Week of 29 November 2024

Dates for Your Diary

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*)
	*times are approximate
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 excited to welcome everyone to the PTA Winter Fair this evening! This event promises to be a delightful experience for families and friends, with a variety of activities, games, and a cinema experience! It's a great opportunity to connect with other families, enjoy some festive fun, and support our school community. We look forward to seeing you there.

On Wednesday, the ESF media team visited KJS to film a new video tour of our campus that showcases our school environment and our wonderful students. The weather was perfect, and all the students involved did an amazing job. We can't wait to share the final video with you, along with our new website, which we hope to launch around Chinese New Year.

A special shout-out goes to our netball teams that participated in the tournament this week! Their amazing defensive skills and teamwork were commendable, and they represented our school really well. We are proud of their efforts. Next week, our Year 6 students will be heading off to camp next week! The excitement is palpable as they prepare for this wonderful adventure. The weather looks perfect for outdoor activities, and I am sure the children will have a fantastic time exploring nature, building friendships, and creating lasting memories.

Have a good weekend.

Mr Gavin MacGregor Principal

Collection of Lost Book Replacement Fees

Throughout the year, we issue invoices to parents for school-based fees, e.g. camp fees, dental care service fees, etc, via the ESF Payment System. For students who have lost library books or home reading books, their parents will receive invoices for the replacement fees after receiving notifications from our Library Team. The School Council has endorsed the arrangement below. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school at finance@kjs.edu.hk.

Type of Replacement Fees	Amount Per Student and/or Collection Mechanism	Details and Justifications of Collection
Fine for severe damage to or loss of library book	 No minimum amount The cost of replacement will be rounded up to the nearest HK\$5 or HK\$10 	To recover the cost of replacement, including administrative costs
Fine for severe damage to or loss of home reading books	 Minimum HK\$45 If higher, the cost of replacement will be rounded up to the nearest HK\$5 or HK\$10 	 To recover the cost of replacement, including administrative costs Most home reading books are not sold individually but in sets. Hence, the unit price for individual books cannot be determined.

Athletics Day

This year all our students will participate in Athletics Days the last week of this term on the following dates;

Y1 and Y2 on Tuesday, 10th December from 9:30am to 11:30am

Y3 on Wednesday 11th December from 9:30am to 11:30am

Y4 on Wednesday 11th December from 12pm to 2pm

Y5 on Thursday 12th December from 9:30am to 11:30am

Y6 on Thursday 12th December from 12pm to 2pm

The Athletics Days will be held on the Perth Street Sports Ground. All children should come to school as usual on that day. All students will walk together from school to the Perth Street Sports Ground with their teachers.

Children should come to school wearing their P.E. kit and school hat. Please make sure your child brings a named water bottle and an easy to eat snack for the Day.

All parents are invited to come along and watch their children take part in this fun event. The sports ground, located behind the Perth Street site, can be accessed at Shek Ku Street, see map below.



School Photo Order

(Deadline: 2 Jan 25)

A sample of the individual shot has been sent home with your child on Thursday so please kindly check his/her school bag as you will need the unique code to proceed with the order.

There are different packages and photo items available for purchase once you log onto the order page. Please note that the previews of the class photo and school photo will only be ready around mid December as these are still being retouched at the moment.

- 1. Please visit <u>https://www.techni-photo.com/order/</u>
- 2. Input the following information to access your child's photo and online order form -
 - Unique Code (as shown on the sample photo)
 - Last Name (as shown on the sample photo)
 - Email Address

3. Order deadline: Thursday, 2 January 2025

The order and payment process can only be done online through Techni Photo. Please **DO NOT** send any paper order form with cash or cheque to school for the purchase. Your order should be ready by the end of February.

For any order enquiries, please contact 'Techni Photo' directly by phone 2803-5988 or by email onlinecs@techni-photo.com.

If your child did not take his/her individual student photo at school earlier this month, please contact Techni Photo directly to schedule another shoot **before 31 December** as your child will need the photo for his/her Gateway account and KJS Year Book.

Student Council Message

Dear KJS Community,

We have written this newsletter to talk to you about how to support Catherine's Puppies. Catherine's Puppies is a shelter and adoption centre for stray dogs based in Sai Kung. The Student Council visited the adoption centre last week to find out more about their work in helping abandoned dogs across Hong Kong.

From <u>November 25th to December 4th,</u> we want our KJS community to donate long socks that are no longer used and balls that are soft and bouncy (around the size of a tennis ball) so we can make recycled dog toys. Please do not buy new socks or balls because we are trying to be more sustainable!

You can also donate dog toys you don't use anymore, but they need to be washed if you want to donate them to prevent the spread of harmful bacteria to dogs.

We are also collecting donations, as we want to help Catherine vaccinate every puppy that is given to her and this costs over \$2000 per dog. This can add up to thousands of dollars every month!

You can help by donating a minimum of \$20 on <u>Wednesday, 4th of December</u> which will be our Dress Casual Day where students can dress up as their favourite animal!

Finally, we also have a **festive art competition** to celebrate the wonderful work of Catherine's Puppies! The competition is open to ALL students at KJS and starts on Monday, 25th November and closes on Wednesday, 4th December. The collection box for entries will be located in the ground floor School Office.

Rules of the Competition:

- Create a DOG inspired piece of FESTIVE art!
- You can draw, colour, paint, create on an app Be creative

- Your entry should be A3 or A4 size (landscape of portrait)
- The artwork should be the work of the child who is entering!
- The name and class of the child entering should be clearly visible on the back of their artwork

The winning entry will be used by Catherine's Puppies on their social media pages over the festive season. It will also be featured on the front page of The KJS Times on Friday, 6th December where the winner will be announced!

We really appreciate your support in taking action for a worthy cause.

Kind regards,

Remy, Tanya and Bitz from the 2024-2025 Student Council

News from the PTA



Hello KJS Community,

Today's the day for our Winter Festival and by the time you read this, we will be enjoying the whole event (or maybe it's over by now...)

Lonnie Bedwell's next adventure with KJS Drake the Dragon!



We are very excited to announce that Lonnie Bedwell, who presented to KJS in May 2024, has started his Antarctica adventure. Year 4, 5 & 6 students who attended Lonnie's

presentation last year, will recall that Antarctica was the next step in Lonnie's quest to climb the tallest mountain on each of the 7 continents and ski to both the North and South Poles.

Lonnie landed at Union Glacier Station on Antarctica earlier this week. His climb of Antartica's Vinson Massif (4,892 meter tall) near Union Glacier has already started! After the climb of approximately 1 week, Lonnie will endure 2 to 3 weeks to ski to the South Pole!



KJS students will be able to follow along!

- A real-time satellite GPS will relay Lonnie's location to his website:

<u>https://www.sightlesssummits.com/</u> just click on the top banner to **"Follow the Antarctica Expedition".**

- A screen <u>at the main office window</u> will also display his location website, along with some Antarctica info.

- If all goes well, there may be an opportunity for KJS students to have a Zoom call with Lonnie at the South Pole, including a surprise with KJS's Drake the Dragon!

Save the Date! 2025 School Fair

We have only 2 more weeks left in this term, but are already gearing up for the main School Fair which is going to be held on 22 March 2025, so mark your diaries!

FeedHK

Feedhk will Collect non-perishable vegetarian items which will go to Support underprivileged families in need of nourishment. Collection boxes have been set up outside the PTA Office and will remain there till the end of the term.

Some examples of items to donate:

- Vegetarian(no meat/no seafood)
- Pasta, noodles, canned goods (beans, soups, corn, broth, vegetables, fruit)
- Packaged cookies, biscuits, rice, or oil

For safety reasons, please DO NOT send in any items in glass jars or bottles, they are dangerous.

We appreciate all and any help No one, nowhere, at any time, should go hungry!

As always, please contact the PTA Office if you have any queries.

Have a great weekend and stay warm!

Best wishes, The KJS PTA Team. Tel: 3765-8709 | Email: <u>pta@kjs.edu.hk</u> | Whatsapp: 6211-4154 | Website: <u>www.kjspta.com</u>

Baking Class





Baking Class -KJS Term 2 Jan - Mar



Learn. Create. Be inspired.

Junior bakers (5-11 yr) learn baking techniques: mix, sift, whisk, fold, roll, knead, shape, pipe. Bake and decorate: cupcakes, cookies, muffins, donuts and savoury treats. Taught by international school teacher and cake designer. Baking lessons are 90 minutes, with ingredients and chef hat. New recipes each term. For more info, please contact Ms.Hong:

flourhk@hotmail.com

f www.facebook.com/flourhk

KJS Baking Class Term 2 JANUARY - MARCH

1	2	3	4	5
SNAKE Pretzel	POP ART Cookie	SPRINKLE Cupcake	PIZZA Donut	BROWNIE Cookie
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6	7	8	9	
ZUCCHINI Slice	OWL Cupcake	CHEESE CRACKER	BUNNY Cake Pop	fløur

Junior bakers (5 -11 yr) learn to bake and decorate delicious desserts and savoury goodies. Thursday or Friday baking lessons are 1.5 hours with ingredients, equipments, recipes and aprons provided. For more information, please contact Ms. Hong: flourhk@hotmail.com or www.facebook.com/flourhk

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TERM 2:	JANUARY 17 - MARCH 28	
THURSDAY:	3:00PM - 4:30PM	
FRIDAY:	3:00PM - 4:30PM	
VENUE:	KJS DT ROOM	
TERM FEE:	9 LESSONS - \$3,555	