

# Week of 17 January 2025

## Dates for Your Diary

24 January	Last Day before Chinese New Year (School ends at 12pm)
27-31 January	Chinese New Year Holiday
3 February	CPD Day
21 February	PTA Bingo Night
2-6 March	Book Week
22 March	PTA School Fair
<b>25-26 March*</b>	Y4 Camp
(*REVISED DATES)	
3 April	Last Day of Term 3 (School ends at 2:45pm)

## Principal's Message

Dear KJS families,

I hope this message finds you well.

This week, our Theatre Club performed 'The Tempest' in the School Hall, while also showcasing fantastic use of our Hall lights and sound equipment. Parents in attendance were truly impressed, and we even had some KGV students join us on Wednesday who were equally amazed. We cannot wait for the next performance! A huge thank you goes to Ms. Jackson for supporting our wonderful performers through the many rehearsals at Theatre Club.

Related to performing arts, we are delighted that the Faust theatre company will again be at KJS this time performing for our Year 3 students next week. This is a wonderful opportunity for our learners to experience live theatre in an innovative and interactive way.

I wanted to also share that we have also recently developed some comprehensive KJS guidelines to ensure consistency in many aspects of the school day. This information will be shared with parents and will be uploaded on our new website after the Lunar New Year holiday. We hope that you will find it useful and informative.

Next week marks our Lunar New Year celebrations, and we are looking forward to the festivities! Please be reminded that next Friday, we will finish at 12pm to allow families to begin preparations for this wonderful time of year. Let's look forward ahead to the Year of the Snake!

Tomorrow morning, some of our students in Years 3-6 will participate in the ESF wide cross country event at KGV. See further details below Good luck to all involved!

Lastly, a quick reminder to complete our IB Evaluation Parent Survey that was sent out last week, your support is greatly appreciated. [Link Here](#)

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Gavin MacGregor

Principal

### ***Last Chance for Registration - ESF CROSS COUNTRY FESTIVAL 2024/25***

Dear parents,

This is the final opportunity to register your child to participate in tomorrow's ESF cross-country festival at KGV. Below are the details for the day.

The following boys and girls races will be offered;

1. Year 3's - 1200 metres approx. Approximate start time 9:15 am
2. Year 4's - 1700 metres approx. Approximate start time 9:45 am
3. Year 5's - 2200 metres approx. Approximate start time 10:15 am
4. Year 6's - 2200 metres approx. Approximate start time 10:45 am

The day will start at 8:50 am with a course walkthrough for our younger students. ALL runners will be expected to be at the venue 30 minutes before their race time dressed in KJS PE uniform.

*\*This event is designed as a very informal racing opportunity. There is no central timing and therefore no formal presentations at the end of the day. Students can run/race and then leave. With this in mind all students must be supervised by their parents/guardians for the duration of their stay at the venue.*

If you would like your child to participate as a member of the KJS team please complete the google form attached [here](#).

Kind regards,

KJS PE Department

## **Student Council News- Food Drive from 20-24 January**

Dear KJS Community,

Our KJS Student Council has organised a Food Drive from Monday, 20th January to Friday, 24th January. This Food Drive coincides with Chinese New Year, a time for celebration, family gatherings, delicious food, and giving thanks.

In this special time of year, we aim to donate to a worthy Hong Kong charity, Feeding Hong Kong. In celebration of Chinese New Year and our festivities at KJS next week, we kindly ask as many students as possible to bring something to support our drive. Just one item can help, and together we can make a big difference in the lives of people living in poverty. If everyone brings in just one item of food, we would collect 900 pieces!

If you are interested in donating, please check what you can donate and how. You can bring:

- Any dry foods
- Canned goods
- Baby formula
- Noodles
- Cooking oil (in plastic bottles)
- Pasta
- Dry snacks (such as crackers)
- Rice
- Oats and cereals

Please ensure the expiry date of the food items is within two months. This helps guarantee that the food is safe and suitable for distribution to those in need. Please do not bring expired food, as it is illegal to donate expired food in Hong Kong.

### **So why should our KJS Community help?**

Every day, more than 3,300 tonnes of food waste are sent to landfills in Hong Kong, while over 1 million people live in poverty, struggling to afford food.

The world produces enough food to feed everyone, yet almost 1 billion people are still chronically undernourished. One of the problems is that roughly 1/3 of the food produced every year is lost or wasted—enough to feed 3 billion people. If 25% of that globally were saved, it would be enough to feed 870 million people.

The Student Council will also visit Feeding Hong Kong next Monday to see what happens to the donated food, including how it is organised and redistributed to people in need.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Kind regards,

Remy, Tanya, Masie, Kj, and Yau Yau  
2024 - 2025 Student Council

## Library News

The Library Team is thrilled to share some fantastic news about our missed edition of **Posties—Issue #635, published on December 30th, 2024!**

We had the pleasure of featuring an article by the talented Karisma Hari from 5EG! Inspired by Elvis (5JO), Karisma wrote an engaging piece about space during library class, and it truly shines! ✨



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### Karisma Hari (aged 9), Kowloon Junior School

Saturn is the sixth planet from the sun, and it is a really fascinating place! Nobody has ever landed on Saturn before. Here are some fun facts about the planet.

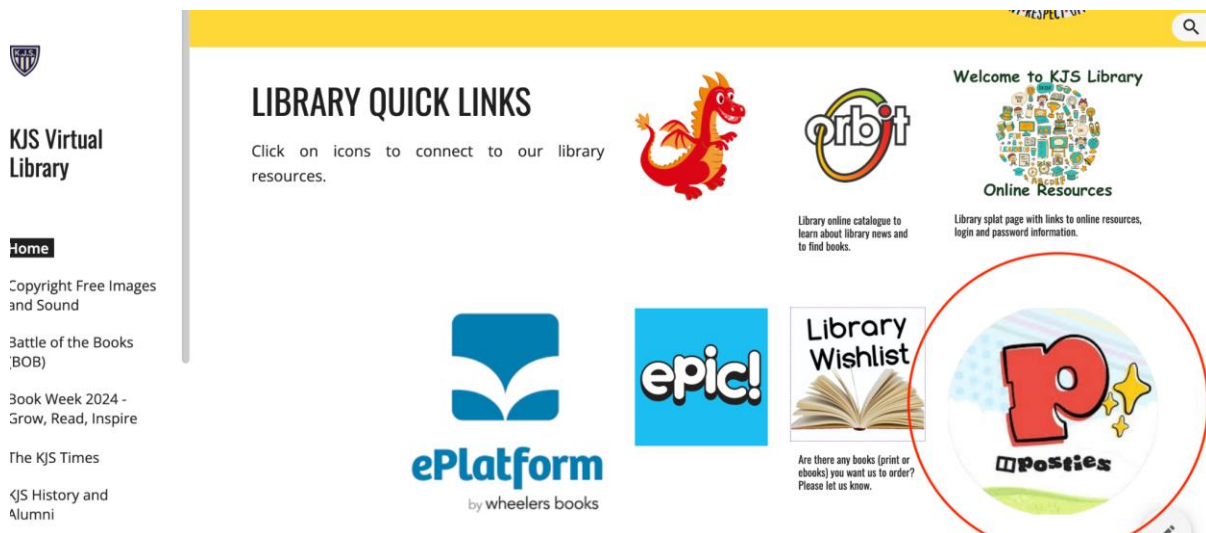
Saturn is about 1.4402 billion km from the sun. This is one of the reasons why the planet is very cold. Its average surface temperature is -178 degrees Celsius.

Saturn's diameter is 116,500 kilometres. This is 10 times the diameter of Earth, but Jupiter is even bigger. Saturn is also the flattest planet! It has 146 moons in its orbit, more than any other planet. It is also known for its many rings.

This week in our library classes, we've been celebrating Karisma and our other amazing student authors. Plus, I want to remind everyone that KJS Virtual Library (<https://sites.google.com/kjs.hk/kjs-virtual-library/home>) now has a shortcut linked to the Google Form for Posties submissions! Every week, there's a new featured topic, so students should check the Google Form and submit their articles anytime they want.

Let's keep the momentum going and inspire more students to share their voices in Posties!

You may notice that many of your children are eager to write during their spare time. Let's keep the momentum going and inspire more students to share their voices in Posties!



## Registration for Non-Sport ECAs (Term 2, Y3 - Y6)

Registration is open now on Gateway and will close on **Tuesday, 21 January at 9am.**

Each club has different capacity and students will be placed on a waiting list once the club has reached its limit. Registration will be randomised and NOT on a first come first served basis. An email notification will be sent out by the end of next week to confirm your registration.

## News from the PTA



Hello KJS Community,

We are so lucky in Hong Kong to be celebrating another new year, this time the approaching Lunar New Year.

The PTA Team is still working towards the next events coming up and we don't stop!

## Social Bingo Night 21 Feb 2025



On 21 Feb, we will hold a Social Bingo Night (for adults only) at the Kowloon Cricket Club. This will be an opportunity for parents to mix and mingle, make friends and win prizes at bingo. Tickets will be limited due to venue capacity and will go on sale after the Lunar New Year break, so look out for them.

## The KJS Carnival School Fair 22 March 2025

Plans are well and truly underway for the biggest event of the KJS Calendar, the school fair! This year, the theme is “The KJS Carnival” and we need all our community members to come together and help make this the best one yet!

There are many ways you can get involved, sign into this [Google Form](#) to indicate your interest.

## Raffles



When we return from the mid term break, we will be sending out raffle ticket booklets for our annual fundraising for the school. This year, the aim is to raise money to update the outdoor play areas, and the more we can raise, the bigger the impact we can make for our children to enjoy. More information around this will follow soon, so keep an eye out for it!

Best wishes,  
The KJS PTA Team.

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