



# KJS NEWS



**ACTION TO BE TAKEN: Make some ENORMOUS candies for our Charlie display!**

## School Fair

Our annual school fair is on March 12th - please mark the date in your diary as it promises to be great fun for all the family. This year we have an opportunity for a few acts to perform on stage over the course of the day. Should your child wish to audition please sign up on the following form:

<http://goo.gl/forms/Xss9Npx5as>

## Learner Profile IN ACTION

At the start of the new year it seems timely to remind ourselves of the ten attributes that we we promote and teach across all year groups in school.

- Inquirers*
- Knowledgeable*
- Thinkers*
- Communicators*
- Principled*
- Open-minded*
- Caring*
- Risk-takers*
- Balanced*
- Reflective*

We are keen to develop our community use and understanding of these profiles and so ask you to send a photograph of your child demonstrating one - or more - of the attributes with a brief description of what was happening at the time. These photos will then be shared in subsequent newsletters throughout the year.



## Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a wonderful break and had the opportunity to catch up with friends and family. We are delighted to be back in school with the children and look forward to the next six weeks before the Easter holiday starts at midday on Thursday 25th March. Last term ended with over 300 students performing in our Chinese New Year Assembly and with some children in the upper years having the opportunity to watch performances from other schools at the ESF Chinese New Year celebrations, hosted on the field at KGV. At the end of term we enjoyed watching our school netballers take on the teachers as a fun way to end the netball season!

## Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

This term we will have the opportunity to watch the KJS production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. I am very proud to see how the students have committed to rehearsals so far. Please remember our call for support with display materials - we are asking all children to create enormous candies at home to help decorate the hall. Pinterest has some great ideas to inspire you all. This morning I received three bags full of wonderful creations - I can't wait to see what else you all will make. The production is in the first week of March and decorations will be put up just before so there you don't have long to make something!



## Workshops and parent presentations

Isabelle Henault will be delivering a workshop on '**Emotion Management**' for parents on Saturday 12th March 9.00am at ESF Centre. Please see the attached flyer for details and registration links. There is no cost for parents of ESF students.

### ESF Information Seminar:

An education worth having at kindergarten and primary stages (Speakers: Bec Clements, Sandra Hite and Jonathan Straker)

- Date: Thursday, 3 March 2016
- Time: 6pm – 7pm
- Venue: ESF Centre

A personalised learning approach in ESF secondary schools (Speakers: Chris Durbin and Jonathan Straker)

- Date: Tuesday, 15 March 2016
- Time: 7pm – 8pm
- Venue: ESF Centre

### What to expect at your child's student led conference:

In order for you to understand the philosophy behind our upcoming Student Led Conferences and to maximise the experience for both parent and child we invite all parents to this workshop.

- Date: Monday 7th March
- Time: 4.30 - 5.30
- Venue: KJS School Hall

Registration will be open for this in school workshop on Gateway on Friday 19th February.

Wishing you a wonderful week!



Karen Thomas

Head of School

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## Gardening reminder

We will be very grateful for any of the following (washed) materials that we can use for our planters:

- **Old pots (that are no longer in use)**
- **Plastic food trays**
- **Plastic grape containers**
- **Plastic 1-2L bottles**
- **Yogurt containers**
- **Soup cans**

**THANK YOU!**

## Diary Dates

Y4 Parent Workshop

**Wednesday 17th February 3pm**

Information Seminar: An education worth having at kindergarten and primary stages

**Thursday 3rd March**

Understanding Student Led Conferences

**Monday 7th March**

Y5 Showcase

**Monday 7th March**

Y3 to Crossroads

**Wed 9th/Fri 11th March**

Emotion Management workshop

**Saturday 12th March**

KJS School Fair

**Saturday 12th March**

Information Seminar: A personalised learning approach in ESF secondary schools

**Tuesday 15th March**



# WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS: Emotion Management and Strategies for Individuals with Autism and Asperger's Syndrome

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016

9:00am – 12:15pm

**VENUE:**

English Schools Foundation  
25/F, 1063 King's Road  
Quarry Bay, Hong Kong

**ESF PARENTS REGISTER HERE:**

[http://bit.ly/ESF-Parents\\_March2016](http://bit.ly/ESF-Parents_March2016)

**NON-ESF PARENTS REGISTER HERE:**

[http://bit.ly/Parents\\_March2016](http://bit.ly/Parents_March2016)

(Fee: HK\$400 per person)

## Emotion Management and Strategies for individuals With Autism and Asperger's Syndrome

The workshop explains why adolescents and adults with Asperger's syndrome or other conditions are more prone to develop mood disorders and also explains strategies that can help such individuals learn about and manage emotions. The Cognitive Behavior Therapy includes affective education and cognitive restructuring, i.e. improving the understanding of emotions and changing the way the person perceives and responds to emotions. The concept of an emotional toolbox is used to provide a greater range of strategies to manage feelings.

*The Exploring Feelings activities from Tony Attwood and the CAT-KIT from Kirsten Callisen and coll. will be presented.*



Dr. Isabelle Hénault

### **Dr. Isabelle Hénault**, is a

psychologist from the University of Québec at Montréal, Canada. Her practice and studies have focused on providing diagnosis, education and support to children, adolescents, adults and couples living with Autism and Asperger's Syndrome. Dr. Hénault has developed a Relationship and Sex Education Program. She works with individuals and groups to increase their understanding of sexuality, and conducts relationship counselling. She is presently collaborating on numerous international research initiatives involving socio-sexual education and interpersonal relationships.

Dr. Hénault is the author of *Asperger's Syndrome and Sexuality: From Adolescence through Adulthood*, published by Jessica Kingsley Publisher, London (2005).