

Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon)



Episodes

Open Day

The Open Day held on 14 March 2003 (Friday) was a great function for the school. The day began with the Opening ceremony, which was immediately followed by the Passing Out Parade of Flight 6002, Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps. These two events marked the great success of the day.



Sikh Temple, Hong Kong; Mrs Purviz R. SHROFF, Former President of the Indian Women's Club; Mr Clarence TO, PMSM, Chief Superintendent, Mongkok Police Station, Hong Kong Police Force; Mr Balvinder SINGH and Mr Muhammad BOOTA, Chairman and Vice-chairman of the Parents-Teachers' Association; Ms Ophelia CHEUNG and Mrs Cynthia LUK, School Management Committee members.

The Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony was officiated by Mrs Joyce LUI, the Chief School Development Officer, Yau Tsim Mong District, Regional Education Office, Education & Manpower Bureau. Guests invited to take part in the Ribbon-cutting Ceremony included the Honourable TSANG Yok-sing, Executive Councillor & Legislative Councillor, GBS, JP; Mr Zaheer Pervaiz KHAN,



Consul (Consular) Consulate General of Republic of Pakistan; Mr K.M. Malik AWAIN, Yau Tsim Mong District Council Member; Mr Bawa Singh DHILLON, Chairman of the

In a rousing speech by Mrs Joyce LUI, she reminded us that "The great aim of education is not knowledge but action." She stated that "We all know that the fundamental purpose of our school education is to develop students' potential, to equip them with the knowledge, skills and attributes, to help prepare them lead a full life as individuals in the society. But it is the courage and commitment to put our purpose to action that our goals can be achieved and our school education can be improved." The commitment shown by the attendance of so many noteworthy guests deserves a big "Thank you!"

Entertainment and Refreshments

The entertainment programme, which comprised singing by "The Disciples", an Indian dance and a modern dance was followed by refreshments that were served in the Student Activity Centre. There were delicious Nepalese, Indian, Filipino and Pakistani dishes prepared by the parents. We must say "Thank you," to the following parents for their enthusiastic support: Mrs Rachel Orena, Mrs Emma

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Villa, Mrs Vicente, Mrs Mallari, Mrs Badilla, Mr Balvinder Singh, Mr Bawa Kulvinder Singh, Mr Jamil Raghbi and Mr Ganesh Bahadur.



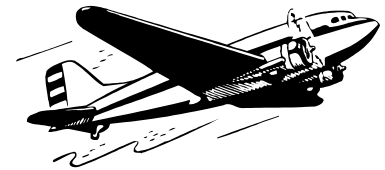
The Passing Out Parade of Flight 6002



unit was upgraded to Squadron status, with its members given the title 'Basic Cadet'. Mr TO also noted with great pleasure that our unit was representative of several key, and ultimately distinct national or ethnically identifiable groups which form part of the overall community of Hong Kong. "In you I see the future of our city," he told our students, teachers and parents.

After the opening ceremony, all the guests and parents were invited to go to the basketball court where the Passing Out Parade of Flight 6002,

Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps took place. As Mr TO Chun-wai, Chief Superintendent of Police, informed us during his speech, Flight 6002 was formally established in November 2002 and the parade was a culmination of several months' training and effort, during which the unit received training in a wide variety of areas. After the parade, the



A Time Capsule

To commemorate the setting up of the 601 Squadron of the Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps in Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon), a Time Capsule containing key documents and photos, was placed in a flowerbed in the covered

playground. The ceremony was officiated by Mr TO Chun-wai, Chief Superintendent of Police, District Commander of Mong Kok District and witnessed by Mr TSE Sik-yan, our Principal, and members of the Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps. All Basic Cadets also shared in the joy of the ceremony.



Special Events / Activities

Events	Organizers	Date	Students
Inter-school Athletics Championship	H.K. Schools Sports Federation	12, 21, 27.02.03	S1-S5
Talk on Love & Dating	Guidance & Counseling Committees	13.02.03	S1-S2 girls
Parents' Day		14.02.03	S1-S4
Inter-house Basketball Competition	P.E. Department	17.02.03 – 07.03.03	S1-S5
Career Aspirations	Careers Guidance & Counselling Committee and Unison	17.02.03	S1-S5
Inter-school Basketball Competition	Hong Kong Schools Sports Association	18.02.03	School Basketball Team
Talk on Theft & Consequences	Discipline Committee and H.K. Police Force	19.02.03	S1-S5
Talk on Racial Harmony	Guidance & Counselling Committee and Discipline Committee	20.02.03	S1
Talks on 'How to Say No' and 'Being Responsible'	Guidance & Counselling Committee and Discipline Committee	20-21.02.03	S3-S4 girls S3-S4 boys
Talk on Career Paths for S5 Students	Careers Guidance & Counselling Committee and Unison	25.02.03	S5
Visit to Stanley Correctional Institution	Discipline Committee and Guidance & Counselling Committee	05.03.03	S1-S4
Visit to Labour Department Information Centre	Careers Guidance & Counselling Committee	06-07.03.03	S5
Open Day	All	14.03.03	All
Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps Passing Out Parade	Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps	14.03.03	Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps members
S3 Parents' Talk: Streaming and the Choice of Subjects in S4	Careers Guidance & Counselling Committee	17.03.03	S3 and Parents
Opening Ceremony of Multiple Intelligences Month	Cross-curricular Committee & Discipline Committee	17.03.03	S1-S5
Visit to Star Leo	Travel & Tourism Department	21.03.03	S4 Travel & Tourism students
Cultural Exchange Programme: English Language Camp	English Department & Yaumati Catholic Primary School	22.03.03	S3-S4 and P.4 of Yaumati Catholic Primary School
Athletic Training Programme: Challenge Day	The Leisure and Cultural Services Department	22.03.03	S1-S4
Adventure Training Camp	Guidance & Counselling Committee and Hong Kong Playground Association	21-25.03.03	S3
English Debating Course	English Department and English for Asia Ltd.	20.2.03 - 9.4.03	S4

Talk on Streaming and the Choice of Subjects in S4

S3 students are about to make the first major decision of their lives! They have to decide what stream and what subjects to study in S4, which may affect their future studies and careers. However, there is no need to worry about their decision-making as their parents will help them to make the right choice, thanks to the Careers Guidance and Counseling Committee, which held a talk on Streaming and the Choice of Subjects in S4 for S3 students and parents on 17th March, 2003.

Briefed by Mr. Lam Hon-ching, our Assistant Principal, and panel chairpersons of various departments, our students were

informed ideas about streams and subjects offered next year and more importantly, were told about what areas each subject covers and what requirements they must fulfill. They get knowledge about facts, but they were also enlightened by a group of S4 students who shared their experience on

how they chose their streams and subjects last year. "Don't follow your friends' choices. Listen to your heart as you are the person who knows best what you like and what you are good at!" said Raghbi Shahab, an S4 big brother. Words of peers are sometimes more impressive than those of teachers!



When making their choices about next year, S3 students should place more emphasis on their interests and abilities, as explained by Mrs. Lee Chu Lai-kuen, our Teacher-in-charge of the Careers Committee.

English Camp for P4 Students

March 22nd 2003 was a memorable day for Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon) as it played host to an English Camp for P4 students from Yaumati Catholic Primary School. The camp was held after the two schools took part in a similar project last year, and the enthusiasm shown by the 36 student helpers from our school, the 102 'campers' and the teachers involved from both schools was proof that the bond between the two schools has remained strong.

The project had two main aims: to help Primary 4 students overcome the psychological barrier of speaking and using English, and to develop the leadership potential of secondary school students. In other words, our students acted as 'teachers' for the primary school students, leading them through a variety of English-based activities which enriched both parties.



The day started at 9:00 a.m. when the coaches pulled into the school car park. The excitement was plain to see as the campers were led to the hall for introductions and a stirring performance of

the Camp Song. Then everyone went to the classrooms for a series of English-based games and activities. A fun yet educational time was had by all, and at 11:45 a.m. everyone returned to the hall for more activities and the awards ceremony, which was attended by both Mr. Tse and Mr. Tsoi, the Principals of our two schools.

Two guests from SCOLAR, Ms Virginia Ng and Mr. Harris Kam, also took part in the proceedings.

At 12:30 it was time to head home and



everyone paraded down to the coaches. E-mail addresses were exchanged as campers scurried onto the buses, clutching their

camp books and sporting their camp T-shirts. When the coaches finally departed our Camp Leaders reflected on the words of the Camp Song that were being sung by the campers, "English leads us on the road". Indeed it does.

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