

Newsletter- 23/01/19



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Dates for Your Diary]

Friday 25 January	Y6 Mandarin Consultations
Saturday 26 January	ESF Hong Kong Run 2019
Friday 1 February	Normal school day finishing at 2:45pm Mid year reports home
4 to 8 February	Mid Term Break - No school
Wednesday 13 February	Y6 Trip to Zero Carbon Building
Thursday 14 February	Y6 Trip to Zero Carbon Building
25 February to 1 March	Book Week
27 & 28 February	Book Fair
Friday March 1	Book Parade
6 to 8 March	Y4 Camp
Saturday 16 March	KJS School Fair
Thursday 28 March	Basketball Tournament at KJS
Friday 29 March	Annual Music Concert
Monday 1 April	School-wide Exams (just kidding, April Fools!)
Thursday 4 April	ESF Primary Choral Concert
Friday 5 April	Ching Ming Festival - No school
8 and 9 April	Student Led Conference
Friday 12 April	Last day of term - Half day
15 to 26 April	Term Break - No school

Dear Parents,

It has been all go at KJS over the last week. We have had Mandarin consultations, the Agents of Change Congress, ESF Cross country, admissions interviews, initiated a very innovative library project in collaboration with CUHK, and had exciting learning going on in the classrooms. All this against the backdrop of concerns about the influenza season and the wellbeing of students and staff.

Let's talk about the flu first. The school is actively seeking advice from the EDB and ESF and is vigilant in monitoring reported cases and children presenting with symptoms. With this in mind, you will be aware the School PTA Disco was postponed this week to minimise risk, thank you for your understanding and support of this decision. You can help us by ensuring you keep your child away from school if he/she has symptoms. Overall we are satisfied with our management of the situation and thank Nurse Charlotte for her ongoing vigilance.

Last week we mentioned the InCAS (Year 3) and ISA (Years 4 and 6) data. This data will be made available next Friday (1st February) to coincide with the release of our student mid-year reports.

For those who are joining the ESF Family Run this weekend we wish you all the best. Hopefully, it will be a beautiful day for a family day out.

Take care, stay well and enjoy the week ahead.

Kind regards

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Neill O'Reilly

Principal

No Construction Club on Thursday]

Please be informed that Construction Club will be canceled this coming Thursday 24 January 2019. It will resume the following week. Please ask children to continue to bring in any cardboard or other materials they would like to use for their construction.

Warm regards,

Ms Rachel Kehoe

Library News - CUHK School of Architecture - KJS Library Project Survey]

KJS has initiated an innovative library project with CUHK School of Architecture. We invited CUHK to help us rethink, design and create a library space that would be inviting, fun and engaging for students.

Yesterday, CUHK came to KJS for a site visit where they visited our library and had the opportunity to interview different members of the school community for their input. Teachers, parents and students from across different year levels voiced their opinions and expressed conceptual descriptions on what made the ideal library.



To hear from more members of the school community, we invite you to take a few minutes to answer a survey. Thank you for your help.

PTA Update]

School Disco



The School Disco has been postponed to a later date due to the flu. Details of the new date will be released soon. For parents who have already purchased tickets, kindly hold onto them so they can be exchanged for new tickets at a later date. Parents who have not purchased tickets and would like to do so, please wait for the release of the new tickets.

The disco will take place in Term 2.

School Fair



Our school fair is on **Saturday, 16 March 2019**. We need all hands on deck so if you can spare an hour or two, please approach the PTA office and let us know. We need lots and lots of **volunteers**.

We are in need of **donations in cash and kind** for the fair. If you would like to contribute please let us know. We need items for **our school auction, our book sale and the White Elephant stall**. We would be grateful for any help and contribution we can get.

Our International Food Stalls are in need of team members and leaders. The stalls are very popular and if you would like to help or contribute please approach the PTA Administrative Staff and they will put you in touch with the right people.

Proceeds from the school fair are donated back to school. This year's fair raffle will help raise funds for the school to invest in **sustainable hands on learning resources for the children.** In previous years, the funds from our school fair went towards the development of our beautiful **Sky Garden** and our not-so-secret **Secret Gardens around school.**

Help us make a difference.

Get involved. Help us achieve our **Green Dream.**



The school has launched a new **library book bag** and a **sun hat**. Please stop by the PTA office to purchase these items. The library book bag has been created in an effort to **preserve our library books.** The new sun hat will offer **better protection for the children from the sun.** The previous hat was continuously worn the other way around offering children limited sun protection.

The PTA is also selling **red Lai See packets for the festive season.** The Lai See packets are of good, durable quality and can be used for the Lunar New Years to come. Do stop by and have a look.

We can only do what we do with your help. And we do what we do to bring the school community together. Thank you and we look forward to your continued support.



Our next PTA meeting will be on **Tuesday, 19 February 2019 at 4:30pm in the School Library.** Please note the change in time. The date remains the same.

Hope you have a great week!

Student Success

The celebration of student success will channel to our Facebook page. You can find the school's Facebook [here](#). Please keep the photos and stories coming of our children shooting the AAROW's of Success!

ESF and Other Notices]



Author Writing Workshop

23 - 26 April 2019

Taught by award-winning author, K.T. Durham, students will explore the world of fantasy fiction and beyond, learn techniques to write authentically and creatively, and craft story-telling skills to produce a sample chapter that would impress any book publisher.

Kathryn has been working as a Speech and Language Therapist since 2005. She holds a Master's degree in Speech Pathology Studies and a Bachelor's degree in Psychology (Honours) with a minor in Linguistics from the University of Queensland.

Venue: Kowloon Junior School
Ages: 9-11 years
Time: 9.00am - 12.00pm



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The poster features a collage of children participating in various sports: Basketball, Football, Tennis, Sports Cubs, Kung Fu, Gymnastics, and Swimming. The text includes 'ESF SPORTS 英基 運動', 'Open to ALL', 'Term 2 Enrolling Now', and 'New automated pro-rata system'. A list of reasons to choose ESF Sports is provided, along with contact information and social media icons.

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