



# Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon)

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### Welcome to Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon), Mr John Tsang, Financial Secretary

Amidst a flurry of photographers and eager assistants, Mr Tsang Chun-wah John, the Financial Secretary, arrived at our school in the afternoon of 29 January 2008. The visit was part of a more extensive outing to the Tai Kok Tsui area with the aim of gaining firsthand information on the views and needs of the local community.

Accompanied by the Yau Tsim Mong District Officer, Miss Amy Chow, Mr Tsang was taken on a tour by our School Principal, Mr Fung Kam-cheung, to see its various rooms and facilities. Everything ran smoothly, thanks to the careful planning and collaboration between the school and other related government departments.

The Financial Secretary managed to see the computer rooms and the staffroom. He spoke to a good number of teachers about their different backgrounds and how they found teaching in the unique Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon). While on the seventh floor, the School Principal also showed the visitors around the School Conference & History Room. Mr Tsang was very interested in the school's history and listened with great curiosity as Mr Fung gave a detailed account of the school's establishment and major events over the years.

Mr Tsang had only positive things to say and commended the school for its efforts in improving the standard of the Chinese language among all students, regardless of their nationality, after sitting in a Basic Chinese lesson for ethnically non-Chinese students. Talking to students also gave him an idea of how they learnt in a multi-cultural environment.

To end the visit, the visitors met a group of students in the Student Activity Centre. The students, all from different ethnic backgrounds, namely Pakistani, Indian, Nepalese and Filipino, participated enthusiastically throughout the discussion with the Financial Secretary on the various aspects of school life. Mr Tsang expressed his interest in the school's future and inspired the students to work hard and get good results. Mr Tsang was also politely inquisitive when asking a few of the students about themselves and their future plans.

The compliment paid to the school by the Financial Secretary in choosing to visit it did not go unappreciated, and surely will not be soon forgotten.

*Louisa Isabel Mein Smith (5A)*

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**Financial Secretary and Mr Fung**



**Classroom visit**



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# Learning Celebrations Day

29 February 2008 was a special day for our school as it was slotted to showcase our students' academic, cultural and extra-curricular accomplishments.

The morning session took place in our school playground with parents, students, teachers and special guests, including Mr Lee Sha-lun Sheridan, Chairman of the School Management Committee, being treated to a varied assortment of programmes.

The ceremony began with the playing of the national anthem and Mr Lee presided over the Passing Out Parade and Stand on Position of the Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps 601 Squadron. There was also the Opening Ceremony of the Time Capsule prepared by the air cadets in 2002, the year in which the unit was formed by the students.

Proud parents of students who attained excellent results in the half-yearly examination were on hand to receive certificates of appreciation and pose for pictures together with their children. Prizes were also presented to the winners of the Learning Celebrations Chinese Slogan Competition. This year's champion from the Junior Section was Cheng Wing-long from 2E and Chan Hau-kam from 4A was the prize-winner in the Senior Section.

Next up was a mixed bag of vibrant and colourful performances featuring Chinese Dance, Oriental Dance, Hip Hop Dance, Rifle Silent Drill and a pop song by the school band, all of which were very well-received by the gallery.

The parents and guests were then invited to the school hall to view the displays set up by different school clubs and departments highlighting our students' learning efforts. Refreshments were served in the Activity Room with a lavish choice of goodies mostly prepared by our students.

In the afternoon, educational and enjoyable activities and games were prepared for the students to enjoy, including some that were conceptualised and implemented by the students themselves. There were games to suit everyone's fancy and it was clear to everyone that our students really had a great time visiting each of the stations and collecting stamps to redeem for gifts.

This year's Learning Celebrations was a massive success and we would like to thank all the participants for their hard work and effort in making it such a joyous occasion. We would also like to specially thank our guest of honour, Mr Sheridan Lee for his time and words of encouragement to the students.



**The Official Party**



**School Hall display**



**Opening Ceremony of the Time Capsule (2002)**



# Sports Day

Despite the gloomy outlook from the weather people, our Sports Day (Finals) on 18 April encountered clear blue skies and warm temperatures setting the tone for a wonderful day of athletic competition.

This year belonged to Blue House as they were victorious in both the sports events and the cheering team competition though they were given very stiff competition from the students of Green House, who had been champions for the past three years.

Mr Lai Yiu-keung Tony, Chief Curriculum Development Officer (Physical Education) was our guest of honour. He gave a stirring speech to our students in which he commented on the high standard of sports and team spirit in our school.



**Mr Lai & the overall Champion**



**100m running**



Among the many highlights of the day was the relay race for parents, students and staff. It was delightful to see such a good turnout for this event as it demonstrated the close co-operation and care of the participants. Our principal also joined this event and his team crossed the finishing line first to a chorus of approval from the spectators in the stands.

We also had quite a few new records broken this year especially among the girls. Lo Sin-lan of 4C broke the A Grade 200m record with a time of 31"44 and Poon Sze-wan Shamime of 4B clocked 14"43 in the B Grade 100m. The girls 800m also had new standards set with Lau Yee-lee of 3E attaining a time of 3'23"56 in the B Grade division and Mak Lai-fai of 2E setting a time of 3'19"40 in C Grade. The boys were not to be outdone. Faiq Khan of 4E ran 59"24 in the B Grade 400m and Che Hei of 1B ran 2'45"76 in the C Grade 800m. Jatwinder Bal Singh of 1C broke the C Grade 1500m record with a time of 6'05"56. There were also new records in the field events. Gabriela Angela Marie da Silva threw the discus 19m in B Grade and Kacy Crystal Weir threw it 14.06m in C Grade. Red House also set new standards for the 4 x 400m relay in both the girls and boys sections.

Another highlight of the day was the Inter-School 4 x 100m Invitation Relay. There were strong contingents from 6 schools and the team from Buddhist Hung Sean Chau Memorial School proved to be the strongest in winning the race. 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up was Lee Kau Yan Memorial School and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up was Delia Memorial School – Broadway.

All in all, this year's Sports Day was impeccably run with the help of our P.E. teachers Ms Lui Man-fei and Mr Lau Wing-lok who worked beyond the call of duty to make it the spectacle that it was. We look forward to next year's Sports Day.

## Olympic Torch Relay Ceremony

In rain and haze, but also a bit of sunshine, our teachers – Mr Lau Wing-lok, Ms Lui Man-fei, Mr Kumar, Mr Kashif, Ms Ng Kit-lai, and over 120 SEKSS students attended the Olympic Torch Relay Ceremony at Hong Kong Jockey Club Sha Tin Racecourse on 2 May 2008.



**Witnessing the arrival of the Olympic Flame**

At 12:40 pm, the ceremony started with a dragon and lion dance. At nearly 1:00 pm, Professor Chu Ching-wu Paul, President of Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, arrived with the Olympic Flame at the Racecourse. Then he passed the flame to Mr Chan Cho-chak John, Chairman of Hong Kong Jockey Club. At this moment, all the participants, showed their excitement and support by cheering and clapping. The ceremony ended at 3pm. This unique event will surely be a memorable one for all our teachers and students.



**Cheering and clapping**

Having passed around the globe on different continents, the Olympic Torch has come back to the first station on the soil of China and landed in our city of Hong Kong. The Olympic Torch was first passed through major areas in Sha Tin before it went to other parts of Hong Kong.

Despite the little rain, it was an honour to join this once-in-a-life-time event. The whole process of the relay throughout Hong Kong was broadcast live at the racecourse.



**The Official Mascots**

## Shakespeare revived — author's talk

"To be, or not to be: that is the question." Anyone who knows William Shakespeare would know this famous quote from his tragedy *Hamlet*. However, have you thought about reading this 16<sup>th</sup> century play in modern day rap? This was exactly what renowned writer, Mr Nury Vittachi, did when he came to give a talk to our school on 13 May 2008.

Dressed in a Harry Potter-like velvet gown and stained glasses, this Sri Lankan local author used PowerPoint slides and his own guitar to show to the audience how to play magic with words and music: how rhyme and rhythm may be used creatively to turn something as difficult as Shakespearean English into what is fun and easy to learn.

Mr Vittachi even composed two songs impromptu by using the names of two lucky students: *They go to Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School. I dunno [don't know] what word rhymes with it, but this school is really cool...!* Those present received this with laughter and cheers.

The audience were brought to another excitement when they followed the writer's instruction to clap or stamp to the rhythm of Queen's hit *We will rock you*. With this vivid show-and-tell illustration of creativity, Mr Vittachi had given our students an entertaining and educational lesson to remember and apply in their language learning in future.



<http://www.misterjam.com>



**Mr Nury Vittachi with his guitar**

## Drama in SEKSSWK

*If you could have three wishes, what would you wish for? Would you rather die or marry someone you do not love?* These were among the questions heatedly discussed in English lessons before 15 February 2008, when the English-speaking theatre troupe Chunky Onion visited our school to present two well-known dramas, *Aladdin and the magic lamp* and William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.

After a short introduction by our student MCs, *Aladdin* was first staged in the morning for S1-2 students. In front of a colourful backdrop of domed mosques, desert and camels, Aladdin and the pretty Princess made eyes at each other. Meanwhile, wicked wizard Abdul kept preying on the throne and hungrily waited for the chance to capture Princess with her favourite Arabian coffee—with evil potion added!

**Romeo & Juliet at the balcony**



**Big thanks to Chunky Onion crew for their amusing performances!**

The audience was brought to a climax of excitement in the scenes where Aladdin fought with Abdul in a duel—with a banana!—and when the ghoulish-faced Abdul went off the stage to scare them with his fearful smoky eyes, gleaming sword and blood-curdling “Wahahahaha!”. One would also not forget Princess shouting “Lan tsai!” (Handsome guy!) and “Gau meng ah!” (Help!) in Cantonese, moving the audience to laughter.

After the lunch break, S3-4 students were treated to one of the most famous romantic-tragedies in history with a local flavour. Romeo and Juliet of Italy fell in love in Maths lesson in Hong Kong and were married secretly by Friar Johnson, who was funky-looking with sunglasses and a black bob hair wig. Their parents, Sir Montague and Lady Capulet, were not just family enemies but also old lovers, who were separated by a silly misunderstanding between Chai Wan and Wan Chai MTR stations!

At the end of each play, students had the chance to ask the cast questions and even stay behind to take photographs with them or learn more about the acting workshops their company provides. From the good response of students and teachers towards these interactive, musical dramas, it was apparent that learning English can be done out of the classroom and that it can be fun.

## School On Air

On 18 March 2008 the Education Bureau invited our school to take part in a half-hour radio programme called ‘家家有教’ on RTHK Radio 5. The Principal, Mr Fung Kam-cheung, sat in the radio room alongside a parent representative Mr Fok Chun-hung Eddy, a teacher representative Mrs Yau Kwong Tse-wai and a student representative Mohammad Ibrar (3F) talking live in the programme about the brief history, the curriculum, the extra-curricular activities and the multicultural characteristics of our school. In case you would like to listen to the programme again, you can visit the website at: <http://www.rthk.org.hk>.



## School Special Events / Activities

Event/Activity	Committee/Organization	Date	Target Students
Prefect Exchange Programme To Homantin Government Secondary School	Discipline Committee	18/1/2008	Prefects
The 15 <sup>th</sup> "Guangdong Province Remote Area Education Fund" Fund-raising Campaign	Guidance Team	31/1/2008 – 15/2/2008	All students
Hong Kong Schools Music Festival	Hong Kong Schools Music and Speech Association	Feb – Mar 2008	Selected students
Mai Po visit – "Urban Planner at Deep Bay"	Travel & Tourism Department, The World Wide Fund For Nature	4/2/2008	S5 T&T students
Adventure-based Training Day Camp for S3 Students	Guidance Team	15 – 26/2/2008	S3 students
Challenge Day Camp at Sai Kung	Guidance Team	22/2/2008	S1-S4
Social Service Day – Mongkok Integrated Service Centre	Guidance Team	23/2/2008	Non-Chinese speaking students
Design course	Junior Police Call, Art Club	Mar – Apr 2008	JPC & Art Club members
Air New Zealand 9-day Britain Itinerary Planning Contest	T&T Department	Mar – May 2008	S4 T&T students
Japanese lessons	T&T Department	Mar – May 2008	S3 & S4 students
Canoeing: Star 1 – Bronze Badge Award	T&T Department	Mar – May 2008	S3 & S4 students
Talk on progression pathways after graduation for S5 students	Careers Committee	3/3/2008	S5 students
中文辯論技巧	中文學會	19/3/2008	S1-S4
Learning Day at Disneyland	Guidance Team	8/4/2008	S1-S4
4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Debate and Essay Writing Competition (English & Urdu)	Consulate General of Pakistan	24/4/2008	All students



Adventure Day Camp



Applied Learning (06-08) Graduation Day



Abseiling Training



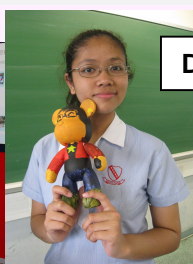
Modern Dance

## School Special Events / Activities (Continued)

Event/Activity	Committee/Organization	Date	Target Students
Environmental Education Exchange Programme to Fresh Fish Traders' School	Environmental Education Committee	25/4/2008	Environmental Prefects
Parents' talk on Applied Learning	PTA	2/5/2008	All parents
French Writing Competition – (“Ma ville, Hong Kong”)	French Club	May 2008	French Club members and students studying French
Film show – “Paris je t'aime”	French Club	9/5/2008	
S2 After-school Reading Programme	English Department	13/5/2008 – 10/6/2008	S2 students
S3 Parents' Talk on Streaming and Choice of Subjects at S4	Careers Committee	15/5/2008	S3 students and parents
Donation drive – Sichuan earthquake and Myanmar cyclone	Guidance Team	19/5/2008 – 28/5/2008	All students
Talk on South Asian Student Job Placement Scheme	Careers Committee H.K.S.K.H. Lady MacLehose Centre	3/6/2008	S4 non-Chinese Speaking students
Anti-smoking and Anti-drug Week	Community Drug Advisory Council, Health & Sex Education Committee, Discipline Committee, Moral & Civic Education	18/2/2008 – 22/2/2008	All students
Summer Work Experience Scheme	Careers Committee, HK Association of Careers Masters & Guidance Masters	July 2008	Selected S5 students
灣仔舊城區考察	中文學會	3/7/2008	S3 students
Macau Day Trip	T&T Department	3/7/2008	S4 T&T students
Inter-class Singing Competition	Music Department	7 – 8/7/2008	All students
Summer Military Training Camp in Guangzhou	Moral & Civic Education, Discipline Committee, Careers Committee	14 – 17/7/2008	Selected students
Goodwares 08 Art Exhibition	12 Government secondary schools	22/7/2008 – 25/7/2008	All students



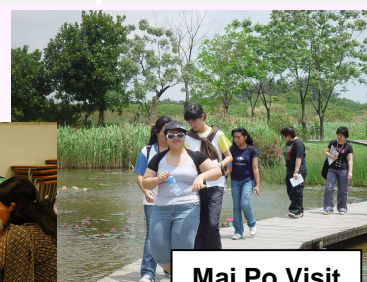
**Anti-Smoking and Drugs Week\Game Stall**



**Design Course**



**PTA Interest Class**



**Mai Po Visit**



## Prizes and Awards

Competition	Students involved	Award
The Nanyang Commercial Bank Student Drawing Competition of Hong Kong Flower Show 2008	Loo Yu Isabel (2A)	Commendation prize
60 <sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Schools Music Festival (Flute Solo, Intermediate)	Chan Yiu-hong Johann (1E)	1 <sup>st</sup> place
44 <sup>th</sup> School Dance Festival (Oriental dance, Jazz dance)	Oriental dance team, Modern dance team	Listed follows:  Honours Award (Group dance – Nepalese), Highly Commended Award (Duet dance – Indian), Highly Commended Award (Trio dance – Indian), Highly Commended Award (Remix group dance), Highly Commended Award (Boys' group dance), Highly Commended Award (Trio dance)
Inter-School Basketball Competition 07/08, organized by Hong Kong Schools Sports Federation	Basketball team members (Girls, B Grade)	4 <sup>th</sup> runner-up
Inter-School Volleyball Competition 07/08, organized by Hong Kong Schools Sports Federation	Volleyball team members (Girls, B Grade)	1 <sup>st</sup> runner-up
Inter-School Hockey Competition (Boys, Open)	Hockey team members (Boys)	2 <sup>nd</sup> runner-up
Inter-School Athletics Championships 07/08, organized by Hong Kong Schools Sports Federation	Lo Sin-lan (4C)	1 <sup>st</sup> runner-up (400m)
Lion International Youth Exchange 2008 Scholarship Environmental Essay Competition	Carabio Carl Mitchell Valmonte (5A)	Certificate of Merit
第五十九屆香港學校朗誦節	關仲衡 (1E)	詩詞獨誦 – 粵語中學一年級 男子組冠軍



## Charity sale for flu victims

We often relate spring to new life, joy and hope, with green new leaves and budding flowers everywhere. However, this spring, we also saw death, sadness and anxiety.

In March 2008, there were an alarming number of cases of influenza in Hong Kong, causing overcrowding in hospital wards and early closure of some kindergartens and schools before the Easter holidays, the first of the kind after the SARS outbreak in 2003.

The flu took away the precious lives of three students. In view of this, several kind-hearted Environmental Ambassadors in our school proposed organising a charity sale of the organic produce in school to raise money for the three families which lost their children.

On 19 March, during lunch time and after school, students and teachers crowded their counter, marvelling at the colourful array of organic produce on sale: red juicy tomatoes and cherry tomatoes, apple green lettuce, chillies, various kinds of cheerfully blooming potted flowers, organic fertilisers, etc. All these were grown without using artificial fertilizers (thus, "organic") by our students!

With the generosity of many present, \$2560 was raised. The money was donated to the families of the flu victims through the Chinese newspaper Ming Pao on 1 April.



Fresh organic lettuce



Presenting a cheque carrying donations and love



## Debating News

This year, on 5 April, our school was given the great privilege of hosting the Quarter Finals of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Sing Tao Inter-School Debating Competition. The 8 teams in this year's quarter finals were some of the top debating teams among Hong Kong schools, including previous winners Island School and German-Swiss International School.

The contest was held in the Student Activity Room and Ong Ling-na and Ho Chun-wai from 3F served as MC and timekeeper respectively. Both of them performed exceptionally well especially considering that most schools who host this tournament choose their MC and timekeeper from Form Six. They stepped up to the plate and did a great job for our school as it is not easy to deal with the pressure of hosting in front of parents, teachers and students from other schools. Just in case you were thinking to yourself that you would have liked to see the competition, you can do so by visiting the following link: [http://www.singtao.com/debate/html/index\\_e14.html](http://www.singtao.com/debate/html/index_e14.html).

The competition proceeded smoothly and the organisers were so pleased with our performance that they would like us to host another round for next year's competition. We relish the opportunity to be a hosting school again.

Three SEKSS students from S4 participated in a friendly inter-school debating competition against Queen Elizabeth School in Mong Kok. The team was led by Raymarc John de Los Reyes from 4D and Mirzi and Michelle Chan from 4C. The motion was "*Primary and Secondary students wearing casual clothes to schools create more benefits than harm*". Both teams performed admirably but in the end QES was victorious. The team members did quite well especially in light of the fact that it was their first actual debate. We look forward to more opportunities to take part in such meaningful activities next year.

Our students



Queen Elizabeth School Debating Team and our team after the debate

## Education Bureau Staff Football Competition

Four of our teachers (Mr Li Ka-fai, Mr Chan Vai-sam, Mr Tong Yat-ting and Mr Rajeev Nair) teamed up with a group of teachers from Cheung Chau Government Secondary School to take part in this tournament organised by the EDB Staff Recreation Club every year.

A total of 13 government secondary schools participated in the event held at King's Park Sports Stadium. After getting through a very competitive elimination round, the team reached the second round, which consisted of 8 teams. In the second round, we had two games decided on penalties and eventually managed to capture the 4<sup>th</sup> place trophy, which represented our best showing in this competition. We are looking forward to improving on our position for next year's tournament.



Team members with trophy & medals

## PTA Fun Day

As opposed to the tradition of Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School, this year the PTA Fun Day was held here on campus on 19 January 2008 in place of the customary PTA outing. That morning, students, parents and teachers started pouring into the school waiting in unison for the commencement of the eagerly anticipated event at 10 am.

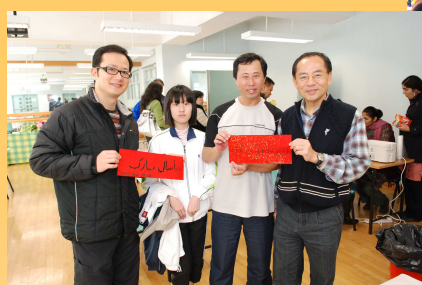
The PTA Fun Day started off in the school hall with a new take on the three-legged race, but this time one more person was added to each pair to form four-legged teams to make the race all the more interesting. Everyone enjoyed it just as much as the old game. Following that was another childhood favourite – Paper Aeroplane Competition. Contestants gathered to try and construct a paper aeroplane that could fly the furthest. This game surely brought back a lot of childhood memories. Then came the Hula-hoop Competition, which marked the end of the group activities in the morning.



“Four-legged race”



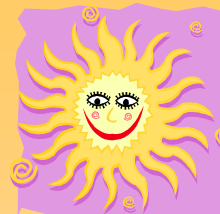
Hula-hoop competition



Writing “fai chun”



Frying crispy sweet dumplings



Students and parents then broke off to various areas of the school to enjoy more activities prepared by the staff and students. In the school hall, karaoke was set up to provide an area for everyone to sing along to their favourite tunes. Participants were particularly welcomed to bring their own discs to rejoice in songs in their own language, such as Hindi, Urdu and Tagalog. On the sporting front, everyone was welcomed to indulge themselves in their desired ball game on our school playground. With a wide selection from a variety of sports like basketball, volleyball, table football, table tennis, golf and badminton, everyone undoubtedly found their own sport to unleash their ethereal energy. For the less active, parents were available in the Culture Square to give cookery lessons teaching students how to make waffles and crispy fried sweet dumplings. The morning was so enjoyable that it came as a surprise when it was announced time had come for lunch to be served.

After lunch, everyone set off to their own destination again. Classrooms were opened with an array of stalls inside to choose from. For the more culturally inclined, there were stalls offering henna tattoos, tee-shirt painting, beading, and writing “fai chun” in different languages. Parents could definitely get a taste of the multi-cultural experience of the school from all these. Other more conventional pastimes such as chess and board games were also available. There were also other more creative alternatives like T-shirt painting and beading. Time passed by quickly when everyone was having fun and soon it was the lucky draw with a twist – “Deal or No Deal”. The day ended with everyone leaving the school with a big smile on their faces and fond memories of the day.

## Second Staff Development Day (22 February 2008)

### **Theme 1 : SMART Goal Setting**

The day started off with the Principal, Mr Fung, presenting a workshop on "SMART Goal Setting" to enhance the professional competence of the staff. At the end of the workshop, each departmental panel or functional committee worked collaboratively to design a SMART objective and draft an action plan which was **Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant** and **Time-framed**. A SMART plan, which is simple and focused, should prioritize the learning needs of students and serve as the underpinning to the achievement of goals.



Mr Fung

### **Theme 2 : Understanding the social situations of ethnic minority youths in Hong Kong**

Hong Kong Christian Service provides timely and diversified services to ethnic minorities in Hong Kong. Ms Karrie Chan, Supervisor of the Project SASA (South Asians Support Alliance) run by the HKCA, was invited to the school to deliver a talk on the social situations of ethnic minority youths in Hong Kong. As the talk was supported by some detailed research data, it helped teachers understand the pressure and needs faced by ethnic youths in Hong Kong better and inspired all the staff to continue to provide a caring and supportive atmosphere to students in the school.



Guest speaker – Ms K. Chan

### **Theme 3 : Preparation for the New Senior Secondary Education**

All the staff fervently joined discussions on the number of electives which should be offered by our school as well as other related administrative support required for the implementation of the New Senior Secondary Education. We also shared the knowledge gained from NSS seminars and workshops enthusiastically with other staff. This was a very fruitful Staff Development Day for everybody!



Sharing session

## A letter from a former graduate

Dear Schoolmates,

I've been asked to write an article for the school newsletter "Episodes". I've never been a good writer but anyway, I decided to give it a try in order to show my support to my school.

I graduated in 1987. (Wow, so long ago! How time flies!) Actually I joined SEK in Primary 2 and studied here all the way through till Form 5. Our school was located at Eastern Hospital Road in Causeway Bay. Being a Chinese, till now I still don't know why my parents decided to put me at SEK. Maybe it was because at that time, SEK was the only English speaking government school. Anyway, the time I spent at SEK was one of the happiest periods in my life so far. There, I met a few of my best friends. Having graduated for 20 years, we still do keep in touch with one another. We hang out from time to time, talking about our good, funny memories at SEK. Most of the teachers who taught us have already left SEK with the exception of Mrs Yau and Mrs Tung. We always have a good laugh when we talk about the nicknames we gave our teachers!

I truly treasure the time I spent at SEK, especially my secondary school years. That was the time when lots of unforgettable things happened. I remember myself being quite rebellious. However, with the support of my teachers and family, I haven't failed in being the person I am today. I can't say that I am a successful person, but at least I have a decent job as Human Resources Manager at a multinational company.

Believe me, Schoolmates, treasure the time you have now! Study hard and play hard! Enjoy SEK!

Carolina Mi  
1987 Graduate

## Class of the Year Award 2007-2008

The Class of the Year Award, which was a whole school event co-organized by the Health & Sex Education Committee, Guidance and Counselling Committee and Discipline Committee, aimed at cultivating students' sense of belonging to the school, encouraging students to be more supportive to school practices as well as strengthening their team spirit.

Nine different inter-class competitions were organized for which certificates were issued to the three best performing classes every month. Points were also awarded to the three best performing classes in each level for each competition on a monthly basis. At the end of the school year, the class with the highest score was crowned the champion and they were given a free trip to Ocean Park at courtesy of the school. Chocolates and book coupons were awarded to the first and second runners-up.

The competition kicked-off with an Inter-class Display Board Design Competition to develop better cooperation among students. Each class had their boards bearing artwork and pictures in vibrant colours.

To sharpen students' awareness towards the importance of punctuality, an Inter-class Punctuality Competition was held. Every month, the class with the least number of latecomers was issued a certificate and 10 points were awarded to that winning class.

Another competition, the Inter-class Dress Well Competition, played a significant role in boosting students' sense of self-discipline when it came to wearing their school uniforms. Students were expected to wear their uniforms as neatly and tidily as possible in order to gain 10 points.

An Inter-class Cleanliness Competition was organized to allow students to cooperate among themselves and help them realize the importance of keeping the school clean. The Most Well-behaved Class Competition was also conducted in order to determine which class performed the best in terms of class discipline.

To make the competition even more enjoyable, a friendly Inter-class Football Competition was held. Different classes battled for the crown to bring glory to their respective classes. Spectators had a lot of fun cheering and supporting their favoured classes. Other competitions such as the class with the highest rate of volunteer participation, a donation drive and an Inter-class Goal Setting Competition were also held within the year.

Finally, the end of March arrived and the results were eagerly anticipated. This year's winner was 3E with 170 points. The first runner-up went to 2D having 165 points and the second runner-up went to 2E having just one point less than 2D. 3E had their trip to Ocean Park on 4 July. Surely, they spent a memorable day with their classmates one last time before the end of another school year.

Congratulations to all the winners and to all the classes who did their best to win. We look forward to another series of the Class of the Year Award competitions again next year for the growth of students' study ethics, discipline and team spirit.



Inter-class Dress Well Competition prize presentation



Mr Chan Vai-sam, Discipline Master  
Carl Mitchell Carabio (5A), Head Prefect



Inter-class Cleanliness Competition



Inter-class Football Competition



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