

Newsletter- 26/06/19



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Dates for Your Diary]

Wednesday 26 June	Reports will go home today!
Thursday 27 June	Y6 Leavers' Assembly 2:00pm
Friday 28 June	Last day of school - <u>Half day (finishes at 12pm)</u>
Tuesday 13 August	First day of 2019/2020 school year
Monday 2 September	?You Tell Us' Meetings - <u>No school</u>
Thursday 12 September	CPD - <u>No school</u>
Monday 30 September	CPD - <u>No school</u>
Tuesday 1 October	National Day - <u>No school</u>
7 - 11 October	Mid-Term Break
Friday 13 December	Last day of term - <u>Half day</u>
16 December - 3 January	Term Break
Monday 6 January	First day of Term 2
Thursday 23 January	Last day of mid-term - <u>Half day</u>
24 - 31 January	Mid-Term Break
Monday 3 February	CPD - <u>No school</u>
Friday 14 February	CPD - <u>No school</u>
Saturday 14 March	School Fair

Friday 3 April	Last day of term - <u>FULL day</u>
6 - 17 April	Term Break
Monday 20 April	First day of Term 3
Thursday 30 April	Buddha's Birthday - <u>No school</u>
Friday 1 May	Labour Day - <u>No school</u>
Monday 4 May	KJS Self Review - <u>No school</u>
Wednesday 24 June	Last day of school - <u>FULL day</u>

Dear Parents,

The last week of the year is filled with mixed feelings for us at KJS. We farewell our Year 6 children, who have grown, learnt so much with us over the years, and have become close to our hearts. We also farewell families, who are ending their daily association with KJS, as they either move away or as their children move on to secondary schools. We also farewell staff, who are moving on for a variety of reasons.

This week we farewell teachers:

Annette Leone	Mhairi Wallace	Erica Siu
Stephen Davenport	Guiovanna Alarcon	Georgina Taylor

...and Educational Assistants:

Lizzie Sharp- Eliazar	RongRong Yao-Beckers	Morgan Lewis
Amrita Sunramanian	Wasal Khan	

...and leaving us for just one year:

Drew Yip	Stacey Lord
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We thank the staff for their dedication and service and wish them and the students who will be leaving KJS, all the very best for their next steps. We are pleased to advise that due to the high quality of applicants, we have been able to fully staff KJS with exceptional staff to join our team for the year ahead. We certainly are fortunate to have such a high calibre of staff to teach and care for your children.

If this is the last KJS newsletter for you as a family, we hope your association has been a positive one and thank you for your commitment to KJS over the years.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the whole team at KJS for their dedication, professionalism, hard work and positivity as they have worked to ensure 'Success for Every Child' at KJS. I also want to thank you, our parents, for partnering with us. Together we can achieve great things! Keep your eye out in the next few days on our **Facebook** page to see the final updates and celebrations of the 2018/29 year.

We wish you all a safe and joyful summer of family time. Do enjoy the change in pace and the opportunity to create special family memories.

Kind regards

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Neill O'Reilly

Principal

Important Notice for 2019/20 Parent

If you are purchasing a new school bag for your child our school bag is the correct choice. Please do not purchase bags with wheels as children cannot use 'wheelie bags' at school for health and safety reasons. Please also check the uniform requirements before purchasing shoes and socks. Only fully black and fully white shoes are suitable (not a mix of black and white).

Donation Raised - Y5 Market Day and Y6 Exhibition

A total of HKD26,055.90 was raised in the past few weeks. Thank you for your generosity.

Donation from Y5 Market Day

HKD14,263.30 - Donation to go to 'World Wildlife Fund'

Donation from Y6 Exhibition (several groups of children involved)

HKD6,150 - Donation to go to 4 charities 'Enrich HK / Sai Kung Stray Friends / Hong Kong Dog Rescue / The Climate Group'

HKD2,568.5 - Donation to go to 'Animals Asia'

HKD1,865 - Donation to go to 'Room to Read' *

HKD709.1 - Donation to go to 'Conservation International'

HKD422 - Donation to go to 'Sous Les Dechets La Plage'

HKD78 - Donation to go to 'Medicins San Frontieres'

* Winners of the paintings for the parties who donated the most to this group

- Parents of Anabelle Lee 6A
- Parents of Kaden Yeung 6E
- Parents of Audrey Lee 6E
- KJS Staff - Ms Rani Alwani

Update - Pre-order of 2018-2019 Yearbook

Pre-order of 2018-2019 Yearbook is completed. During the first week of August, we will send out an email containing payment details to parents who placed an order.

Should you wish to have a copy but have not placed a pre-order, please wait for our further update. If we have any stock left due to last minute withdrawal, we will announce it through our weekly newsletter in August/September.

Unusual Reading Spot Contest



Kowloon Junior School Library is excited to host our **first** annual **Unusual Reading Spot Contest!**

This summer, share your love of reading by showing us the unusual and interesting places where you can read. It can be a place you visit this summer, someplace in Hong Kong, or just a weird place in your home: it's up to you! **We know you love to read EVERYWHERE!**

Contest Rules and Details

In the photos, students should be **visibly reading a book** and we should **clearly be able to see the book cover**. Remember, KJS students only! One entry per KJS student.

Deadline: Friday 30 August 2019

Contest Rules: Participating students must turn in a 4? x 6? or 5? x 7? photo print on photo paper of their contest entry. Sorry, entries cannot be emailed.

After the summer, submissions will be voted on by a panel of judges and the winning images will then need to provide a digital version of their image. Photos taken should be in the **highest resolution** your camera will allow so that we can enlarge it for display in the Library. Note: minimum resolution pixel dimensions are 1840 x 2300; optimum resolution pixel dimensions are 2400 x 3000 or higher.

Please **do not use ?camera phone? photos** as resolutions are not high enough to be enlarged and printed for display.

Finally, please **do not Photoshop or edit the photo** in any manner. We would like the photo to be as authentic as possible.

Reminder to Children Leaving KJS

For children who will not be returning to KJS for the 2019/2020 school year, please be reminded to copy to a thumb drive all of your child's school records from Gateway, as access to the system will not be available after departure

Residential Address Update on Gateway

If your family will be moving or changing residential address over the summer, please be reminded to update accordingly on Gateway, especially for next year's Year 6 children, as transition to Year 7 will be processed according to **current residential at the time of application**.

KJS Parents With Siblings]

Referring from an ESF press release dated 8 March 2019 (click **here** for the full article):

?Students joining the first year of an ESF kindergarten from August 2020 will be guaranteed a place at an ESF primary and secondary school, if they can benefit from a mainstream education.

?Students will now be able to move seamlessly through the ESF education system from K1 to Year 13 without the need for further interviews.?

If you have a younger child who is born in 2017 and wishes to join the ESF family, he/she should be eligible to apply for an ESF kindergarten this September to start in the 2020/2021 school year. More detail will be posed on the ESF website over the summer.



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Summer Baking Camp]



The poster is for a 'Summer Camp Baking Science' program. It features a collage of images showing children in chef hats baking various items like cakes, cookies, and breads. The text includes the camp's schedule, contact information for Ms. Hong, and a list of activities and learning objectives for the 'Junior Bakers' (Age 5-11).

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Summer Camp

WEEK 1: July 8 - 12
WEEK 2: July 15 - 19
9:00 am – 12:00 noon

Baking Science

Junior Bakers Age 5-11

- Learn about science through baking and conduct fun science experiments every day.
- Bake and decorate: cakes, cookies, cake pops, breads and savory treats.
- Learn baking techniques: mix, sift, whisk, fold, roll, shape and pipe.
- Build teamwork and confidence when following recipe instructions.
- Bring home delicious creations to share with family and try all the recipes at home.
- Taught by international primary/secondary teacher (B.Ed./B.Sc./CELTYL) and cake designer.
- ESF Kowloon Junior School
20 Perth Street, Homantin, Kowloon

Contact: Ms. Hong
flourhk@hotmail.com
www.facebook.com/flourhk

Please click [here](#) for more information about the summer baking camp offered by Ms Hong.

PTA Update



The PTA had its final event of the year yesterday by celebrating and being thankful for all our helpers, or as we call them fondly, Aunties.

We had a great turnout at our Aunty Appreciation Afternoon. Our guest speaker, Ms. Liza Avelino spoke about plastic, reducing its use and how we can all help clean up plastic waste in Hong Kong. The PTA would like to thank Ms. Macy Lau, our librarian as well as Audrey Lee, Jayden Chan, Krishna Bhojwani, Azara Moolchandani and Priyana Sujamani from Year 6. Azara and Priyana gave a short talk about rights of domestic helpers in Hong Kong.



On this note allow me, on behalf of the entire PTA committee of 2018-19, to thank each and everyone of you for your support of the PTA this year. We look forward to future collaborations in 2019-20.

I wish you and your families a fantastic summer holiday.

Kind regards,

Saloni Melwani

Chair, KJS PTA



ESF and Other Notices]



ESF 英基 LANGUAGE & LEARNING 語言及學習中心

Language & Learning
Summer 2019 Camp
at ESF Kowloon Junior School

Open to All

8 Jul - 2 Aug

- (3-4, 4-5, 6-8 years) **Eager Explorers** ◦
- (P1 starters) **Primary Preparation** ◦
- (6-8 years) **Reader's Theatre** ◦
- (6-8, 9-11 years) **Science** ◦
- (6-8, 9-11 years) **Writing** ◦
- (6-8, 9-13 years) **Essential English** ◦
- (7-11 years) **Spanish** ◦

Full Day Camp - Language + Sports ◦

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ESF Language



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!

Disclaimer:

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If you do not wish to receive our newsletters by email, you may contact the school office at office@kjs.edu.hk to opt out. Our newsletters will still be accessible on our website <https://www.kjs.edu.hk/kjs-news/>.

In accordance with our Personal Data Handling Policy, Kowloon Junior School and English Schools Foundation may place your child's photos, name, school work, activities and accomplishments in our newsletters or other publications (including but not limited to our websites and social media sites). If you would like to opt out, please email the school office at office@kjs.edu.hk.