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Kennedy School Newsletter

No. 37, 16 June 2017



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

When it rains it pours! This week we have been inundated with wet, wild and windy mornings which have left us all a little bit soggy. Can I encourage parents to invest in the Kennedy School raincoat instead of umbrellas as 500 umbrellas blowing all over the place are quite dangerous and we had a few close calls this week. Today we had the traditional ground breaking ceremony at school before the summer building works commence on our new lifts and Secret Garden.

Kennedy Sports

Another successful week on the sporting front with a special mention to our A Biathlon Team that won the ESF Biathlon last Saturday in a very impressive time.

Two weeks to go and a busy two weeks it will be.

Enjoy the weekend.

JOHN BREWSTER, PRINCIPAL



2017	JUNE DATES
17 JUN	3RD INTERNATIONAL ZHOU YOUGUANG CUP CHINESE TALENT SHOW
21 JUN	YR5 TRIP TO CROSS ROADS
22 JUN	YEAR 6 SHOW 6PM - BUGSY MALONE
24 JUN	3RD INTERNATIONAL ZHOU YOUGUANG CUP CHINESE TALENT SHOW - 6PM AWARD CEREMONY
28 JUN	YEAR 6 GRADUATION 5.00 PM
30 JUN	LAST DAY OF TERM - HALF DAY FINISH AT 12PM

SNEAK PEEK

KENNEDY SCHOOL YEARBOOK 2017 WILL BE ARRIVING AT THE SCHOOL ON THE 26TH JUNE 2017. ALL PRE-ORDERED COPIES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THE FINAL WEEK OF SCHOOL. HAVE YOU PRE-ORDERED YOUR COPY? ORDERS CAN BE MADE AT RECEPTION.



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MESSAGE FROM THE NURSE

The Education Bureau and the CHP are asking the community to stay vigilant against the spread of Influenza and other Respiratory Infections.

The government has seen an increase in outbreaks of Influenza within the past few weeks, and are therefore recommending that parents check their child's temperature daily before sending him/her to school. Influenza A & B, also called the flu, is caused by a virus. Flu symptoms usually begin quickly, they will appear 1-7 days after having been in contact with the virus. Some of the symptoms like fever will normally begin to go away after 2-4 days, however a person with Influenza is often contagious from 1 day before symptoms start to 5-7 days after. Symptoms may include: Fever above 38,8C/102F, body aches, dizziness, headache, lack of energy, nausea and vomiting, runny nose, sore throat and coughing.

Influenza mainly spreads by contact with nose or throat discharges, saliva, or after touching contaminated objects.

There is no specific treatment for Influenza and antibiotics will normally not have any effect on the flu virus. The infected person should drink plenty of water and take adequate rest, and may receive symptomatic treatment to reduce fever and pain. In most cases, a child's body, with the help of the immune system, will get rid of the virus over time.

To avoid spreading the disease to other people in the household, please make sure that the infected person covers his/her mouth when coughing or sneezing (if using a tissue, discard straight away); washes hands frequently and always after having been outside, after going to the toilet, before eating and after wiping/blowing nose, coughing and sneezing. Please encourage the infected person not to share eating utensils.

Should your child show any symptoms of sickness, please keep your child at home and consult your doctor if needed. Any child with a fever is required to stay home an additional 48 hours after the temperature has come down to normal (below 37.5C/99.5F) without the use of fever reducing medication. Viral infections are very contagious; sending your child back to school before completely recovered will increase the risk of passing the virus on to others.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Kennedy School Health Professionals at nurse@kennedy.edu.hk or phone 2579 5613.

KENNEDY SWIMMING AND SUNSCREEN APPLICATION

As it is now heating up, please send your child to school with a rash vest if they have one and please apply sunscreen to your child before school. During the day the sun can be very strong and we want to prevent the children that are swimming from getting sun burnt.

SALLY CONNELL AND HENRIETTE TEUCHLER KENNEDY SCHOOL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS



MESSAGE FROM PTA - KENNEDY SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The lovely photographs that are taken at events such as Sports Day and Chinese New Year, are now available to purchase.

Currently pictures are available for:

International Rugby Day

Kennedy Tag Rugby tournament

Chinese New Year - Newly added to album

Year 2 - Old Fashioned School Day

Sports Day - Years 1 and 2

Sports Day - Years 3 and 4

Sports Day - Years 5 and 6

Year 4 show

Year 2 - Community Day - newly added to album

If you would like to order a copy of a photograph you may do so through the PTA Office - they will be printed on photograph paper in glossy format in a choice of 4R, 5R or A4 sizes.

Photograph Order Form

Please note that not all children are featured in the photographs for a particular event, and if your child is not in one of the pictures in our current album - it may be that they will be for future events.



GREEN NEWS











WHITE BUTTERFLY

INDOOR AIR POLLUTION

With our modern obsession to be 'germ and bug free', our use of chemical cleaners are turning our indoor air into a toxic soup. Here are some great plants which will help to clean your indoor air. They are easily available around Hong Kong. I've found the best selection at the Flower Market near Prince Edward MTR station.



2017-2018 BOOK LIST

The new Battle of the Books (BoB) book list is now out. If you're going to be in Year 5 and Year 6 next year and you think you might be interested in joining this club, then start reading these books over the holidays. Even if you don't want to join BoB, then we would still recommend that you check these books out. The BoB books are always a great selection of interesting fiction books for ages 8-10.

These books will be available for you to borrow when you come back to school in August. In the meantime, you can borrow them from the Hong Kong Public Library.

If you want to find out more about the competition then take a look at the HKBOB website.

https://sites.google.com/site/ hkbattleofthebooks/home

TITLE	AUTHOR
The Great Wall of Lucy Wu	Wendy Wan-Long Shang
Save Me a Seat	Sarah Weeks/Gita Varadarajan
Finn Family Moomintroll	Tove Jansson
Heartsong	Kevin Crossley-Holland
Because of Winn-Dixie	Kate DiCamillo
The Doll People	Anne M Martin
PAX	Sara Pennypacker
The Rescuers	Margery Sharp
The War that Saved My Life	Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
Castle Hangnail	Ursula Vernon
Wild Robot	Peter Brown
Wolf Hollow	Lauren Wolk
The Girl Who Drank the Moon	Kelly Barnhill
Rowan of Rin	Emily Rodda
Fish in a Tree	Lynda Mullaly Hunt
Molly Moon's Incredible Book of Hypnotism	Georgia Byng
Mr Popper's Penguins	Richard & Florence Atwater
The Penderwicks	Jeanne Birdsall
Under the Egg	Laura Marx Fitzgerald
The Bolds	Julian Clary

MESSAGE FROM THE P.E. DEPARTMENT

AQUAKIDZ SWIMMERS OF THE WEEK

NEIL BEED 5A - The teacher has been impressed by Neil's hard work during the lessons. Neil has now mastered the correct freestyle breast stroke timing. Good job!

DESTIN LAU 1M - Shows very good behaviour and concentration in his swimming lesson. This has resulted in a much improved freestyle kick this term. Good job Destin!

THEO WATTS 3T - Always listens quietly and carefully to the teacher's instructions. Theo has responded very well to feedback and has worked hard to improve his technique.

OLIVE CHIU 5J - Super effort during her lessons. Olive is always able to demonstrate great technique to her classmates.

LUCAS RUMMUM 6S - Has shown great improvement with his butterfly sprint practices which resulted in an excellent Year 6 swim gala performance. Go Lucas!

GRACE EATHORNE 4J - Demonstrated a very positive attitude to her lessons. Grace has worked hard to correct her bilateral breathing on freestyle.

SOPHIE YOUNG 4S - Performed excellent standing dives for class demonstrations. Sophie has also shown good development with her back stroke starts.

RISHAAN DADLANI 1A - Super torpedos performed in the lesson. Rishaan also swam confidently without his goggles on. Well done Rishaan!

ATHENA YANG 4M - Beautiful back stroke demonstrated to the class! Athena swam with a smooth, long, continuous arm action. Great effort!

EMMA GREEN 5S - Performed beautiful dives from the start block. Awesome work Emma!



A MESSAGE FROM OUR SWIMMING PROVIDER AQUADKIDZ

Our Water Safety Week got off to a great start this week with the Year 1s and 2s learning all about staying safe in water, whether it be in a swimming pool or open water. With the summer holidays almost upon us, it was great to be able to reinforce this critical safety message.

The children tried out 'reach' rescues and 'throwing rescues' as well as safe entries into deep/unknown waters, treading water and different ways to float. Some groups also had a chance to remove their extra clothing and perform reach rescues using the items. All rescues were performed from the poolside to keep our young swimmers safe from potential danger.

We tested the children's knowledge with lots of questions about water safety and were very impressed by many of the answers that we received. Our swimmers were fascinated to discover that a large 5 litre empty water bottle is great for holding onto and floating!

We would like to thank everyone so far this week for remembering to bring in their white / light coloured clothing we had an awesome turn out!

AQUAKIDZ SWIM SCHEDUAL THIS WEEK 19TH - 23RD JUNE







The swimming schedule for the week is below. Please ensure your child brings the correct kit on their swimming day:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
June	June	June	June	June
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		Y6 Show	Y6 Show	
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KENNEDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



ESF AQUATHON

Congratulations to our fabulous Aquathon Squad for their efforts at the two events last week.

Team Courageous and Dynamite did us proud at the JCSR Aquathon on Friday.

Team Brilliant can be extremely pleased with a top ten finish at the ESF Aquathon on Saturday morning.

Team Awesome were outstanding and won the event by over three minutes. Special congratulations to Leila for winning the individual girls event, a fantastic achievement.

A huge thank you to Mrs. Sheward, Mrs. Khemlyani and Mrs Ridley for their time and effort helping to prepare the four teams.







DB YR5 SWIM SQUAD

Another successful day in tropical Discovery Bay for the Kennedy School Y5 Swim Squad. The team performed extremely well to finish third overall. This is a team event with a Girls Competition and a Boys Competition. Every point counted towards our overall score. The Boys Team were outstanding, winning their side of the event with nine top three finishes out of eleven races. William Wu was our star winning more bling than Mr. T with three gold medals.

This was a great experience for all the children and good preparation for the Y6 DC Swim Meet next year.

A huge thank you to coach Kaley and Mrs. Khemlyani for their help with preparing the squad.



KENNEDY SCHOOL TRI-SUITS

Please click the link below if you would like to purchase a personalised trisuit in the Kennedy colours for your child. The trisuits are not branded with the Kennedy School logo so they will be suitable for any events your child may enter. Please use the link below to access the online shop: http://click-kit.com/teamshop/kennedyschool

Password - kennedyschool Please enter the VOUCHER code: KS so that the price you pay is 710HK

The VOUCHER code will close on 30th August 2017. Please enter your delivery address in the comments box - a local courier charge of between \$15-50HKD will be payable upon delivery.

The turnaround time is between two to three weeks.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHINESE DEPARTMENT

中華文化狀元(國際)選拔賽—香港

The 3rd International Zhou Youguang Cup Chinese Talent Show (Hong Kong), 2017

Dear Parents,

I am pleased to announce that this year we have a large number of participants (total = 327) attending The 3rd International Zhou Youguang Cup Chinese Talent Show, and more than half of them are non native speakers (n = 177).

Notice and Participants Name Lists stating registration time, competition time and venue have been sent to parents of the participants. You may also check the arrangements of the show through the following links:

1. Notice to ALL Participants

2. Non Chinese Participants List

3. Chinese Participants List

Competition Date: 17th June, 2017

Time: 9:00am to 2:00pm

Registration Venue: Lower Playground, Kennedy School (ESF)

The Use of Competition Rooms:

For safety reasons, all participants will need to stay in their competition room till that section finishes. Then they will be

led out by volunteers. Parents will not be invited to enter the competition room.

On the competition date, parents and the waiting participants are invited to join Kennedy's book fair. The fair will be located at Kennedy's playground. The Committee has organised three publishers to display their books there.

Other Notes:

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• Participants please present yourself neatly to the competition venue (wearing Chinese costumes will be preferable).

• Hard Pencil and scripts will be provided for calligraphy competition, there is no need to bring you own pen.

• For Spoken competition items, please bring with your scripts and hand it to the volunteers.

- There is no parking service.
- If hazardous weather signal is hoisted by Hong Kong Observatory, the arrangement will be informed accordingly.

Denggao Zeng Head of Chinese dzeng@kennedy.edu.hk

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL ASSEMBLIES



This week our SRC reps from Years 2 - 6 led all three phase assemblies. They introduced our 'Stand Together' campaign, which encourages children to be Upstanders when they see unkind behaviour or bullying at school. The SRC reps did a brilliant job of explaining to everyone the four actions we can take when we see this kind of behaviour taking place:

- 1. Be a Buddy
- 2. Interrupt
- 3. Speak Out
- 4. Tell Someone

They even made up and presented role plays to show us how we might do these things and what we might say. Thank you SRC reps - you did a wonderful job. Well done!







KENNEDY SCHOOL JOB LISTING

REPROGRAPHIC ASSISTANT

Responsibilities

We are seeking to appoint a Reprographic Assistant to facilitate the effective operation of our Reprographics Room and maintenance of resources.

Responsibilities

- Maintain stock of consumable resources and liaise with suppliers to order and purchase stationery, exercise books, art materials and teaching resources in a timely, responsive and flexible manner.
- Essential responsibilities will include photocopying, scanning, laminating, binding and data entry.
- Provide support to staff in the preparation of teaching resources and materials.
- Help to organise and keep track of teaching materials and equipment in the Resources Room.

Requirements

The successful candidate will need to have good interpersonal and communication skills, competent ICT knowledge, particularly in the use of Word and Excel. Experience in admin/office environment is preferred. A good command of English is essential and knowledge of Cantonese is an advantage.

The role is self managing and good time management is essential.

Applicants must be a permanent Hong Kong resident or possess a valid visa to work in Hong Kong.

Closing Date: 19 Jun 2017

For enquiries, please contact Joanna Lim at +852 2855 0711 or jlim@kennedy.edu.hk.

To apply please click on the link below:

https://recruit.esf.edu.hk/

ACTIVITIES BY EXTERNAL AGENCIES

Click on the following links to view advertisements for after school activities provided by external agencies and ESF Educational Services.

DAY	ACTIVITY	PROVIDER
VARIOUS	FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TENNIS, GYMNASTICS, KUNG FU, NETBALL, SCIENCE, WRITING CLASS, JAPANESE CLASS, DANCE, SPANISH	ESF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
VARIOUS	SCIENCE ADVENTURES, STORMY CHEFS, MISSION RUNWAY	ACTIVE KIDS
VARIOUS	STEM CODING	KIP MCGRATH EDUCATION CENTRES
MONDAY	DRAMA, SPEECH & COMMUNICATION CLASSES	STARLIT VOICE
MONDAY	DIY WORKSHOPS	BRAINCHILD
MONDAY	<u>CHESS LESSONS</u>	HOYINPING CHESS
MONDAY	<u>FABRIC FUN</u>	FABRIC ART
VARIOUS	FOUNDATION'S ORATOR, FILMAKER & NOVELIST	FOUNDATION ACADEMY
WEDNESDAY	BRICKS 4 KIDZ	ELITE BRICKS
THURSDAY	DISCOVERY DOME	ASTRO CLUB
THURSDAY	<u>ART CLASSES</u>	BANANA ART NEW
FRIDAY	CREATIVE WRITING AND PUBLISHING	ELEPHANT COMMUNITY PRESS

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1010 x ESF 50th Anniversary Visual Arts Exhibition 16 June 2017 - 14 July 2017

1010 Tsim Sha Tsui Centre

Address: 1/F, Shop 9-11, Hong Kong Pacific Centre, 28 Hankow Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon

Island School, King George V School, Sha Tin College, South Island School, West Island School, Discovery College, Renaissance College

A registration platform for the Education Talks have been setup via Eventbrite, registration link: https://esf50exhibition.eventbrite.com.au



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KENNEDY SCHOOL CALENDAR

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2017/2018

1. Term 1 2017 (85 days including 2 CPD day)

	August	September	October	November	December
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2. Term 2 2018 (53 days including 1 CPD days)

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TOTAL: 190 SCHOOL DAYS INCLUDING 5 CPD DAYS (see note 2)

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1 Calendar constructed to allow: one week mid-term break in Term 1; 3 week break at Christmas; 10 day mid-term break in Term 2; and 2 week + 1 day break at Easter; year end in June.

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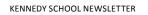
- 2 A Term 1 ESF CPD day date has been set for all schools. Additionally, all schools will need to identify 4 further CPD days.
- 3 School will close at 12 noon at the end of term on 15 December 2017, 29 March 2018 and 29 June 2018.

As Thursday 15 February is the day before Chinese New Year, school will close at 12 noon.

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4 Start date for 2018/2019 shown for indication only. We recommend individuals and families avoid making travel plans for August 2018 until the school start date and back to school work date are confirmed.

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