

SIR ELLIS KADOORIE SECONDARY SCHOOL (WEST KOWLOON)

PARENTS-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION 2015-2016

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 24th Annual General meeting (AGM) was held on Friday 20th November 2015 in the school hall. Five executive committee meetings were held in the school year 2015-2016.

Dates	Event	Participants
20 Nov 2015	24 th PTA AGM	99 Parents Members including teachers
20 Nov 2015	SMC Parent Representative Election	Parents
10 Dec 2015	1 st Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members
25 Feb 2016	2 nd Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members
28 Apr 2016	3 rd Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members
30 Jun 2016	4 th Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members
06 Oct 2016	5 th Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Members

4. Principal's Meetings with Parents

Altogether 9 meetings were conducted (4 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 **18th March** at our school campus. There were around 115 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	18 th Mar 2016
2	How to make Money	29 th Jun 2016
3	Latino Funky Dance	5 th July 2016
4	Pilates	4 th July 2016

7. 19th Parents Also Appreciate Teachers Drive

Dates	Activity	Participants
March – Jun 2016	Writing Postcards of Appreciation to Teachers	450 parents & students
20 th March 2016	Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to Teachers	PTA Executive committee parent members

8. National Costume Day

Dates	Activity	Participants
30 June 2015	National Costume Day	S.1- S.5 students and teachers

9. PTA Involvement in School Functions

Dates	Activity	Participants
30 Aug 2015	Orientation Day for New Students and Parents	150 new students and parents
20 Nov 2015	Parents' Night	240 parents and guests
4 Dec 2015	Speech Day	Executive Committee members
18 Mar 2016	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 67th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival held in November and December 2015. The PTA also sponsored the Academically Most Improved Students' Award in July 2016. Students who had shown great academic improvement in the Annual Examination 2015-2016 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 2015	Refreshments for Orientation Day	50 students
16 Oct 2015	Refreshments for Principals' meeting with parents	Parents
21 Nov 2015	Refreshments for student helpers for primary school visits	100 students
4 Dec 2015	Refreshments for Speech Day	75 Parents
	Materials for primary school visits and students activities	100 students
20 Jan 2016	Graduation Gown for S6 students	142 Pcs
23 Feb 2016	Refreshments for Student helpers on parents' Day	25 students
25 Feb 2016	Transportation arrangements for primary school visit	57 students
March 2016	Trophies and Medals for Inter-Primary School Story Telling Competition	10 students
November – December 2015	67 th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival	30 students
7 March 2016	Refreshments for parents and teachers; lunch Boxes for student volunteers	50 parents and 15 students
March 2016	Hire of candy and pan-cake machines on Learning Celebrations Day for students	Whole school
March 2016	181 Book coupons for students' award on Learning Celebrations	181 students
April 2016	Subsidizing DELF Junior French Exam	4 Students
May 2016	Buying Insurance for Honing Skill Program	3 students
July 2016	Academically Most Improved Students Award	25 students
September 2015 – June 2016	Subsidies for school dance and sport teams	18 teams
15 June 2016	French DELF Subsidized fees	5 students
8 July 2016	Transportation for primary school visit for Art fair	50 students
25 May 2016	Buying Clear folders for school use	1000 Pcs

11. Purchase of Spanish, 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.