

Week of 15 November 2024

Dates for Your Diary

21 November	3-Way Conferences (3-6pm)
22 November	3-Way Conferences (all day, no school for students)
28 November	Student Seasonal Influenza Vaccination
29 November	CPD Day-School Closed
29 November	PTA Winter Festival 4:00 -7:00 pm
3-6 December	Y6 Camp
10 December	Y1 & Y2 Athletics Day (9:30am- 12:30pm*)
11 December	Y3 & Y4 Athletics Day (Y3 9:30-11am, Y4 12-2pm*)
12 December	Y5 & Y6 Athletics Day (Y5 Y3 9:30-11am, Y6 12-2pm*)
	<i>*times are approximate</i>
13 December	Last Day of Term (school ends at 12:00)
6 January	First Day of Term 2

Principal's Message

Dear KJS families,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

We are grateful for your support during the unexpected T8 weather alert and school closure yesterday. Your understanding and flexibility during this event were much appreciated. I'd also like to thank the staff for their support and adaptability.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the workshop on Flexible Thinking led by Ian Ong, KJS's school counsellor. Your participation is vital in supporting our students.

This morning, our student council visited Catherine's Puppies, an organization dedicated to rescuing, rehabilitating, and rehoming dogs. This charity has been a valued partner in our community, and I look forward to hearing about the experience from our students.

A friendly reminder that three-way conferences will be held next week on Thursday evening and all day Friday. Please note that school will be closed on Friday to allow students to attend their meetings.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support and I look forward to seeing you at the three way conferences

Mr Gavin MacGregor
Principal

ECA on 21-22 November (Three-Way Conference)

Please note the after-school ECA arrangement below for 21-22 Nov:

21 November (Thursday)	
Continue As Schedule 	Y4-6 Netball
	Baking Class*
	ESF Explore Sports- Gymnastics
	ESF Explore Sports- Football
Cancelled 	Chinese Culture Workshop
	Faust Drama Class
	ESF Explore Language- English

*Time for Baking Class on 21 Nov will be 2:45pm- 5pm

22 November (Friday)	
Continue As Schedule 	Y4 Football
	Y6 Basketball
	ESF Explore Sports - Basketball
Cancell 	Theatre Club
	TASTO Music Clubs
	ECP Writing Club
	Baking Class

Three-Way Conference

The sessions with classroom teachers are 15 minutes in length with appointments available on Thursday 21st November between 3pm and 6pm and on Friday 22nd November between 8am-3pm.

School will be closed for all students on Friday 22nd November
 You can sign up via your gateway login, looking for 'Three-Way Conferences.'

2SQ and 3AN will have a zoom meeting with their new class teacher on 22nd November and have the Three-Way Conference on 16th and 17th January. We will share the booking arrangements for these on Monday 6th January.

2GH will have their meetings on the evening of Wednesday 20th November, instead of Thursday 21st. The meetings on Friday 22nd remain unchanged.

Bookings open at the following times:
 Parents with siblings: Monday 11th November at 5pm
 All other parents: Tuesday 12th November at 5pm
 Bookings will close at 12pm on Sunday 17th November

Year 1 parents note:

For our year 1 families there is an option to meet with your child's Chinese teacher as well as your child's classroom teacher.

Please refer to [here](#) for details.

ESF Christmas Card

(Submission Deadline: 20 November at 8am to Office Email)

ESF is searching for a piece of student artwork to appear on this year's ESF Christmas card. All students are welcome to submit one piece of artwork for the chance to be featured on the card.

FORMAT & THEME:

1. The theme of the art can reflect each student's unique interpretation of the holiday season.
2. Please submit **JPG or PNG**- not HEIC. **NO hardcopy is accepted.**
3. Please name the title of your file with your child's full name and class
4. Please send the file to the KJS office via email at office@kjs.edu.hk before **8am on 20 November 2024** (Wednesday). No late submission and no hardcopy will be accepted.
5. The ESF logo and a festive greeting message will be embedded, so artwork without words is preferred
6. The art piece must be the student's original work without infringing any intellectual property rights.
7. Parent permission and consent should be granted for the child's name, photo, and artwork to be posted on social media.

News from the PTA



Hello KJS Community,

We hope everyone enjoyed the day at home thanks to Typhoon Toragi!



Winter Festival ticket sales and event info!

Dear KJS community,

Our Winter Festival is just around the corner, and we are excited to offer a wonderful mix of holiday cheer, fun activities, and a day of fun for KJS families! To make this event a success, we are calling on our dedicated parent volunteers to help us bring the festive spirit to life.

Tickets can be purchased [here](#) (Volunteers and children under 3 years are free. Sign up [here](#) to get your coupon)

Here's a sneak peek of the activities you can expect at the Winter Festival, and how you can get involved:

Event Highlights:

- **PTA Food & Drinks:** Warm drinks and tasty treats to keep everyone cosy throughout the event! Mince pies, hot chocolate, popcorn, cotton candy...just to name a few
- **Food Hall:** A variety of delicious offerings from local vendors to satisfy every craving.
- **Holiday Candy Shoppe:** A sweet spot for kids and adults to pick up holiday treats.
- **Face Painting:** Creative designs for all ages! Prices range from \$30 to \$70 depending on the design.
- **Holiday Cookie Decorating Station:** Let the kids get creative with frosting and sprinkles! Volunteers needed.
- **Festive Ornaments Decoration Workshop:** A hands-on activity for kids to make their own festive ornaments. Volunteers needed.
- **Letters to Santa:** With help from KJS Times, kids can write letters to Santa and get them delivered directly to the North Pole!
- **Student Council Games:** Fun, sustainable games designed and managed by our Student Council with support from Ms. Bailey.
- **Holiday Winter village Photo Areas with instant print outs:** Two photo areas will be set up with professional photographers for family photos. **\$45 per photo with festive KJS picture frame".** Don't miss out! Skip the Hong Kong shopping malls this year, get your photos at the Winter Festival at KJS!
- **DIY Paper Photo Frames:** Creating custom frames for their photo prints. Volunteers needed.
- **Food Drive: Food Drive:** Please contribute and bring along vegetarian non-perishable/canned food to support the charity we will be supporting: **FeedHK** (FeedHK.org) Let's spread the holiday spirit by giving back!
- **Ground Floor Performances:** Enjoy holiday carols and special performances by *Dance for JOY*. Join us for a magical musical experience! We will ask parents and students to join us in carolling with the school, DJ sets and much more...
- **FREE Picnic Movie in the Hall:** Bring a mat or small foldable chair and enjoy a cosy movie screening on the 1st floor Hall. Spaces will be marked to ensure comfort and crowd control. First come, first serve! Children and families can enjoy a movie with popcorn and drinks. Children love to go to the movie theatre with their friends!

How You Can Help:

We are looking for parent volunteers to assist with various activities, including:

- **Helping at the Cookie Decoration Station**
- **Assisting with Ornament Workshops**
- **Supporting Photo Frame DIY Station**
- **Helping with PTA food and drinks stalls (maybe some festive baked goods, lots of opinion in the stores now)**
- **Set up and take down of the event**

- **Supporting Performances and the Food Drive**
- **DRESS UP AS SANTA and Holiday characters!!!**

Volunteers make this event a memorable experience for everyone, and your support is invaluable in ensuring everything runs smoothly.

Let's come together as a community to create a magical Winter Festival for our children and families. If you're interested in volunteering or have any questions, please [sign up](#) via the link or contact KJS PTA pta@kjs.edu.hk. Make sure to join the whatsapp group. Link is in the sign up doc. Volunteers will receive free entry.

Please check in at the admission area with the designated volunteers line to get your badge and additional info.

Thank you in advance for your support, and we look forward to celebrating the season with you!

Wacky Wednesday 13 Nov 2024



Thank you to all those families who donated towards this cause, a total of **\$4,137.20** was raised and will be given to [SENsational Foundation](#) for their ongoing work with special needs adult employment.

Have a great weekend ahead everyone!

Best wishes,

The KJS PTA Team.

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