

## PRINCIPAL'S MEETING WITH PARENTS



Following the success of the principal's meetings with parents, the PTA continued to organize similar meetings in the 2012-2013 school year. In total, eight meetings were arranged, each one with a different theme. Each meeting concluded with a question and answer session, which provided the perfect forum for parents to voice their opinions and / or concerns and to seek answers to any questions they might have. All in all, parents found the meetings useful and cherished the ample opportunities provided by the PTA for close dialogue with the school management and of course, to meet other parents.

### • Summary of Meetings

	Date	Time	Function (if any)	Venue	Theme	Number of participants
1	05/10/2012	15:45 – 17:30	School day Before the AGM and Parents night	Room 111	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School developments</li> <li>School Intranet, ECA and Q &amp; A session</li> <li>AGM</li> </ul>	47
2	23/11/2012	5:30- 6:30	Parents nights	School campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent's Sharing session, and term test results</li> </ul>	80
3	07/12/2012	Whole day	Speech day	Room 111	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sharing session,</li> </ul>	12
4	25/01/2013	15:45 – 17:30	School day		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sharing session,</li> <li>Jupas Talk</li> <li>Promotion criteria</li> <li>Second term commencement and Exams</li> </ul>	21
5	02/03/2013	Whole Day	Parents day	School campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parents day</li> </ul>	100
6	15/03/2013	Whole Day	Learning Celebrations and PTA fun day	School campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>recent development of the school</li> <li>Sharing session,</li> </ul>	20
7	24/05/2013	15:45 – 17:30	School Day	Room 111	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guidance &amp; Counseling</li> <li>Sharing session,</li> <li>Identifying learning difficulties &amp; helping your children improve their language skills and building a positive relationship with them.</li> </ul>	15
8	05/07/2013	16:00 – 17:30	School Day	Room 111	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summer vacation activities</li> <li>New school developments 2013-2014</li> <li>Q &amp; A</li> </ul>	25

## Sponsoring / Subsidizing Student Participation in Outside Events and Prizes and Awards

The PTA sponsored 50% of the entry fees of the students who participated in the 64th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival held in November and December 2012. The PTA sponsored the Academically Most Improved Students' Award

in July 2012. Students who had shown great academic improvement in the Annual Examination 2012-2013 were nominated to receive the award. The PTA provided a \$500 subsidy to the school's sports teams and Dance Team to cover travelling expenses and refreshments.

Date	Event / Prize / Award	Participants
November – December 2012	64th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival French Speech Festival	30 students
July 2013	Academically Most Improved Students Award	25 students
September 2012 – June 2013	Subsidies for school dance and sport teams	18 teams
13th June 2013	French DELF Subsidized fees for students	22 students

## PTA Fun Day BBQ

The Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) Fun Day was organized by the PTA after the prize-giving ceremony of Learning Celebrations on 15th March 2013 at our school campus.

The Fun Day worked successfully as a platform for parents and teachers to interact with each other in order to improve parent-teacher relationship so as to foster home-school cooperation.

There were around 80 participants including students, their parents and the rest of their families, as well as teachers. The PTA sponsored coal, barbecue pits, fish balls, bread, corn, sweet potatoes, halal sausages and meat. Every member including students had a fantastic time. The entire evening was filled with positive energy and fun.

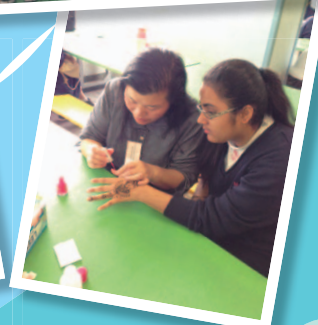


## PTA Interest Classes

Following the success of the PTA interest classes in the last school, this year with the help of some willing and volunteer parents, a variety of interest classes were conducted to foster home-school cooperation. The interest classes were free of charge and open to all school stakeholders - parents, students and teachers – on a first-come first-served basis.

Lots of enthusiastic students and teachers participated in the Pilates and Funky Dance classes. Students enjoyed the Bowling and tennis activities outside school. These activities gave the students chances to do things outside the school environment helping them to be independent and responsible.

S.No.	Interest Classes	Dates & Time	No. of participants
1	Funky Dance	29/5 (S1-S5) 3:45 - 4:45 p m	27
2	Pilates	2/7 (S1-S3) 8:25 -10:00 am	8
3	Pilates	3/7 (S4-S5) 9:00 -10:00 am	6
4	Nail Polishing	2/7 (S1-S3) 10:30am -12:05pm	19
5	Cheese Cake Making	3/7 (S4-S5) 10:30am -12:05pm	16
6	Bowling	5/7 (S1-S5) 8:25am -12:05pm	16
7	Tennis	3/7 (S1-S5) 10:00am -12:05pm	7
8	How To Make Money	5/7 (S4-S5) 10:30am -12:00 noon	25



# Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon)

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## Principal's Message

It is my great pleasure to be able to convey a message for the PTA newsletter of Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon). Last school year (2012-13) was an extremely fruitful and remarkable year for SEKSS(WK). Apart from the general improvement of our students in discipline and studies as recognized by stakeholders, our students obtained a lot of awards in various inter-school competitions. I would like to highlight some of them such as the Hang Lung Mathematics Gold Award, Six outstanding performers and the best coordination awards in the HK School Drama Festival and two champions, one 2nd runner-up awards in the Boulder Fence Model Design Competition (Junior).

Regarding academic performance, our students achieved very good results in English Language and very satisfactory results in category A subjects in the HKDSE and with the best student attaining 2(5\*\*), 4(5\*) and 1(5) while students' performance in Applied Learning, GCSE(Chi), GCE(AS)(Chi) and Other Languages were excellent.

Knowing our students' talent in performing arts, resources have been allocated for a musical drama production leading to the participation in the Inter-school Drama Festival. Moreover, a new partnership programme with NGOs to offer Fashion Design mentorship programme has also been included in our Aesthetic programme. Via these programmes our students have been found to have developed a better understanding of their own potential and talent. Moreover, I am very glad to announce that our old D & T room has been converted into a new mini-hall and two multi-purposes rooms for other languages and aesthetic education for supporting aesthetic and language development of our students. All these have been found very effective in building up students' self-confidence and self-esteem.

Under the NSS academic structure, we are very serious about personal development and careers education of our students as secondary 6 graduates would encounter multi-pathways. To prepare them for their future challenges, mentorship schemes for assisting them to set their life goals have been offered by alumni and NGOs. Activities on life experience sharing and visits would be organized to enrich our students.

To facilitate home-school cooperation, we have been using frequently various channels to enhance home-school communication, especially through the monthly meetings with the Principal, as we believe that effective home-school cooperation is essential for the betterment of our students. With the help from the PTA Chairman, the school has succeeded in re-establishing our close link with the Kadoorie Family and the school is going to celebrate our Founder's day – for sustaining Kadoorie families' philanthropic tradition in the minds of our students.

Lastly, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to the Chairman, Mr. Nachiappan Thirupathi and all the executive members of PTA under whose leadership our Parent-Teacher Association has been very supportive and enthusiastic about various aspects of the school. In particular, the PTA offered sponsorship for students sitting for public examinations in other languages. I have to express my sincere thanks to our passionate staff. My heartfelt thanks should also go to all parents for their strong support. With our joint efforts, Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon) would continue to endeavor further achievements in the years ahead.



## Chairman's Message

Dear Parents

First of all let me take this opportunity to welcome you to Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School and introduce our Parent-Teacher Association. Our PTA's aim is to be a bridge between school and home, which unifies parents and teachers for the advancement of child welfare and education and at the same time also enhances the cultural foundation of our children. I believe parents are children's first teachers and that parental involvement is essential throughout a child's educational experience.

As a parent, we all must be proud that our kids are studying in a school with a strong history and tradition. Presently our school is able to offer a truly multicultural environment where our children are happy and enjoy going to school each day! Moreover, it is one of the popular Secondary schools among Non-Chinese students in Hong Kong.

Our school offers information sessions, formal Parent-Teacher Meetings and Parent-Principal meetings to ensure that parents are well informed and have the tools to support their child's learning at home.

The PTA fully supports our school Management and our Principal in their long term plans of improving our school's infrastructure and facilities, in fact, this year they constructed a new dance studio and a room dedicated for different languages.

As part of SEK education, students participate in extracurricular activities. Many student-run and school-run clubs and organizations exist on campus, acknowledging a wide spectrum of interests. Our teachers work hard in providing our students with the opportunities to compete regularly in many inter-school, inter-district and international competitions in sports, languages, performing arts and academics. The PTA supports our students and teams that participate in the numerous events and competitions. Please encourage your child to join the wide range of possibilities of participation.

In our previous academic year, the PTA organized a BBQ on our school campus and close to 100 parents, teachers and students joined and everyone enjoyed the event. A big thanks to all those involved, for their help in making this event one of the highlights of the PTA Calendar.

The PTA needs you! Can you help? Just pop along and get involved. If you think you have something to contribute or can offer your help in any way, please leave a message for me at the School Office and I'll arrange to meet you or call you. You can also email me at [thirunach@hotmail.com](mailto:thirunach@hotmail.com). Getting involved with the PTA could not be easier. Meetings are held only 5 - 6 times a year in our school, so join the PTA EXCO. You can also suggest your ideas on how the PTA can best communicate with parents to keep everyone involved.

Thank you for taking the time to read this brief introduction to the PTA and hope to see you all very soon.

Yours sincerely,  
THIRUNACH  
(THIRUPATHI NACHIAPPAN)  
PTA Chairman



## Vice Chairman's Message

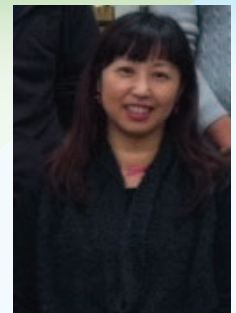
Dear parents,

The aim of our school Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) is to forge ties between home and school, to show their concern and support in order to reinforce the communication between parents and the school, and to help the academic and moral education of the students. As an executive member of the PTA, I sincerely wish parents to actively participate and foster home-school cooperation between the school and parents, to facilitate mutual understanding for the betterment of our school and students.

Thank you.  
LEUNG Lai Chun  
Vice chairperson  
PTA

各位家長，

家教會成立的宗旨是讓學校、家長、老師與同學共同成長，提高對學校的歸屬感及加強家校溝通，協助孩子學業和品德的成長。作為家教會成員的一份子，希望得到家長們的積極參與，刺激家校合作，能夠加深了解，達致家校共融。



謝謝！  
梁麗珍  
家教會副主席

# Parents' Night cum 21st Parents-Teachers' Association (PTA) Annual General Meeting



## PTA Executive Committee Members for 2012-13

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Mr Singh Manpreet	
Ms Chau Sze Man	

On 23rd November 2012– Parents' Night cum 21st Parents-Teachers' Association (PTA) AGM was held in the school hall. Thereafter, 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, gave her chairperson's report and highlighted the aim of further fostering positive thinking, values and enhancement of our students' and parent-members' sense of belonging to the school. She highlighted the achievements made in the last year and acknowledged that the school's, teachers', parents' and students' trust in the PTA has risen tremendously. She was very grateful for the support given by all the parents, teachers and by the school. The minutes of the last 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 as four members were continuing their two-year term. The candidates were introduced and were elected by secret ballot. At 8.45 pm, the results were announced. 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 during the sharing session with the respective class-teachers.

It was truly an enjoyable night as it allowed parents to freely mingle with teachers and share their views. It was a wonderful evening with snacks and drinks sponsored by the PTA. Parents also got to meet their children's subject teachers to know more about their progress. A donation drive during the AGM raised a total sum of HK\$3,087 for the PTA.



## PTA Teacher I/C Mr. Prasad M.Kumar.

The varied activities and events organized by the PTA over past year have enhanced communication between parents and teachers and have served to promote better cooperation between stakeholders in order to provide our students with the best possible opportunities to be involved in their school lives and promote whole school development.

Serving the PTA of our school for the past ten years, I have come to realize the importance of this extremely important organization. It is a very effective and healthy tool to communicate and share our valuable feedback among ourselves. I take this opportunity to extend my gratitude towards all the pro-active parents of the PTA and dedicated teacher members for working towards our only goal -- "How to enhance students' school life and develop healthy and positive attitudes of our students and parents towards the school".

Eagerness to enhance the sense of belonging towards our school and to enrich their knowledge beyond their curriculum should draw more parents to be actively involved in our school's PTA. I take this opportunity to invite more parents to join the executive committee of the PTA.



## PTA Executive committee member

I am Ms. Lau, mother of Candy Chong (4B). It is my privilege to be one of the executive committee members of the school Parent-Teacher Association (PTA). Being a member of the PTA allows me to understand more about the operation of the school. I would like to express my gratitude for the arrangement of the interest classes arranged by the school. It has been an enriching experience for me. I sincerely hope that the interest classes will be more successful in the future so that students can enrich their knowledge beyond their curriculum.

Thank you!  
LAU Tsz Kam, Iris



本人是 4B 班 Candy Chong 的媽媽，本人感到非常榮幸能成為貴校的家教會委員。此崗位讓我能認識及清楚了解學校的運作。另外，本人再一次感謝貴校讓本人參與興趣班，這實是一次非常寶貴的經驗。最後，本人懇切希望家校間能加強合作，讓同學能更投入學校的活動。

謝謝！  
Lau Tsz Kam, Iris

## PTA Executive committee Teacher Member



I've been involved in the PTA as a teacher member serving my third year in it. During these years, I was actively involved in various activities and programmes organised by the PTA. One of the benefits of being a PTA member is that we develop a closer relationship with parents, which lead to the improvement in our students' achievements and the school develops a positive rapport with the community. As there's no better way to know what's going on in your child's school, I would like to invite more parents to join as pro-active members of our PTA. Regular scheduled PTA meetings are an opportunity for you to share information with other parent/teacher members.

SINGH Manpreet

