

Week of 26 September 2025

Dates for Your Diary

30 September	“Who We Are” Learning Conference
1 October	Public Holiday
6-13 October	Mid Term Break
20-22, 22-24 October	Y5 Camp
29 October	Public Holiday
3-7 November	Book Week
21 November	CPD Day
8 December	Election Holiday
12 December	Last Day of Term 1 (school ends at 12nn)

Principal’s Message

Dear KJS families.

Well, what a week! First, thank you for your patience with the 3 days of closure due to the typhoon. As a parent myself, I am aware of how challenging that is, trying to support online learning while still having to work from home.

I would also like to share thanks to the KJS staff community, in particular the site team who were able to inspect and make the site safe for all of our students to return. As you know, today was originally our staff professional learning day, but it made sense to postpone this to ensure we could get our students back on site.

We will be rescheduling this date shortly, as this day was designed specifically to work with staff to undertake some important work this term on our upcoming IB evaluation in a few months' time. I will confirm the new date early next week once a few things are finalized.

I had hoped to be sharing news on how well our Year 6 students did on the Amazing Race, but of course this was not to be – we hope to be able to reschedule that soon as well.

Thank you again for your understanding and flexibility during this challenging time. We're grateful to have our school community back together safely.

Warm regards,

Mr MacGregor
Principal

Library News



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We hope this message finds you and your families safe and dry during this typhoon week. Although we experienced some turbulent weather, it did little to dampen our celebrations and the wonderful news we have to share with our KJS community.

This edition of our library newsletter is brimming with inspiration! We are delighted to celebrate the incredible writing achievements of our students in the SCMP Posties, recap an inspiring visit from journalism experts, and share exciting news about Book Week 2025 and our new KJS Resource Hub. It's a testament to the vibrant creativity and intellectual curiosity thriving at our school.

We hope you enjoy reading about all the fantastic happenings in and around our library.

Celebrating Our Young Authors: KJS Stars Shine in SCMP Posties!

We are bursting with pride to announce that three of our very own KJS students have been featured in the South China Morning Post's *Posties* publication! **Issue #673, released on September 22**, showcases the wonderful writing and creativity of our students, and we couldn't be happier to celebrate their success.

Let's meet our celebrated authors:

1. Brie Moorhouse (4BM) – Featured in "Your Say"



Brie shared an exciting recount of her family's first trip to Melbourne to see an Australian Rules Football game. When asked how she felt upon hearing her article was selected, Brie was "really excited." This was a special milestone, as she proudly published her first article many years before her dad, who published his first piece when he was about 30!

Her enthusiasm was immediate. Brie wrote the article as soon as she heard about *Posties*, coming home that afternoon, keen to start writing straight away. While this is her first published piece, she already has plans to write more.

Brie's advice for aspiring writers is excellent:

- Brainstorm ideas: Think about different topics and experiences that would interest other children.
- Cowrite with parents: "Writing together with your parents can make the process easier and give you quality time together."

2. Anaisha Bordia (3AN) – Winner of "Best Caption from Last Week"



Anaisha impressed the editors with her witty caption for a photo, earning her the title of "Best caption from last week." She discovered her win in the most exciting way, during her bus ride home after collecting her copy of *Posties* from her class teacher, Ms. Nichols! She described the feeling as a mix of nerves and exhilaration.

For her peers who want to try caption writing, Anaisha offers this simple but powerful tip: "Start off with your idea and add good adjectives."

3. Anaya Banthia (KJS Alumni) – Book Recommendation

We are also delighted to see our KJS alumna, Anaya Banthia, featured with a thoughtful book recommendation. She highly recommends *WolfWalkers: The Graphic Novel*, giving great reasons why it's a fantastic read for young students. This was one of the Battle of the Books from 2024-2025. We can't wait to catch up with Anaya to pass on our congratulations!

A huge congratulations to Brie, Anaisha, and Anaya! Your achievements are an inspiration to all students at KJS, showing that your voices are powerful and deserve to be heard. We encourage everyone to pick up a copy of *Posties* for inspiration and perhaps submit your own work for future issues!

Keep writing, keep creating, and keep making us proud.

To read more KJS Success stories from *SCMP Posties*, [click here](#).

To submit articles to *Posties* for consideration by the editors, [click here](#).

A Morning with the Experts: Young Post Inspires Our Budding Journalists at KJS!

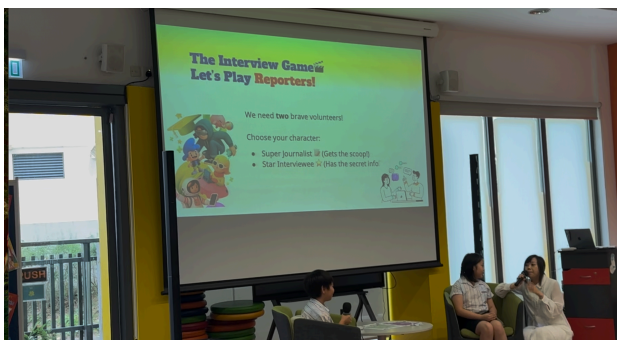


What an inspiring way to start the week! This past Monday, September 22nd, our Library was buzzing with excitement as we welcomed very special guests from the *South China Morning Post*: Ms. Emily Tsang, Editor of Young Post and Posties, and Ms. Ruchi Shah, Production Editor for Posties.

They spent the afternoon sharing their professional expertise and passion for journalism with our eager Year 5 and Year 6 students, who are all keen writers and regular contributors to Posties.

Our Year 5 session (1:15–2:00 PM) was filled with curiosity about what happens *behind the scenes* at a real newspaper. Our students were especially eager to learn how articles are selected for Posties and the process of creating engaging content. They discovered the secrets to making an article stand out, from choosing fun topics and writing catchy first lines to the importance of fact-checking.

For our Year 6 students (2:00–2:45 PM), the session was a fantastic opportunity to hone a key journalistic skill: interviewing. As our senior students in their final year of primary school, they are highly motivated to gather information powerfully and respectfully. They learned valuable tips on being "Super Listeners," asking follow-up questions, and making their interviewees feel comfortable. A highlight was "The Interview Game," where brave volunteers stepped into the roles of a journalist hunting for a scoop and a star interviewee with secret info!



To help our students reflect and apply their new knowledge, they used specially prepared slides after the session. This will undoubtedly strengthen their future submissions to Posties.

A huge thank you to Ms. Emily and Ms. Ruchi for their engaging and insightful presentations. The KJS community is so grateful for your time and for inspiring the next generation of writers and reporters!

Do you have more questions?



Students who have further questions for Ms. Emily or Ms. Ruchi about SCMP Posties, writing, or being a journalist are encouraged to share them on our dedicated Padlet. Please remember to include your name and class!

[Padlet link](#)

Let's keep the writing spirit alive! We can't wait to see the wonderful articles and stories our students will create next.

SCMP Posties Newspaper Programme



This will be the last week for families who missed the initial sign-up to subscribe to Posties. We are opening a second subscription round! **Printed copies will be delivered after the October break (Oct 20th onwards).** To subscribe, please complete the Google Form by **Monday, October 3rd**, using the link below:

[Subscribe to Posties Round 2](#)

Book Week November 3-7th, 2025



We are thrilled to announce the theme for our much-anticipated Book Week 2025: **"One Book, One World."**

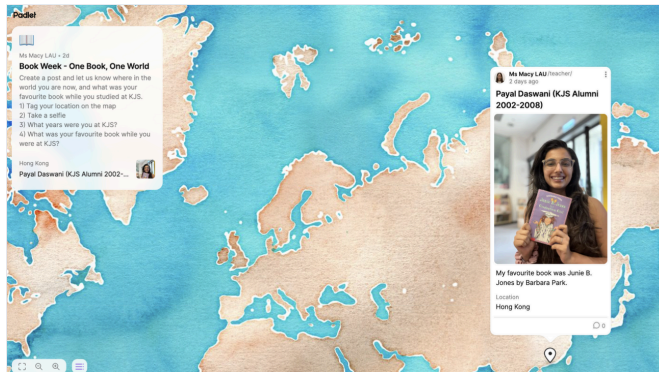
Mark your calendars! This celebration of reading and our global community will take place from **Monday, November 3rd, to Friday, November 7th, 2025.**

This year, we are embracing the power of stories to connect us across cultures, languages, and continents. As a school with **over 123 years** of history in Hong Kong, our KJS family truly spans the globe, and we can't wait to explore this world of stories together.

We are planning a week of exciting and immersive activities, including:

- Our popular Book Fair on the 4th Floor, open to students and families from **Tuesday, November 4th, to Thursday, November 6th.**
- The spectacular "Book Character" Dress-Up Parade on **Friday, November 7th.**
- Special guest readers from our community.
- Engaging activities in the library that journey around the world.
- A focus on home languages and global literature.

We are looking for KJS Alumni!



This year's theme, **"One Book, One World,"** perfectly captures our global KJS community, spanning 123 years of history.

We invite every alumnus, no matter when you attended or where you are now, to join the celebration. Please help us showcase our dynamic story by connecting to our Padlet board. Here's how you can participate:

1. Tag your current location on the map.
2. Share a selfie.
3. Tell us what years you were at KJS.
4. Reveal your favourite book from your KJS days!

Join the Padlet here:

<https://kowloonjuniorschool.padlet.org/laum221/book-week-one-book-one-world-vjcwtzb9rvj33z2i>

Please also visit our alumni page and register your details so we can stay connected for future events. We can't wait to see our worldwide community come together through a shared love of stories.

Alumni Page: <https://sites.google.com/kjs.hk/kjs-virtual-library/kjs-history-and-alumni>

Register Here: <https://forms.gle/zW5ARmAJYUgp5Km97>

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KJS Resource Hub



We're excited to share that the Library Team has launched the KJS Resource Hub—a central website where your child can easily access all the amazing paid online resources our school subscribes to. This hub replaces the Splat page we previously used.

You can find the KJS Resource Hub on your child's Toddle account. We encourage you to take a moment to explore it together with your child.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us at library@kjs.edu.hk.

Staff Book Recommendation of the Week



This week's recommendation comes from **Ms. Shen, Chinese Teacher**

Book: 帶小黑回家 : Bringing Blackie Home by Auntie Van Van

Ms. Shen says: 大家好！我是沈老师。我推荐这本“带小黑回家”是希望引起大家对流浪猫狗的关注和爱心。希望大家看到流浪猫狗时，能够伸出援手，并且支持领养代替购买宠物。在养宠物前，要先确认自己是否可以养它一辈子、爱它一辈子到终老才养哦！😊🙏💕

Hello everyone! I'm Ms. Shen. I recommend this book, "Bringing Blackie Home," to raise awareness and awareness of stray cats and dogs. I hope everyone will lend a helping hand when they see one, and support adoption instead of buying. Before getting a pet, make sure you can care for it and love it for the rest of its life! 😊🙏💕

If you have any questions on the above, please feel free to contact our library team at library@kjs.edu.hk.

Kind regards,

The KJS Library Team

Please note: Kowloon Junior School, English Schools Foundation and its affiliates shall take no responsibility for any activities, events, and services that are organised by other organisations or individuals and are mentioned above.

News from the PTA



Dear Parents,

What a week! Thankfully, the city was spared the worst of Typhoon Ragasa and we hope all of our community were safe, and in spite of the weather related trials and challenges, the staff managed to get the children back in school today!

When we return from our half term break, we will be ready to celebrate Diwali!

Dress Colourful (Diwali) Friday 17 October (Non uniform day)



Diwali, the Indian Festival of Light, will be celebrated here at KJS with diya (lamp) decorating, interactive Bollywood dances, making fireworks and rangoli pattern cards, all of which are being organised and supported by the PTA and parent volunteers. These will take place here during snack and lunch play.

Children may come to school on that day wearing colourful or traditional clothes, they do not have to wear uniforms. A voluntary donation of \$20 can be sent in with your child and will be collected by the class teams. The donations received will be for PTA in general and will be donated to the school for future school projects after being approved by the PTA Committee.

And then we quickly move onto our next event, the **Spooky Boogie Ball Thursday 30 October**



Come along and enjoy the Haunted House, face painting, games, snacks and popcorn, Monster's Eyeball Punch, a disco and costume parades. We are giving everyone lots of time to get their costumes ready for the competition, and the theme will be costumes that are home made, sustainable and easily recycled.

Judges will decide on small prize winners from all classes and there will be a bigger prize for the best costume in each year group.

Tickets will go on sale on Friday 3 October, so look out for them. We need volunteers as always, so please take one minute of your time to offer your support by filling out this [Google Form](#). The more volunteers we have, the more guests can be accommodated.

The sun is shining and we hope you all enjoy the weekend.
The KJS PTA Team.

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ESF Explore

SPORTS LANGUAGE PLAYGROUP ARTS WORKSHOP

AUTUMN CAMP

6 – 10 October 2025

Scan for more details:

Multi-Sports

3 – 8 Years

Swimming

3+ Years

Tag Rugby

5 – 8 Years

The Magic Lantern Workshop

6 – 8 / 9 – 11 Years

Playgroup (Accompanied)

13 Months – 2.5 Years

Speak Your Truth

12 – 15 Years

Gymnastics

5 – 10 Years

Pickleball

5 – 8 Years

Tennis

4 – 12 Years

Drama Stars

Theme: Wicked

4 – 6 Years

Drama Loop

Theme: Wicked

6 – 8 Years

Devising Drama

8 – 11 Years

Promo Code: **ESFAPP10**

Discover our exciting Autumn Camps from October 6 to 10! Our themed holiday classes are designed to inspire and engage, offering the perfect balance of fun and learning for your child. Whether they seek adventure or calm enrichment, choose from one-off workshops or full-week options that suit your schedule. All sessions are delivered in English by experienced, qualified coaches and teachers. Explore each category to find the perfect fit for your child's age and interests. Enrol today and make the most of the October break!

Don't forget to use promo code **ESFAPP10** at checkout to enjoy a 10% discount.

Check out our Autumn Camp listings for the Kowloon district [HERE](#).