



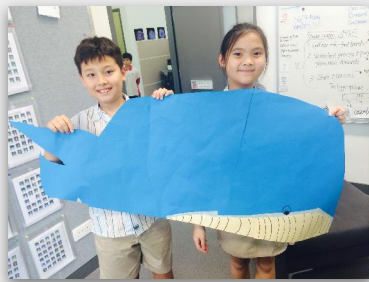
KJS NEWS



ACTION TO BE TAKEN: Sign up for parent consultations, enter photographic competition 'My Hong Kong'.

ACTION ASSEMBLY

We all thoroughly enjoyed Mr Fay's assembly on the last day of half term. Focussing on 'action', one of the key elements of the Primary Years Programme, we reflected on how our actions can make a difference to the world around us. Maxim and Charmaine told the story 'Dear Greenpeace in a very creative way.



Our gardening team shared some of the vegetables they have harvested and reminded the children to not pick them as they walk past.



We also shared some data from our power use monitoring system and saw how much money we can save on electricity if we use to sensibly in and around school. Remembering to turn off lights and air conditioning can really make a difference.

Welcome Back

to the start of the new half term. I hope you have had the chance to enjoy spending more time with your children over the course of the week.

From now until the Christmas holidays we have lots in store for the children. Y4, Y5 and Y6 will be off on their camps over the next few weeks. School camps are an extremely important part of your child's school experience. Staying away from home and enjoying different experiences with their friends and teachers not only creates amazing memories but enables the students to further develop their independence and apply the skills they have learnt in school. With my own children off on camp next week I am familiar with the anxiety some parents feel before their children pack and go. I am also aware of the importance of my words and actions on how they feel about leaving the family for a few days and try to always be encouraging, reassuring and positive about their imminent adventures. I will be thinking of the parents of our older children as you prepare your children - and yourselves - for their camp experience. Please note that our camp costings are made with the expectation that all children are attending.

Over the next week we will be auditioning for the Diwali Assembly on the 13th November. Please sign here if your child is planning to audition: <http://goo.gl/forms/f7GiSgtdYR> A small selection of students will be asked to perform at the assembly to ensure we have a range of presentations and ages in the assembly. Those children who are chosen will be notified as soon as possible.





This year we are partnering with BOUNCE inc in Kowloon Bay to offer our students in Years 3-6 the opportunity to learn trampolining during their sport session. This programme will help develop students physical confidence and extend their balance, coordination and movement skills in a unique setting.

Bouncing on a trampoline increases awareness of the body as it moves in space and helps to improve the sense of balance and coordination. Students learn to coordinate the use of their arms and legs while bouncing and to adjust the position of their bodies in response to tasks and challenges. Many of the BOUNCE movements and body positions involves learning that can transfer to the learning of particular sport skills. Improved coordination and fine motor skills can assist in other sports that require hand-eye and general coordination.

Our programme begins next week with 6P, 5R, 4C and 3M all traveling from school for their first KJS BOUNCE experience!

SAFETY

Safety is the number one priority for all of our activities. BOUNCE rules and safety guidelines have been developed in conjunction with acknowledged safety experts specifically to meet or exceed world's best practice. To minimise the chance of dangerous situations, especially for inexperienced jumpers, BOUNCE has clearly posted trampoline court rules at the entrance to each court or learning station. These rules are learnt and understood by students and enforced by floor staff.

As with most organisations parents will be required to sign a waiver to allow their children to participate in the programme. BOUNCE inc have been very helpful in providing an e-waiver which must be completed on-line before the start of the programme. Please follow the link below to ensure your child is able to take part.

The cost of these sessions will be approximately \$600. We have deferred this payment into term 2 as we know Term 1 can be expensive with Year 4-6 camps.

<http://www.bounceinc.com.hk/kowloon-junior-school>

ACTION AGAIN!

Yesterday, at Heifer Race to Feed 2015 3km Family Fun Run, Bianca was the first female to reach the finishing line! She felt very proud and wants to participate again in order to try to get a better result next year. Bianca would like to invite more people from our school to participate in this charity event in future.



SAVE THE DATE!

We would love to see as many parents as possible at the Sports Days this year. The dates are as follows:

Y3 December 10th am

Y4 December 10th pm

Y5 December 15th am

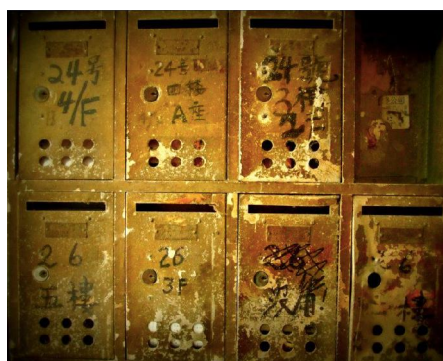
Y6 December 15th pm

Y1 and Y2

15th March am



Thank you to all the students who submitted entries for the INSECTS creative challenge. The display in the hall foyer looks wonderful and demonstrates a wide



range of creative skills, talent and interests. This month we have a photographic creative challenge. Students are asked to take a photograph to illustrate 'My Hong Kong' and to email it to me. Here are some photos from Ms Howells, taken under the theme, demonstrating beautifully how the essence of Hong Kong can be captured in the smallest of details. Students should take the photograph themselves.

Please note that our next Parent Consultations will be taking place on the 12th and 19th of November. Sign up for these will be on Gateway this Wednesday from 4pm.

Let's try to make KJS a really healthy place. Please remember that the less packaged food we give our children the more healthy they will be.

Warmest regards,

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PERFORMANCES

We had lots of lovely music to enjoy in assembly last week:



Senior Choir



Sophie sang a solo.



Ethan, Rhin, Pranav and Sanhida played their composition for us.

Diary Dates

Mon 2nd Nov:

Y1 to Dream Come True Education Park

Tue 3rd Nov:

PTA Meeting (5pm-7pm)

Wed 4th Nov to Fri 6th Nov

Y4 Camp

Mon 9th to Thur 12th Nov:

School Photographer

Mon 9th Nov

1A & 1B Visit to Road Safety Town

Thur 12th Nov

Parent Consultations 1/2

Fri 13th Nov

Diwali Assembly