

Sir Ellis Ladoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon)

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ANNUAL SPEECH DAY 2012-13



Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon) honoured its successful students on the Annual Speech Day held on Friday, 7 December 2012. It was a memorable day for the staff and students alike as they reaped the fruits of their hard labour.

The eventful morning commenced with the National Anthem, followed

by a comprehensive school report by the school Principal, Mr. Li Wing-leung.

After extending his heartfelt appreciation to the guests, including the guest-of-honour, Mr. Mohinderpaul Singh, the Principal informed the gathering that Sir Ellis Kadoorie was a 'moving school', providing students with the best opportunities to develop as allrounded individuals and lifelong learners, equipping them with the skills necessary to integrate into the local and global community.

Mr. Li further explained that not only was there emphasis on academic achievement, but that the students were also provided with opportunities to develop their talent in sport, public speaking and performing arts, and that on numerous occasions the students had made their school proud by bringing back home trophies and medals in inter-school competitions. Besides, the school, along with placing importance on Cross-Curricular education, also made effort in instilling good and sound morals, self-discipline, and a spirit of love and care through its efficient staff development, good pastoral care and an active Discipline Team.

The guest-of-honour, Mr. Mohinderpaul Singh, an illustrious alumnus of our school, presented the certificates and prizes to prizewinners and graduates and addressed the school. His success in the entertainment industry is an inspiration to our students and is a good example that working hard and seizing the opportunity at the right time can be pivotal in a person's success.



Adding to the jubilant mood was a programme of entertainment where a selection of students across the year groups showcased their enviable talents in performing arts. There were English, Putonghua, and French Solo Verse Speaking performances by Thapa Dil Maya (4A), Chan Kit Yu (1D), and Lukalu Kidiwa Bernise (S3D), as well as captivating performances by the school's Modern Dance team and Oriental Dance team, and the school choir.

The event rounded off with the singing of the school song, following by guests, staff and students mixing and mingling whilst nibbling on scrumptious refreshments.

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HARMONIOUS CAMPUS 2012 - 2013

Supported by the Discipline and Guidance Section of Education Bureau, our school spreads the messages of cultural harmony and anti-bullying among students through various activities under the theme 'Harmonious Campus 2012-2013'. In the first term, the following programmes were organized to build a caring environment for our students.

Peace Ambassadors

10 students in S.3 were selected to be the Peace Ambassadors to help stop bullying in school. To equip them with techniques and skills in dealing with bullying cases, a training day camp was held on 15 October 2012. With the students of other 20 schools who joined this anti-bullying programme, students were taught to identify different ways of bullying and the impacts of bullying on the victims and bullies. By putting themselves into others' shoes, they understood they had responsibility to help their the schoolmates to cope with bullying.



Comments from Peace Ambassadors



At the camp, the peace ambassadors were trained with some skills to help the victims. They also learnt how to organize "anti-bullying" activities, as prevention is better than cure. Their creativity in designing a game called "Shoot the Bullies" was impressive and their game was one of the most interesting game booths in the Fun Fair.





Joshua (S.3E)

It's a new experience for me to learn how to stop bullying among schoolmates. In the past I might just call a teacher to deal with them, but now I'll try to help the bullies understand the feeling of a victim with empathy.

Kaur Gurpreet (S.3E)

It's fun to work with my schoolmates and set up a game booth all on our own. We started with an empty mind but then we finally came up with a game in which students had to shoot down some devil ideas of handling a conflict. It's amazing that we could actually carry out this game in the fun fair!



Harmonious Month

In November and December, our school prepared a mass function for our students to inculcate the message of cultural harmony. With the joint effort of the Discipline Committee, Guidance and Counselling Committee, Moral and National Education Committee, Liberal Studies Department, Physical Education Department, Chinese Department and Aesthetic Development Department, a varied array of activities and competitions were held to stress the importance of cultural harmony and spread the message of anti-bullying.

Opening Ceremony

To mark the opening of the Harmonious Month, Ms. Pearl Chan, Senior School Development Officer, was invited to our school to encourage our students to combat bullying. Then Ms. Chan and our principal started the "Teacher-student friendly match" with team members from different nationalities. Finally, the student team won the match by 74 to 68.



Workshop and Visit

A 5-day workshop was held for some students to equip them with the general knowledge of cultural practices, religions, habits and customs. Students then organized an exhibition of cultural harmony in school.

A "Multicultural Site Visit" was held for S.1 and S.2 local Chinese students in November. They were fascinated by the different life styles and eating habits of the ethnic minorities. This valuable experience made them understand more about their peers of different ethnicities.



Harmony Fun Fair

On 29-30 November, the Fun Fair with game booths and exhibitions was organized in the school's covered playground. "Shoot the Bullies" was designed by the peace ambassadors, tongue-twister games "Say out Loud" and "Knowing Others' Cultures" were prepared by the Guidance Committee and Moral and National Ambassadors. Together with the henna drawing and Chinese calligraphy workshop, students had great fun during lunchtime.



Competitions

Competitions ranging from sports to cultural ones were organized throughout the months. The "Harmony Race – 4x100m relay" with teams of students and teachers of different nationalities was held on the Sports Day Final. Those who were more artistic helped deliver messages of harmony through the inter-class display board competition and inter-class slogan competition. Senior students showed their concern about cyber bullying through a news commentary competition. All students could take part in an inter-class Short Quiz on antibullying to help their class to win a prize!



Parents' Night cum 21st PTA Annual General Meeting

On 23 November 2012, Parents' Night cum 21st Parents-Teachers' Association (PTA) AGM was held in our school hall. Voting was conducted to elect the Parent Representatives of the PTA Executive Committee (2012-2013). Our enthusiastic parents turned up on time to participate, support and witness this event.

At about 6:30 pm, our principal, Mr. Li Wing-leung, welcomed the parents in the school hall for this important event and thanked them for their enthusiasm and support. Then our PTA Chairperson, Ms. Sharma Kusum, delivered the Chairperson's report and highlighted the aim of further fostering positive thinking, values and enhancing our students' and our parent-members' sense of belonging to the school. She highlighted the achievements



attained last year, and acknowledged that the school, teachers, parents and students' trust in the PTA had risen tremendously. She was very grateful for the support given by all the parents, teachers and the school. The minutes of the 20th PTA meeting were also confirmed. Certificates were presented to last year's members of the PTA Executive Committee and new PTA teacher members were introduced.

There were vacancies for four executive members for the PTA Executive Committee. The candidates were introduced and voters cast their votes by secret ballot. At 8.00 pm, the results were announced and Mr. Kharel Vishnu Prasad, Mr. Thirupathi N., Ms. Kaur Charnjeet, Pinky, Ms. Lau Tsz Kam and Mr. Khimding Ran Bahadur were elected as parentmembers for the year 2012-2013 of the PTA Executive Committee based on the voting. Mr. Khimding Ran Bahadur was chosen as the SMC Parent Representative for the year



It was truly an enjoyable night as it allowed parents to freely mingle with teachers to share their views, with snacks and drinks sponsored by the PTA. A donation drive by the PTA raised a total sum of HK\$ 2590.



2012-2014 based on the voting. Mr. G. S. Batra was re-elected as the PTA Honorary Auditor for the year 2012-2013. It was also the evening for parents to collect the report cards from the respective class-teachers and receive feedback on their children's progress in school.



Highlights on Guidance and Counselling Programmes 2012-2013

Making a Rainbow Life Programme

The Making a Rainbow Life Programme aims to help newly admitted students, particularly new arrivals to Hong Kong, cope with adjustment and learning difficulties and integrate themselves into local society by enhancing their understanding of local culture and integration into Hong Kong society.

Fifteen students participated in the Making a Rainbow Life Programme in the first term. To promote racial harmony and mutual understanding, the programme consisted of 10 formal tutorials about local culture, daily Cantonese and social etiquettes. Regular group activities and outings were organized for students to stretch themselves, support each other, widen their horizons and most importantly, put what they have learnt in the tutorials into practice.

Under the leadership of the social workers and guidance teachers, students were very eager to take part in the tutorials and various excursions. Thus, their sense of belonging to the school and society was enhanced and team spirit was cultivated.

Ice-skating Fun and Visit to Hong Kong Space Museum and Avenue of Stars (3-11-2012)





A visit to Ocean Park (15-12-2012)

Barbecue at Lamma Island (24-11-2012)









Love & Care Ambassadors Scheme

The Love & Care Ambassadors Scheme aims at strengthening the spirit of love and care of each other and enhancing cultural harmony in the school. Through regular meetings and experiential activities and services to the school as well as society, students learnt to be aware of the needs of others and appreciate individual differences.



Beads Keychain



Aroma Jelly Wax Candles

The Love and Care Ambassadors serve the school and their fellow schoolmates in many dynamic ways. This year, the Love and Care Ambassadors were involved in the planning, promotion and collection of reply slips and donation money for the Dress Casual Day for the Community Chest. It was a success with a total of \$9935.9 raised for the Community Chest.

Lunch time activities such as beads keychain, aroma jelly wax candles, lending of board games, health check game booth and anti-drug exhibition and game stall for harmony week were led by the ambassadors to enable them to develop their leadership potentials, organization skills and team spirit.

Fifteen Love & Care Ambassadors were selected to take part in the Multicultural Harmony Training Workshop in collaboration with Hong Kong Chrisitian Service. The workshop equipped them with the general knowledge of cultural differences among various ethnic minorities. To conclude the workshop, these ambassadors organized a sharing session on 19 December with their fellow S.1-S.2 Chinese students on issues related to different cultures with the ultimate aim of achieving multicultural harmony. The workshop will continue in the second term with more eyeopening outdoor activities held for our students.



PS33 health check game booth



Multicultural Harmony Education led by Love & Care Ambassadors



Dress Casual Day for the Community Chest

Prefect Exchange Programme



The Prefect Exchange Programme (PEP) has been a part of the prefect team since 2007. The programme is an effective way to enhance better communication and cultivate a closer relationship with other government secondary schools in Hong Kong. The main objectives of having the Prefect Exchange Programme are to share thoughts and ideas about the Prefect Team, to share experiences on what they have encountered and to broaden our social horizons.

On 16 November 2012, our prefect team went to "Jockey Club Government Secondary School" for the program. In fact, Ms. Yuen, the Principal of JCGSS is our school's former vice principal. On that day, both schools gave presentations about the prefect team and how we manage our teams.



Then our school prepared a game, "rolling out the ball", for everyone to enjoy. Players had to use recycled paper, a table tennis ball and a tennis ball for the game. To complete the game, they had to work together as a team with great patience and effort.

Afterwards, we all had some light refreshments and prefects from both school had a chance to talk to each other and I believe that most of us have created new bonds and made new friends.

Soon it was getting late and it was time for us to leave. Although the programme had to end, we have a lot of great memories and some of the prefects even stayed in contact with each other through social media sites.

Overall, the programme was successfully held and we look forward to having more Prefect Exchange Programmes with other government secondary schools in Hong Kong.

John Kristoffer Cruz 6A Head Prefect







Sports Day 2012 -13

There is no dearth of sporting talent at Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon), as showcased on 13 & 20 November 2012 at the school's Annual Sports Days, held at Sham Shui Po Sports Ground.

Students vied for the grand title of Champion in a plethora of track and field events that were testament to their hardwork, dedication and skill in their respective sporting categories. From long jump to shot putt, short distance sprints to hurdles, talent abounded on the sporting pitch.



The cheering teams wowed spectators with their performances and set the atmosphere ablaze with their upbeat, unique routines, pumping much excitement into the adrenaline-fuelled festivities.



Bagging the much-coveted titles of Overall House Champion & Best Cheering Team was Yellow House. Among the Individual champions were Zhong Jie Qiang of S5B (Boys A Grade), Fok Nick of S4B (Boys B Grade), Fok Nick of S4B (Boys B Grade), Sicuan Tom Keannu Atienza of S2C (Boys C Grade), Wong Wing Nga of S6B (Girls A Grade), Nagar Jermaine Cesario of S3E (Girls B Grade) and Leung Hoi Yi of S2D (Girls C Grade).

A number of new records were set and the results are given below.

Event	Name	Class	Record
400m Boys B Grade	Fok Nick	S4B	1'00'62
High Jump Girls A Grade	Lee Shuk Kang	S6C	1.24
High Jump Girls A Grade	Wong Wing Nga	S6B	1.38
High Jump Girls B Grade	Nagar Jermaine	S3E	1.25
High Jump Boys C Grade	Asim Faqar	S1D	1.32
Javelin Boys A Grade	Kuge Yoshinori	S6B	37.40
Long Jump Girls A Grade	Wong Wing Nga	S6B	4.36





The sporting fervour rounded off on a high note, with prize presentation and speech from the guest-of-honour, Mrs. Yau Kwong Tse-Wai, former Head of English Department at the school. In her speech, Mrs. Yau emphasised the importance of sport being the vitality of an all-rounded education. She sagely told students that winning was secondary, and that the most important thing was the teamwork, camaraderie and sportsmanship displayed amongst them.

SCHOOL CHEERING TEAM



This year, our team members are from different ethnic groups. We dance for our school and for Hong Kong!



Our cheering team is going to represent Yau Tsim Mong District to compete in the 4th Hong Kong Games Cheering Competition in April 2013.



This is the Mid-autumn Festival performance in Hong Kong Victoria Park by our school Modern Dance Team. We were invited by the Hong Kong Tourism Board.



The cheering team is having professional training under the Hong Kong Team Coach

from the Hong Kong China Gymnastic Association.

SI HALLOWEEN PARTY

Halloween is always an exciting time of the year. What's not to love about it? You dress up in fun costumes, scare your friends and family members, and have a blast pranking complete strangers, whilst gathering lots of sweets.

S1 students at Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon) did just that at this year's Halloween bash that took place on 31 October 2012. Masquerading as devilish ghouls and creepy



characters, students vied for the title of 'Best Dressed Halloweener', as they mixed and mingled with their peers. Spooky Halloween decorations dotted the room and Halloween songs blasting through the music system added to the upbeat, eerily festive atmosphere, as students partook in games like guessing the number of sweets in the jar, Halloween themed crossword puzzles, and tongue twisters.



Although Halloween, known as All Hallows Eve, started off being a religious festival for the Irish Celtic pagans, today it is celebrated all around the world, and thanks to Hollywood, its traditions and festivities have been forever immortalised in celluloid in hundreds of films like 'Double Double', 'Nightmare on Elm Street', 'Hocus Pocus', 'Night of the Living Dead', 'Beetle Juice' and many more.



Anti-bullying Workshop

SCHOOL SPECIAL EVENTS / ACTITIVITIES



Golf Experience in Chater Garden



Real Friends Project 2012/2013 Basketball Friendly Match





Parents' Night cum AGM of PTA

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Event / Activity	Committee / Organization	Date	Participants
ECA Promotion Day	ECA Committee	5/9/2012	S.1-S.6 students
A Talk on Cyber Sex and Compensating Dating	Guidance & Counselling Committee	19/9/2012	S.2-S.5 students
A Visit to the Hong Kong Stadium	PE Department	20/9/2012	HKDSE-PE students
Dress Casual Day 2012	Whole School	27/9/2012	All students
Training Camp for School Health Ambassadors	Health & Sex Education Committee	5/10- 6/10/2012	Selected students
Anti-bullying Day Camp	Discipline Committee	15/10/2012	S.3 students
Experience Sharing by Graduated Students on Learning Chinese	Academic Promotion Committee	5/11/2012	S.5 & S.6 GCSE Chinese students
Real Friends Project 2012/2013 Opening Ceremony & Basketball Friendly Match	Guidance & Counselling Committee	5/11/2012	All students
Golf Experience in Chater Garden	PE Department	5/11/2012	S.5 HKDSE-PE and S.2C students
Geography Field Camp	Geography Department	6/11/2012	S.5 & S.6 students
Talk on 'Introduction to the Race Discrimination Ordinance'	Moral & National Education Committee	7/11/2012	S.1-S.5 students
Promotion of Healthy Lifestyle	Guidance & Counselling Committee	8/11/2012	All students
Sports Day	PE Department	13/11, 20/11/2012	All students
Thematic Guided Tour Cum Film Sharing on Chinese Culture	Liberal Studies Department and Moral & National Education Committee	21/11/2012	S.5 students
Anti-bullying Workshop	Guidance & Counselling Committee	21/11 ,28/11/ 2012	S.1 & S.2 students
Classroom Cleaning Campaign	Health & Sex Education Committee	23/11/2012	S.1-S.6 students
Parents' Night cum AGM of PTA	РТА	23/11/2012	All students & parents
Jupas Workshops	Career Committee	23/11, 28/11/2012	Non-Chinese speaking S.6 students
Film Screening of HK French Film Festival 2012 in City Hall : 'Camille Rewinds'	French Department	28/11/2012	Selected S.2 French students
Enhanced Smart Teen Project Student Training	Discipline Committee	3/12- 7/12/2012	Selected S.2 & S.3 students
Cricket Match	School Cricket Team	5/12, 11/12, 18/12/2012	Selected S.3 - S.6 students
NSS OLE Workshop: Un-break the Business Codes	BAFS Department	6/12/2012	Selected S.4 students
Speech Day	Whole School Family	7/12/2012	All students
Talk on 'Well Thought Decision on Sex'	Health & Sex Education Committee and Moral & National Education Committee	12/12/2012	S.5 students
Art Workshop: Awakened Sleepers. Transformed place-HKISS 2012	VA Department	14/12/2012	Selected S.3 & S.4 students
School Photo Day	All Classes	18/12/2012	All students
School Picnic Day	All Classes	20/12/2012	All students
Class Party & Talent Show	ECA Committee	21/12/2012	S.1-S.6 students



Speech Day



Geography Field Camp 10



Talent Show

有情世界一豐子愷的藝術「人間情味」Creating a world of compassion專題展

爲了擴闊學生的識見,豐富他們的生活體驗,於二零一二年九月二十五日 非華語中文科科主任吳詠儀老師帶領十四名中三至中五級非華語學生,參觀由 香港藝術館舉辦的豐子愷「人間情味」*Creating a world of compassion*專題展。 此專題展覽展出二百多幅豐子愷的代表作品,展示不同時期的風格和題材。展 品分爲「童心」、「家庭樂」、「古詩新畫」等主題,學生從欣賞豐子愷趣味 洋溢的表現手法、簡約的畫功,領會展品中親切感人的內容,感受真實的人間 情味。

豐子愷(1898 - 1975),從二、三十年代開始,以中西融合畫法創作漫畫, 發掘世間的真相,細細道出尋常百姓的點滴情味,作品表達了他對萬物的關愛 之情。

是次活動除了參觀展品之外,吳詠儀老師更聯同香港大學學校支援計畫的 廖劍雲老師,於十月二十九日、十一月十二日及十一月十九日,舉辦三次工作 坊,首先詳細講述豐氏的藝術理念,然後讓學生在工作坊上進行口頭報告,分 析豐氏畫作及抒發他們的觀後感,再讓學生將學習與生活結合,啓發他們同樣 以畫作及文字,抒發心中的情懷。學生於工作坊進行分組寫作,分別以「我對 香港的情」及「我對官立嘉道理爵士中學的情」爲題,自行創作,抒發他們對 香港及學校的情懷,藉著是次活動,以情啓迪心靈,潛移默化,進行品德情意 教育。

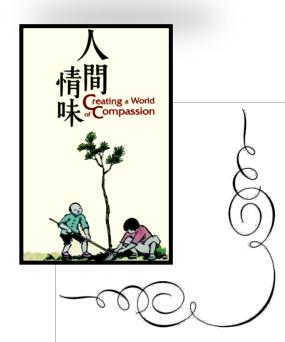






拿著工作紙,齊齊搭地鐵,浩浩蕩蕩出發啦!









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二零一二年十二月十七日上午,梁煒廣老師及教學助理陳婉瑩小姐與二十多 位非華語學生參觀元朗橫洲建醮大戲棚,參加「戲棚粵劇齊齊賞」活動,觀看粤 劇折子戲《盜仙草》及《三帥困崤山》,學生第一次踏足戲棚這種獨特的臨時建 築,皆感到很新鮮好奇。通過是次互動的學習經歷,不但讓他們認識中國的傳統 文化藝術,還可以粉墨登場,一嚐當小演員的滋味。



粉墨登場,初試啼聲



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一班可愛小演員,齊齊亮相,與觀眾打成一片



排排坐,專心看戲



少數族裔文化團參加後感

爲配合本校本學年「文化共融、和諧校園」 的主題,並加強同學對本港少數族裔文化的認識, 本校中國語文科和德育及國民教育組,於二零一 二年十一月二十八日爲中一及中二級同學安排一 項名爲「少數族裔文化團」的參觀活動。以下是 兩位同學的活動後感:

星期三下午,我們全體中一及中二級中國語 文科學生和伍老師及李老師一起去葵涌參觀,學 習少數族裔的生活文化。

到了目的地,我們首先到香港聖公會麥理浩 夫人中心參加一個關於少數族裔的宗教、服飾及 語言的講座。講座結束後,我們步行到一間由少 數族裔人士開辦的餐廳——穆斯林餐廳。他們給 我們品嚐一些少數族裔傳統的美食,數量雖然少, 但也令我們食指大動呢!離開餐廳之後,我們跟 著導賞員到幾間少數族裔人士主理的日用品商店 參觀。接著,我們到平日回教徒參拜的地方—— 清真中心。我們很守規則地等待教主的來臨。當 教主到來後,他很用心地講解回教的特色和解答 我們的問題,我們也踴躍地向教主發問。

最後,我們到新葵興廣場看一些富有特色的 飾物和衣物,然後就在葵興港鐵站解散。

我覺得這個活動很有意義。雖然我的學校也 有很多不同族裔的同學,但對他們真正的了解其 實不多。我希望以後也有同類的活動,讓我們學 習更多的知識。

2E 周妙茵









今次的少數族裔文化團令我更能理解他 們的文化和宗教,也令我明白到自己需要主 動促進南亞裔和本地同學互相融合。

有機會初嚐少數族裔食品,對少數族裔 的飲食文化也加深了認識,而且食品相當好 吃。

這次活動令我增廣見聞,是我們在書本 上不能認識的課外知識,所謂「讀萬卷書, 不如行萬里路」的道理是對的,所以大家也 要走出課本世界,到外走走,吸收多些經驗, 增廣見聞。

我希望能再有機會參與這樣有意義的活動!這次經歷很難忘!

Geography Field Camp





On 6 November 2012, all S5 and S6 Geography students went on a Geography Field Camp to Cheung Chau, conducted by the Geography Department and Caritas Chan Chun Ha Field Studies Centre.

On that day, we took a ferry from Central to Cheung Chau and arrived at the Field Studies Centre at about 8:45 a.m. Our first lecture helped us to gain knowledge about coastal landforms.

For our fieldwork, we were separated into several groups in order to carry out activities and experiments. For example, we used instruments to record wave and wind speeds and wind direction. Through these activities, not only did we learn how to use instruments for measurement, but we also learned how to work as a group.

We also witnessed different kinds of coastal landforms and processes that were taught during our lessons, and understood more about them. After we got back to the centre, we analyzed and organized all the data that we had collected by using the Geographical Information System (GIS) - another new thing that we learned on this field trip.

This trip was really informative and exciting, as I learned a lot of things that couldn't possibly be experienced inside classrooms. Furthermore, this trip enabled me to understand more about the geography of Hong Kong, especially Cheung Chau, and it kindled my enthusiasm and appreciation for it.

Chan Stephen II S.6D





Introduction to the Rece Discrimination Ordinence

On 7 November 2012, Ms. Devi Novianti, a Corporate Communications Officer of Equal Opportunities Commission, was invited by the Moral and National Education Committee to deliver an interactive talk on 'Introduction to the Racial Discrimination Ordinance'. During the talk she highlighted the events that eventually led to the promulgation of Fundamental Human Rights.

In conjunction with a quiz, she introduced the law which came into effect in Hong Kong on 10 July 2008 that deals with discrimination based on "race", "skin colour", "descent", "nationality" and "ethnicity" which impairs the enjoyment of human rights.

Students will use their newly	
learnt knowledge to	
Stop bullying	
• Love their family	
Treat people of	
different races equally	
Teach others to be	
respectful	
Teach others about	
their rights	
• Care and help people in	
need	
 Integrate into the 	
society	
• Stand up for their rights	
• observe discrimination	
law more carefully	



Visit to Civic Education Resources Centre

In order to enhance our students' understanding of Chinese culture and better prepare them for the module on Modern China in the Liberal Studies curriculum, a visit to the Civic Education Resources Centre was organized by the Liberal Studies Department and the Moral and National Education Committee for S.5 students on 21 November 2012.

The visit was divided into two parts: a guided tour and a film appreciation. The visit to the interactive exhibitions was quite informative as it illustrated their different responsibilities in "My home" and "My city". A short clip about a neighborhood quarrel was shown to our students to discuss the best solution to the problem. Through the debate, our students learned their rights and responsibilities as a member of a family and as a neighbour. Besides that, a quiz on Basic Law was conducted.

Then, two Chinese films, namely "Walking to School" (走路上學) and "Getting Home" (落葉歸根), were shown to the English speaking and Chinese speaking students respectively. The lives of children in remote areas of China are far beyond our students' imagination. The children' eagerness to go to school or their dream to "walk to school" touched our students' hearts. The two films had a great impact on our students with a better understanding of our country.

Diwali Celebrations by Hindi Club

On 12 November 2012, the students of the Hindi club celebrated Diwali festival in the school. Diwali, which is an important festival for Indians and Nepalese, is celebrated on 13th lunar day of the Hindu Calendar month, Ashwin, all over the Indian sub-continent. The Hindus place rows of clay lamps outside their homes or business establishments to signify the triumph of good over evil. Diwali commemorates the return of Lord Rama, along with His eternal wife Mata Sita and His dedicated brother Lakshman, from His 14-year exile after vanquishing the demon-king Ravan and granting him salvation.

Diwali is celebrated as the 'festival of lights' because houses, shops and public places are decorated with small earthenware oil lamps called "diyas". The students of the Hindi Club celebrated this festival in the school with great joy. They decorated a display board depicting the history of the Diwali festival using various colorful images. During the morning assembly, the students were familiarized with the history and various rituals associated with this festival. They had a great time celebrating this festival together by eating traditional food and dancing together.









Enhanced Smart Teen Project

Enhanced Smart Teen project is a whole-year programme with the aim of helping students to become confident, self-disciplined and sociable through highly structured training and activities. In this school year, 11 boys and 9 girls from S.2 and S.3 have joined this project and become the Smart-teens.

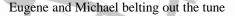
In December 2012, the 20 Smart-teens went on a fiveday training camp organized by Hong Kong Customs and Excise Department in the Staff Training Institute. The Smart-teens participated in a series of activities such as abseiling, foot drills, orienteering and a lot of team building and disciplinary activities. These tasks boosted the self-confidence of the participating students and enhanced their leadership skills and team spirit significantly.

Upon successful training, the 20 Smart-teens will participate in different post-camp activities. They will be given various opportunities to apply the acquired skills at the training camp to help their school in different functions. With a mind-boggling array of talented and enthusiastic performers, this year's Christmas Talent Show showcased some of the best performances ever seen in our school hall since we started holding the event.

Christmas Talent Show

The day's festivities kicked off with the customary band performances and the depth of talent at the disposal of our students was evident from the first performance right up until the last one. The winner of this category was a lively rendition of the Green Day hit "Know your enemy" by Eugene Servigon (6B), Michael Powter (5D), Restua Gabriel (6C) and Daniel Retanan (6D).







Tom singing "If you stay"

Following the singing performances, the dancers got their time in the limelight and this year gave rise to some of the most memorable and scintillating dance routines that the audience was treated to and the crowd's favourite was the Indian Punjabi bhangra mix executed by the troupe consisting of Gurpinder Singh(4E), Gill Diljit Kaur (4A), Singh Sukhvir (4D), Agampreet Kaur (3E), Sukhmandeep Singh (2B), Sukhmandeep Singh (2E), Anmol Kaur (6D) and Singh Pardeep (1C). Their lively and pulsating energy combined with the hypnotic beat proved to be an unbeatable combination. The (brothers Christian(6A) Capinpins and Jeferson (4C) with sister Jennifer (4C) merit a special mention for their eye-catching routine resplendant in their matching outfits that literally lit up the stage.

After the band performances, it was the solo and group singers who came out on stage to regale us with their interpretations of their favourite songs. In this section of the talent show, Sicuan Tom Keannu Atienza (2C) got the judges' votes and was crowned the champion singing a song called "If you stay", though it must be said that Tejina Limbu of 2D was not far behind with her song performance of the Taylor Swift song, "Sparks Fly".



The bhangra dancers at full tilt



The Capinpins dance for us

This year's event showcased a wide range of talented students who put in long hours and intense practice to prepare for the spectacle that was on display and we look forward to next year's show with bated breath.

City Gallery Visit

A visit to the City Gallery aiming to enhance students' understanding about Hong Kong was successfully held on 21 January 2013 as part of the S.4 post-exam program.

Around 25 students participated and they explored in depth Hong Kong's development through different interactive displays. Students were first shown a video introducing Hong Kong's past, present and future development. They were then invited to explore the gallery freely to discover more about Hong Kong.

Students were amazed by the changes of Hong Kong and discovered more knowledge than just purely reading their textbooks.







Hiking For Charity



"Hiking for Charity" was co-organized by CYC and Careers Committee on 19 January 2013. The hiking began with a visit to The University of Hong Kong (HKU), followed by a 2.5 kilometer walk up to The Peak via Lung Fu Shan Country Park from HKU campus.

It was hoped that the activity could raise fund for charities as well as enhance students' knowledge about tertiary institutes. The weather was very suitable for hiking on the day and students were interested in the different facilities of the campus as well as the landscape of Hong Kong. They looked forward to future fund-raising events in order to support charities further in their work.



Mrs. Yau's Farewell Speech

On 12 July 2012, Mrs. Yau Kwong Tse Wai, one of the most dedicated and respected teachers in our school, and one who had served our school for 31 years, shared with her beloved students a farewell speech before her retirement. Her words of advice are still in the hearts of so many students who have benefitted from her teaching and expressed their best wishes to Mrs. Yau on her retirement.



My relationship with Sir EK began 31 years ago. I have witnessed its growth from a miniature school with only 10 classes, around 20 teachers and 300 students to a full-fledged school with 31 classes this year, more than 60 teachers and almost 1000 students. Sir EK has grown from a small family to a huge family. However, no matter how big or how small, our school is unique. No matter where you come from and who you are, here is the best place to learn to accept and respect one another and to work and play in harmony.

Many things in life do not last. You wanted so very much to own an iPhone 4, worked part-time to earn extra pocket money, got one eventually, was excited about it for three days and soon heard that iPhone 5 was on the way. Material things don't last; neither do things like our appearance, for instance. But other things do. Things like sound values and attitude, good habits, knowledge and friendship all last and all these things can be acquired at school, especially during your secondary school days, one of the most important stages of your life.

I love my EK students. I like you because you are very optimistic, expressive, candid, good-natured and very friendly. So, pick up as many rocks, I mean, diamonds during your secondary school days. **Diamonds are forever**! It is my hope that you can all reach your fullest potential, develop a healthy body, an educated mind, a warm heart and a happy soul. It is also my hope that one day you would stand and live as witnesses to the legacy of Sir EK.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

On 28 September 2012, as part of the Staff Development Day, the staff members paid a visit to a Sikh Temple and Hindu Temple, in order to have a better understanding of the Indian culture and the two major religions: Sikhism and Hinduism of India. In the Sikh temple, with shoes and socks doffed and their heads covered with scarves, the teachers, accompanied by the Assistant Principals and Principal, toured the Sikh temple, where they first offered prayers in the main prayer hall, followed by lunch. The teachers were also given more insights into the Sikh religion by local community members. After that the group also visited the Hindu Temple located in Happy Valley, where they learnt more about Hinduism. They were later offered tea by the temple staff. The staff members found this experience wonderful, as it was their first time ever to visit these places and get to know more about these religions.

