

SIR ELLIS KADOORIE SECONDARY SCHOOL (WEST KOWLOON)

PARENTS-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION 2014-2015

Annual reports

1. Aims

The parents-Teachers' Association (PTA) was formed with an aim to:

- Promote close liaison between school and home;
- Discuss matters of mutual concern in a concerted effort to improve students' welfare and studies.

2. Representatives on the School Management Committee

Two parent members of the Executive Committee represented the PTA (duly elected by parents and teachers at AGM) on the School Management Committee to help shape school policies and plans.

3. PTA Annual General Meeting, Executive Committee Meetings and PTA Sub-committee Meetings & SMC Parent Representative Election.

The 23rd Annual General meeting (AGM) was held on Friday 21st November 2014 in the school hall. Five executive committee meetings were held in the school year 2014-2015.

Dates	Event	Participants
21 Nov 2014	23 rd PTA AGM	139 Parents Members
21 Nov 2014	SMC Parent Representative Election	Parents
21 Nov 2014	1 st Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members
22 Jan 2015	2 nd Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members
5 Mar 2015	3 rd Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members
3 July 2015	4 th Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members
15 Oct 2015	5 th Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members

4. Principal's Meetings with Parents

Altogether 11 meetings were conducted (6 after school meetings and 5 during school functions). Each meeting concluded with a question and answer session, which provided the perfect forum for parents to voice their opinions and concerns, and to seek answers to any questions they might have. This was a perfect channel for parents to know more about the school and voice their opinion directly to the school management. 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.

5. 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 **20th March** at our school campus. There were around 110 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. Some Nepalese food was prepared and brought by some of our PTA members for the BBQ. Our Principal Mr. Li sponsored fruit for our PTA BBQ and all the teachers participated actively with full enthusiasm. PTA BBQ was a very well organized event with plenty of food available throughout the evening. It was a well attended evening with every participating member having fun. There was a very cordial and joyful atmosphere while teachers and parents were mingling freely along with students.

6. PTA Interest Classes

Following the success of the PTA interest classes last school year, 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-serve basis.

Lot of enthusiastic students and teachers participated in the Pilates and Funky Dance classes. Students enjoyed the classes 'How to make money", and bowling activity outside the school. These activities gave students a chance to do things outside the school environment and helped them to be independent and responsible.

	Interest Class	Dates
1	Nail Art & Henna Art	20 th Mar 2015
2	How to make Money	30 th Jun 2015
3	Latino Funky Dance	2 nd July 2015
4	Pilates	3 rd July 2015
5	Cooking	7 th July 2015
6	Bowling	9 th July 2015

7. 18th Parents Also Appreciate Teachers Drive

Dates	Activity	Participants
March – Jun 2015	Writing Postcards of Appreciation to Teachers	512 parents & students
20 th March 2015	Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to Teachers	PTA Executive committee parent members

8. National Costume Day

Dates	Activity	Participants
3 rd July 2015	National Costume Day	S.1- S.5 students and teachers

9. PTA Involvement in School Functions

Dates	Activity	Participants
30 Aug 2014	Orientation Day for New Students and Parents	200 new students and parents
21 Nov 2014	Parents' Night	240 parents and guests
5 Dec 2014	Speech Day	Executive Committee members
20 Mar 2015	Learning Celebrations	Executive Committee members

10. Sponsoring / Subsidizing Student Participation in Outside Events, Prizes and Awards

The PTA sponsored 50% of the entry fees of the students who participated in the 66th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival held in November and December 2014. The PTA also sponsored the Academically Most Improved Students' Award in July 2015. Students who had shown great academic improvement in the Annual Examination 2014-2015 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
01 Sept 2014	Refreshments for Orientation Day	50 students
29 Sept 2014	French AFLE Membership	Second languages
21 Nov 2014	Refreshments for student helpers for primary school visits	100 students
16 Dec 2015	Materials for primary school visits and students activities	100 students
06 Jan 2015	Workshop for Parents on Internet Addiction	35 parents
21 Jan 2015	Transportation arrangements for primary school visit	57 students
7 Feb 2015	Subsidy for Music Theory Exams fee	2 students
November – December 2015	66 th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival French Speech Festival (5 students)	30 students
7 March 2015	Refreshments for parents and teachers; lunch Boxes for student volunteers	50 parents and 15 students
11 March 2015	50% subsidy for Creative Writing Competition	7 students
20 March 2015	Hire of candy and pan-cake machines on Learning Celebrations Day for students	Whole school
20 March 2015	181 Book coupons for students' award on Learning Celebrations	181 students
8 May 2015	Donation Drive in School for Nepal Earthquake Victims	Whole school
10 May 2015	Souvenirs for S.6 students	120 students
July 2015	Academically Most Improved Students Award	25 students
September 2014 – June 2015	Subsidies for school dance and sport teams	18 teams
15 June 2015	French DELF Subsidized fees	5 students
8 July 2015	Transportation for primary school visit for Art fair	50 students

11. Raising fund to help the Nepal earth quake victims.

PTA, along with the help of teachers and students, raised about HK\$25,000 for the victims of Nepal earth quake disaster. We donated the fund by cheque to the Consulate General of Nepal in Hong Kong.

12. Purchase of Hindi and Urdu Books

The PTA assisted the school in the procurement of Hindi and Urdu books from India and Pakistan.

The varied activities and events organized by the PTA over the 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. The activities organized by PTA have 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.

Thank you.

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