre, Conference Room, Principal’s Room, Lecturers’ Room and Marketing Division, Lecture rooms, Resource Centre, Computer Lab, Snacks Bar and Cyber Café.
- Third floor – Lecture rooms, Language Lab and Surau.

We are looking forward to having a more quality learning experience with you.



During the event, students and facilitators were divided into three Countries. Each Country did its best in outdoing others in order to win the valuable “currency” offered by the Emperor. Despite being a brief event, we saw the ups and down of all the Countries in their quest to emerge as the final winner, where barriers were broken, self inhibition disappeared, creativity unleashed and leadership shone. It was a touching moment for lecturers to see true comradeship being formed amongst team members, and how they encouraged each other at times. We are proud that judging from students’ response, how they got to know each other better, as well as interacting well with all the lecturers – PACT 2009 was indeed a success!

29 participants including the students and facilitators



*Ms Freda, the Dean of Pine Academy Law School, showing the MoU signed with Bond University*

## Pine Academy Creative Teaming 2009 (PACT 2009)

Our very first official outing for students, dubbed the Pine Academy Creative Teaming 2009 (PACT 2009) was successfully held from 26-27 February 2009. The 2D/1N event was held at Borneo Paradise Beach Resort, Kinarut.

The main purpose of PACT 2009 was to foster closer ties between our students as well as with our lecturers. A total of 29 persons participated in this fun and exciting event, where they all lived in a ‘Kingdom’.