

Sir Ellis K adoorie Secondary School (West K owloon)



Episodes

Open Day

This year's Open Day was held on 5th March 2004.

The guest of honour presiding the opening ceremony was Mr Chris Wardlaw, the Chairman of the School Management Committee. Other guests invited to take part in the ribbon cutting ceremony included Mr Basant K. Gupta, Consul General of India; Mr Madhav P.

Ghimire, Consul General of Nepal, Mr Z a h e e r K h a n , Consul (Consular) General of Pakistan; Mrs Purviz S h r o f f ,

Former President of Indian Women's Club; Dr Albert Cheuk, District Commander of Mongkok District; Mr Balvinder Singh, Chairman of PTA; Ms Ophelia Cheung, J.P. and Mrs Cynthia Luk, Community Members of the School Management Committee.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony was followed by an official donation ceremony. The Consul (Consular) of India donated to the school library

some very good Hindi books while the Consul General of Pakistan brought along with him some Urdu books for the Urdu students. Mrs Shroff, who has always been a generous benefactor of the school, donated \$20,000 to the school. Their great support to the school was very much appreciated.

The entertainment programme included a band, a Nepalese Dance and a Modern Dance. The Nepalese Dance and the Modern Dance participated in the Interschool Dance Festivals. The former obtained the Commended Award while the latter obtained the Highly Commended Award.

Acknowledgement must also be given to the following PTA parent



members who helped prepare the various national cuisines for refreshments served after the ceremony in the Student Activity Centre. They included Mr Syed Jamil Raghibi, Mrs

M a r i e t t a Chengalath, Mrs Gemma Oconer, Mr Phagami Ganesh Bahadur, Mr Russell Vincent, and Mrs Maria Vivian Hung.

Among all the beautifully decorated display boards by the students, there were two with photographs showing the PTA members and activities. These two boards were made by two PTA members. Thank you, Mrs Gemma Oconer and Mrs Maria Vivian Hung, for your help and enthusiastic support.

A final big 'Thank you' to all



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the guests and parents who always give so much support to the school and our students by visiting the school on our Open Day.



Guidance Activities

16.1.2004

Theme: Anti-Drug & Anti-Smoking

Guest Speakers: Principal and Students from Christian Zheng Sheng College

Mr Chan Siu-cheuk, the Principal of CZSC, explained how he encouraged his students to turn over a new leaf, and discouraged students from taking drugs. The students from CZSC talked about the pain and suffering they had experienced, and finally how they determined to live a new life. The sharing was invaluable.



Careers

12.3.2004

Theme: “How to Improve Job Hunting Opportunities”

Guest Speaker: Mr Lim, Managing Director of Profiles of Hong Kong Ltd.

Mr Lim gave a talk explaining the present employment situation in Hong Kong and drew the students’ attention to what to pay attention to during a job interview. After the talk, mock interviews were also conducted with some of the S.4 students. The S.4 and S.5 students who attended the talk found it interesting and practical.

11.2.2004 & 19.2.2004

Theme: Myths on Sex and Love Triangle

The workshops were conducted by social workers from Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service – Multicultural Service for South Asian Ethnic Minorities

The workshop aimed to make students understand the myths on sex, risk factors, love triangle – the readiness to have sexual activity, attitude towards opposite sex, how to control sexual impulses and the consequences of having sexual activity.

15.3.2004

Theme: S.3 Parents’ Talk on Choice of Subjects for S.4

Teachers teaching subjects offered in S.4 were invited to give a brief introduction of their subjects to all the S.3 students. Then a number of S.4 students shared their experiences of how they made their choices in the previous year. This sharing session was especially useful to the S.3 students.

5.2.2004 & 6.2.2004

Two S3 Day Camps were held at Hong Kong Playground Association Outdoor Recreation Camp, Silvermine Bay, Lantau Island.

All S.3 students could join the one-day camp free of charge. S3A and S3C went on 5.2.2004 and S3B and S3D on 6.2.2004. In the camp, the students learnt how to accept and co-operate with others and problem-solving skills through some well-designed outdoor and indoor games. All participants enjoyed the camp.

February to April, 2004

Theme: Race for Mentors (R4M) –

This scheme is a pilot project that brings skill and experience of corporate volunteers to the youth of Hong Kong. It is sponsored by Credit Suisse First Boston (CSFB). Nineteen of our S.3 and S.4 students take part. The goals of the project are to provide for the participants: Guidance on career prospects, insights on decisions and an opportunity for the students to talk and share experiences and concerns with an older “Buddy” for the students from “minority groups”.



The project has been designed to increase the self-esteem and self-confidence of ethnic minority students, provide them with exposure into a work environment and high achieving individuals that they may not otherwise have, and empower them with skills required to apply for and maintain a job and develop a career.

Assembly Talks

Health Education

17th February 2004

Guest speaker: Miss Amy Chan, a speech therapist

Miss Chan gave a very enlightening talk on how to protect our voice.

Careers

16th March 2004

Guest speaker: Miss Fiona Ho, from Hong Kong Employment Development Service Limited.

Miss Ho showed the students the recent employment rate and the job opportunities for South Asians in Hong Kong.



Actions! Actions! Actions!

Bodily kinesthetic talent is most prominent in the students of our school! This year sees the successes of the Hockey Team, Oriental Dance Team, Modern Dance Team and Cheering Team.

Our muscular and talented boys displayed their skills and privity in the Inter-School Boys Hockey Competition 2003-2004, winning the champion of the game. In fact, it is the 10th consecutive year that our school has won the tournament!

Girls of our school are no losers. With their supple bodies and lithe movements, the Oriental Dance Team reaped four awards in the 40th Schools Dance Festival: a Highly Commended Award in

Solo; an Honour Award in Trio; a Highly Commended Award and a Commended Award in Groups.

The Modern Dance Team, formed by energetic young boys and girls, earned three awards for the first time in the Division in the 40th Schools Dance Festival. Their nimble actions gained them a Commended Award in Solo and two Highly Commended Awards in Groups.

Team spirit is best manifested by our School Cheering Team who won the Secondary Schools Cheering Contest in the Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2004. Success came from

hard work. The twenty teenagers, under the encouragement and company of Ms. Lui Man Fei, our P.E. teacher, practised whole day long almost every day (except the first four days of the Lunar January) during the Chinese New Year holidays. What should be commended is that they choreographed the dance, chose the accompaniment, designed their costumes and made the shiny tinsel balls themselves. Their creativity was much appreciated in the Hong Kong Cheering Performance held on 8th February, 2004 following their victory.

See the names of our winners below. Well done, boys and girls!

School Hockey Team

Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class
Singh Gurpreet	5C	Brar Dawinder Singh	4B	Singh Sukhjeet	4C
Parmar Mahipal Singh	5C	Brar Gurjinder Singh	4B	Singh Amerjit	4D
Khan Zahid Mehmood	5A	Singh Harjeet	4B	Singh Arwinder	2A
Singh Harjot	5A	Singh Amrik	4C	Singh Gurminder	2A
Gill Sukhdev Singh	4B	Singh Gurdeep	4C	Wong Yin Hay Yannick	2A



Oriental Dance Team

Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class
Sabina	2A	Maya	4A	Gurpreet	4D
Sunita	2B	Nirchana	4A	Pingala	5A
Shova	4A	Amerjeet	4A	Himkala	5A
Kristine	4A	Sumitra	4B	Menka	5C

Modern Dance Team

Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class
Diane	1B	Erica	2A	Brian	4A
Fatima	1C	Christina	3A	Lap Chi	4B
Catherine	1D	Janemric	4A	Melody	4D



Champion of the Secondary Schools Cheering Contest

Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class
Diane	1B	Christina	3A	Karen	4A
Lester	1C	Maricel	3B	Wendy	4A
Jasmin	1C	Maria	3B	Deviana	4A
Fatima	1C	Cherry	3C	Lap Chi	4B
Erica	2A	Brian	4A	Melody	4D
Kristine	2C	Janemric	4A	Jerica	4D
Clifford	2D	Amy	4A		

Special Events / Activities

Events	Organizers	Date	Students
Secondary Schools Cheering Contest	Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2004	1.2.04	School Cheering Team
Urdu Story Writing Competition	Urdu Department	1-29.2.04	S1-S5
Inter-House Basketball Competition	P.E. Department	3-24.2.04	S1-S5
Hong Kong Marathon Cheering Performance	Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2004	8.2.04	School Cheering Team
Sports Days	HK Schools Sports Federation	10, 19 & 25.2.04	School Team
Workshop on 'How to Say No'	Cross-curricular, Guidance & Counselling and Discipline Committees	11 & 19.2.04	S3-S4
Parents' Day	School	13.2.04	S1-S5
40 th Schools Dance Festival	The Education and Manpower Bureau & The Hong Kong Schools Dance Association	12.2.04 14.2.04	Modern Dance Team Oriental Dance Team
Barbecue (Racial Harmony Volunteer Scheme)	Discipline Committee	27.2.04	S2-S3
Boat Trip – White Dolphin Watching	Environmental Education Committee	28.2.04	S3-S5
Visit to Government Flying Services	Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps	28.2.04	Air Cadets
Inter-House Volleyball Competition	P.E. Department	8-16.3.04	S1-S5
Debating Course	English for Asia Ltd & English Department	9.3.04 (Commencement)	S4
Visit to Star Pisces	Travel & Tourism Department	10.3.04	S4
Visit to Cathy Pacific City	Travel & Tourism Department	25.3.04	S4

PTA Forthcoming Events

P T A O u t i n g

Date: 22 May 2004 (Saturday)

Tour: to be organized by Fat Tat Hong Ltd.



Programme

9:00 a.m. Assembly at Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon)

9:15 a.m. Setting off

10:15 a.m. Green Educational Trip to Hong Kong Ecofarm in Tai Po (green lifestyles through the concept of organic farming, food chain, marine produce, herbal lanes etc.)



12:30 p.m. Buffet lunch at BP International Hotel in Tsim Sha Tsui

2:00 p.m. Farewell & Happy Weekend



CANTONESE CRASH COURSE FOR PARENTS



Dates: Saturday, 8 May 2004
Saturday, 15 May 2004
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Venue: Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon)



Funded by the Home-School Co-operation Grant and organized by the Parents-Teachers' Association, this Cantonese Course for Parents has the following aims:

- To provide an opportunity for parents of different ethnic backgrounds to get to know each other and to learn some basic Cantonese in a relaxed manner.**
- To arrange a short but practical tailor-made Cantonese course for parents of non-Chinese background so that they can integrate more easily into the local community.**
- It is hoped that after this 6-hour intensive course, parents will be able to use Cantonese in very simple everyday conversations.**



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