





ACTION TO BE TAKEN: Join the creativity challenge - this month the theme is 'insects'!

# **Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds**



It has been great to see so many children bringing in fruit for their snacks and to notice slight changes in lunches. Please remember that our aim for all students to be eating healthy, nutritious and balanced snacks and lunches. Packaged crisps, sweets, biscuits and sweetened drinks all have a very high added salt and sugar content and are not the types of foods we will be encouraging as part of a nutritious snack or lunch in school. Water is all your children need to rehydrate and we have many water fountains across the school to refill water bottles. As a reassurance, all our water sources have been checked and are safe for your child to drink.

## **Growth Mindset**

Please take a moment to watch Jade's wonderful video about Growth Mindset! https://www.youtube.com/watch?y=073Nxsl6Wi4&feature=voutu.be

# **Empowering Learners**

After the disruption of Public Holidays and staff training we are pleased that we will return to normal before the holidays. On Friday KJS hosted conferences for Early Years teachers and Educational Assistants while teachers from Y3 upwards worked alongside ESF colleagues at KGV School. The theme of the conference was 'Empowering Learners' which aligns with one of our goals here at KJS this year. Thanks should go to Mr Moxon, Mr Caplin, Mr Fay, Mrs Parker, Mr Hine, Mr Riddell, Mrs May, Mr Mac and Mrs Austin who all presented workshops for teachers across the Foundation this year - no small task and a real testament to the enthusiasm and talent of our teaching team.

# **Quiz Night - this Friday!**

The Quiz Master will start promptly at 5.15! Please make sure you are at school at 5.00pm in order to enjoy the snacks and drinks before we start. We need a few more parents on the teams! Ideally there should be one or two adults per team. Please check your numbers before Friday!

# **Taekwondo Champ!**



Congratulations to Sewon for winning a gold medal (Group Sparring) and silver medal (Group Pattern) in the 60th Taekwon-do Anniversary Championship Hong Kong at Sheung Shui Lung Sum Avenue Sports Centre last week!

I have been interested to note the debate happening in

classes about the colours used for the different Learning Zones. Here you can see that 2B have made their 'Learning Zone' gold because 'This is the place we want to be!'.



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#### Well done Leo!

I was pleased to hear from the ESF Chinese Advisor, Xiao-Ping Wang, that Leo did a great job representing KJS at the Asia Pacific Chinese/English Bilingual Festival. In Xiao-Ping's words, Leo showed 'an enormous amount of courage and effort to collaborate with other students, not just in the competition, but all the time in the four days of the event.'

### Centre for Talented Youth

As part of the Johns Hopkins University, CTY conducts the oldest and most extensive university-based Talent Search by offering above-grade level testing to the Year 3 to Year 9 students worldwide. For academically advanced students who qualify, CTY offers challenging online programs and summer programs.

On November 2nd from 5pm-6pm, they will hold a joint information session for KGV and KJS in the Guilford Lecture Theatre located on the KGV campus.

If you are interested please RSVP before October 28th: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11zvV6dstSEF78r1BD4Z8hi-Wk4Fx96GQKe1opgvXnck/viewform?usp=send\_form

During the session, parents will be provided with first-hand information about CTY online and summer programs, including their benefits to the students as well as how to qualify.

Thank you to all the children who have already sent pieces for this month's creative challenge - I have been amazed by their imaginative work! As a reminder, Children who wish to participate should bring in a model, drawing, painting (however big or small) or piece of creative writing on Friday 9th October. Please note this is optional and just for fun! All pieces should have your child's name and class clearly marked.

Please find attached the information shared at the KGV Y6 parent evening for those who were unable to attend last week.

Apologies to Tai Chapple who was missed on the last Student Council list. Sorry Tai - we are excited that you are also on the team!

As I type Typhoon Mujigae is raging through Hong Kong. As a reminder please remember to listen to the local news to check if there are any implications for schools or check the school website when the weather conditions are severe.

Warmest regards,

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#### PARENTING TOP TIP

Instead of asking 'What did you do at school today?' try one of these questions instead!

What was the best thing that happened at school today?

Tell me something that made you laugh today.

How did you help somebody today?

What question(s) did you ask today?

Tell me one thing that you learned today.

#### **Diary Dates**

Y3 Sailing days Mon to Fri 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Oct

3E - Monday

3P - Tuesday

3 - Wednesday 3 - Thursday

3 - Friday

Parent Workshop Understanding the PYP Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Oct 5.30pm

Y1 Vaccination am Wed 7th October

**Dress Casual Day** Thur 8th October

PTA Family Quiz Night Fri 9th October

PE. Mandarin and Music Consultations for Y2 and Y4 Tue 13th October

Y4 Camp Meeting 3.15pm Wed 14th October

Y1 & Y2 to theatre Thur 15th October