

Newsletter- 24/10/18



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Dates for Your Diary]

Thursday 25 October	3 Way Conference (evening)
29 October to 1 November	Photo Days
Thursday 1 November	3-Way Conference (after school)
Friday 2 November	ESF Orchestra Day
Monday 5 November	Staff Continuous Professional Development Day - <u>No school</u>
Wednesday 7 November	Y1 Immunization
Thursday 8 November	Y1 Mandarin Consultation
Friday 9 November	Quiz Night / Bingo Night and Diwali Assembly 1:30pm (auditions after mid term break)
15 and 16 November	School Musical
27 to 30 November	Y5 Camp
3 to 7 December	Y6 Camp
Friday 14 December	Last day of term - <u>half day</u>
17 December to 4 January	Term Break - <u>No school</u>
Monday 7 January	First day of Term 2
Friday 11 January	Y6 Immunization

Dear Parents,

It was wonderful to see the children back today. The break was very timely to allow children to get over bugs and seasonal illnesses and we are raring to go with an exciting 8 weeks of great learning planned.

I want to remind you of the really important Three Way Conferences coming up this week and next. Please do bring your child, for us to ensure Success for Every Child we need to talk openly and honestly about progress to date and agreed next steps.

This week marks the birthday of one of the most influential educators of all time. John Dewey (1859-1952) was a teacher, an American philosopher, psychologist, and educational reformer who argued for children to learn through experience rather than rote learning, to learn from their mistakes rather than hide them and that learning is a social and interactive. He believed children should be active in their own learning and I would suggest he would be a strong advocate for children being present in meetings about their learning! In a lot of ways John Dewey set the scene for PYP learning and the IB philosophy. It is important to understand the origins of schools like KJS and organisations like ESF, we are so fortunate to be a continuation of such a progressive and innovative approach to schooling.

As you head into the Three Way conferences here is a reading regarding mistake making and productive struggle (both important ingredients for our maths programme at KJS) to support your discussions with your child and teacher.

I look forward to seeing you this week or next!

Kind regards

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Neill O'Reilly

Principal

Redress Clothing Drive]

The Year 4 students have organized a **Redress** clothing drive. Redress is an organization that is trying to cut down clothing waste in Hong Kong.



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Important Information:

You can help us by donating unwanted clothing in the boxes outside the office between **24 October to 16 November**.

Please donate good quality clothes for men, women and children including accessories and shoes. Please do not send in swimwear

and underwear or poor quality shoes.

Redress are working to stop this needless waste at both consumer and industry level.

Their #GETREDRESSED month offers opportunities to recycle and reuse unwanted clothing, learn about the impact the fashion industry has on the environment and understand more about sustainable fashion.

WHAT TO DONATE

- ✓ Good quality clothes, accessories and shoes for women, men and children.
- ✗ Swimwear, underwear, poor quality shoes and poor condition faux leather items.

Thank you for your support!

The Year 4 students

Chitt Chitty Bang Bang Rehearsal]

Parents please note that all cast members and choir will be expected to be at rehearsal on Saturday 3 November from 9:30am to 3:30pm. They should bring a snack and lunch, and parents should collect them at the end of the session.



PTA Update]

Welcome back everyone! Hope you had a great mid term break.

Our very first BINGO Night will be held on 9 November 2018 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Please click [here](#) for the details of the tickets and the event.

We look forward to meeting with you at this fun-filled social event.



Student Success

We are delighted families are regularly sharing their children's success at home with us at KJS. To help manage the large amount of information the school sends home, we will channel the celebration of success to our Facebook page leaving the newsletter with the key weekly messages and important dates. 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]

Quarry Bay School: Parent Workshop

URSTRONG

☆☆ THE LANGUAGE OF FRIENDSHIP ☆☆

Internationally-recognised friendship programme that empowers tweens with the skills, language, and self-confidence to be better friends and develop healthier relationships.

Through interactive parent and child activities, parents will learn strategies to help their child put out Friendship Fires®, how to put a voice to their feelings, and the best ways to support their child through unhealthy friendships.

☆☆ Thursday 25 October 2018 ☆☆

LANGUAGE OF FRIENDSHIP JR.	LANGUAGE OF FRIENDSHIP
Students in Years 1 to 2 plus parents	Students in Years 3 to 6 plus parents
Tickets are \$25 CAD per person Approximately 150 HKD	Tickets are \$25 CAD per person Approximately 150 HKD
4.30pm to 6.00pm	6.30pm to 8.00pm
REGISTER HERE	REGISTER HERE

Location
Quarry Bay School, Hall
6 Hau Yuen Path, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong

Registration Required!
Tickets to the workshop include a handout and an opportunity to ask questions one-on-one.

To register, please go to:
<https://www.urstrong.com/Events/>

To learn more about URSTRONG please visit
www.urstrong.com or email info@urstrong.com.

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Empower Kids!

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