

Week of 3 October 2025

Dates for Your Diary

6-13 October	Mid Term Break
14 October	KJS CPD Day
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.

I hope this newsletter finds you well as we wrap up another wonderful week at our school.

First, I want to extend my thanks to all the families who attended our "Who We Are" Conference this Tuesday. The feedback we've received so far has been really positive, it was wonderful to see so many parents actively engaging with their children's learning journey.

To help us continue improving these important events, we sent out a brief survey earlier today to gather your thoughts and feedback on the conference. We value your input and look forward to hearing your perspectives.

This morning brought excitement to all areas of KJS as our Year 6 students participated in the Amazing Race! It was fantastic to watch the children work collaboratively in their teams, demonstrating their communication and listening skills throughout the activities. A special thank you goes out to our PE team for organizing this engaging event, along with the support from our specialist Music and Drama teachers and the Year 6 staff.

As we approach the mid-term break, I want to wish everyone a very happy Mid-Autumn Festival next week. May this special time bring joy, togetherness, and wonderful memories with your families.

Please enjoy the well-deserved mid-term break, and we look forward to welcoming all KJS students back on Wednesday, October 15th.

Mr MacGregor
Principal

78th Hong Kong Schools Music Festival (2026)

If you wish your child to participate in the Music Festival, please submit the application form on the HKSMSA website AND pay the enrolment fee via ESF Hub before the below deadline.

		DEADLINE
Step 1	Submit the Enrollment Form on HKSMSA	Wednesday, 22nd October at 23:00
Step 2	Settle the Enrollment Fee on the Payment System via ESF Hub	Saturday, 25th October at 23:00

Please be reminded that the enrollment will only be successful if parents complete the TWO steps before the deadline. Please find the details in the News Feed on ESF Hub.

Library News



To our wonderful Parents and Caregivers,

What a vibrant and energising week it has been in the KJS Library! It was an absolute delight to welcome so many of you and your children to the Library on Tuesday during the "Who We Are" conferences. Seeing our library buzzing with families exploring books together was a true highlight and a wonderful reminder of the strong, reading-focused community we are building.

As we look ahead, we are thrilled to share some exciting news and resources with you. This newsletter is packed with information about our upcoming Book Week, a special call for KJS alumni, a helpful guide to our digital Resource Hub, and our widely popular staff book recommendation.

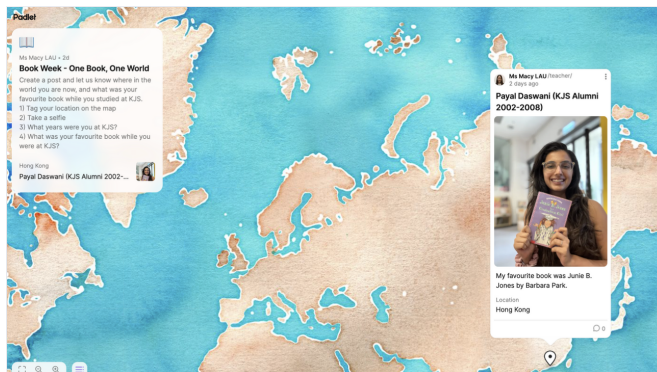
Book Week November 3-7th, 2025



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.**

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.

For details on the Book Week and our alumni initiative, please refer to our previous [newsletters](#).

KJS Resource Hub



It was so lovely to connect with many of you recently at the *Who We Are* meetings on Tuesday! We noticed you had some excellent questions about navigating our digital library resources, from finding the **KJS Resource Hub** on Toddle to checking borrowed books.

To make things easier, we've created a simple, step-by-step slideshow to help you access the KJS Resource Hub on Toddle and explore the wonderful tools available to your child.

You can find the guide here:

https://www.canva.com/design/DAG0gcYAVrg/VMY_T58yk9f7J4uTCJc-qA/view

This guide will show you how to access KJS Resource Hub via smartphone and desktop. KJS Resource hub will house our KJS paid subscriptions with links and login instructions. Please explore and take advantage of:

- Orbit, our library catalogue system, to see your child's borrowed books/home readers.
- Discovering our databases (like encyclopedias and research tools).
- Exploring and borrowing from our eBook collections.

We hope you find this reference helpful! To answer your questions in more depth, we are planning a Parent Workshop later this term where we can walk through everything together. We will share more details soon. Happy exploring!

Staff Book Recommendation of the Week



This week's recommendation comes from **Ms. Howells of 4JH**.

Book: *James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl

Ms. Howells says: *"I have always loved Roald Dahl stories as it reminds me of my childhood when I read his stories for the first time. "James and the Giant Peach" fosters imagination and creativity through its strange and magical story. It explores friendship and belonging as James forms friendships with anthropomorphic insects, teaching resilience and the importance of overcoming adversity. The humour in the word choice and characters makes it entertaining and fun to read. Although there are small illustrations, the real magic lies in using your imagination to visualize the characters during their big adventure."*

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

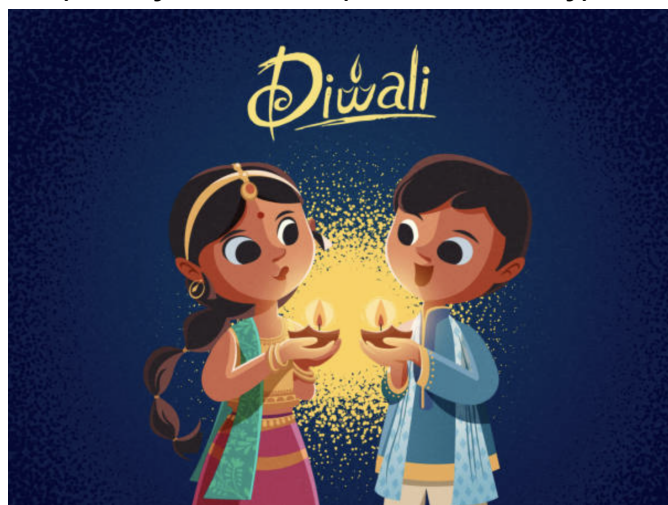


Dear Parents,

It's time for the mid term break and we hope everyone is ready with lots of family plans.

As a reminder for upcoming events:

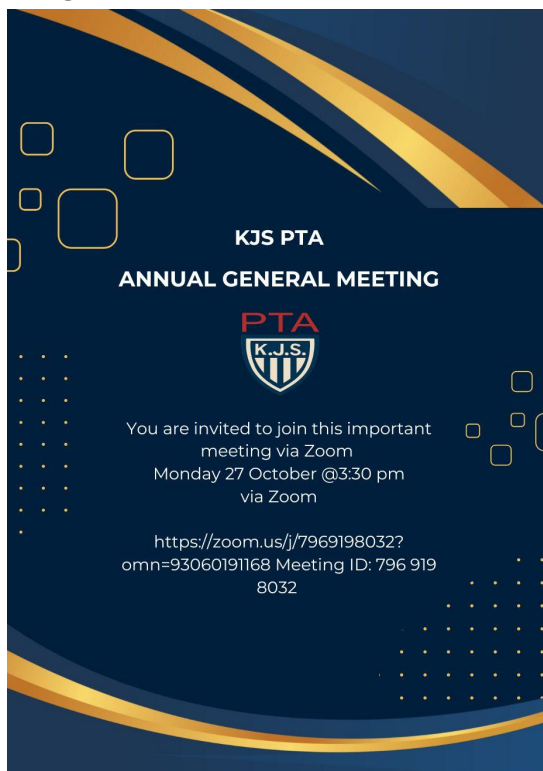
Dress Colourful (Diwali) Friday 17 October (Non uniform day)



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.

PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM)- 27 October 3:30 pm



KOWLOON JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) 2025

Dear Parents and Teachers,

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Kowloon Junior School Parent Teacher Association Limited will be held on:

Monday 27 Oct. 2025 at 3:30 pm online via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/7969198032?omn=93060191168>

Meeting ID: 796 919 8032

Agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 6 November 2024
2. Chair's Report
3. Principal's Report
4. Presentation of the PTA Accounts and Auditors Report for 2024-2025
5. Appointment of auditors for 2025-2026 financial year
6. Proposed Budget for 2025-2026
7. Election of Committee members for 2025-2026 academic year

To view the Minutes of the 2024 AGM, click [HERE](#). If you have any questions regarding any matter related to the above, please email pta@kjs.edu.hk.

As members of the PTA, all parents and teachers are invited to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting. Please register your attendance in advance [HERE](#)

To submit a nomination for the PTA Committee please complete the Nomination Form [HERE](#) and email the scan or photocopy with your signature to the PTA email (pta@kjs.edu.hk) or Whatsapp number (62114154) no later than 1:00 p.m. on Monday 20 October 2025.

There will be an information session held on Wednesday 15 Oct. 2025 to share information on the roles and responsibilities of the Executive Committee. It will be held in the PYP Room (1/Floor) at KJS from 8:45 am - 10:00 am and is open to all parents to attend but is mandatory for those who wish to join the PTA Executive Committee.

The PTA Executive Committee works on all PTA related events and attends regular meetings. To register your attendance for this information session, please click [here](#).

If you would like an item to be included on the Agenda, please email the PTA (pta@kjs.edu.hk) no later than 1:00 pm on Monday 20 October 2025.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the AGM.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMITTEE

Jennifer Hung
Chair
Kowloon Junior School PTA Ltd
3 October 2024

Gavin MacGregor
Principal
Kowloon Junior School

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 after the mid term break (apologies for the delay), 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.

We wish everyone a very Happy Mid Autumn Festival and mid term holidays!
The KJS PTA Team.

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ESF Explore

A promotional poster for ESF Explore's Autumn Camp 2025. The poster features a warm, autumnal background with a grid of 12 circular icons, each representing a different activity and its target age group. At the top, the ESF Explore logo is on the left, and the text 'SPORTS LANGUAGE PLAYGROUP ARTS WORKSHOP' is in the center. Below this, 'AUTUMN CAMP' is written in large, bold letters, followed by the dates '6 – 10 October 2025'. A QR code is located in the top right corner with the text 'Scan for more details:'. At the bottom, a brown banner displays the promo code 'ESFAPP10' next to a circular logo. The entire poster is framed by a decorative border of autumn leaves at the bottom.

ESF Explore 英基探索

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 4 – 6 Years

Drama Loop 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](#).