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IMPORTANT DATES

- ★ Book Week
 3-7 November
- School Photo Week
 10 14 November
- CPD Day
 21 November
- Election Holiday
 8 December
- Last Day of Term 1 (school ends at 12nn)

12 December

Reminder: Box of Hope Collection Drive Ends on 4 Nov

We have had the most amazing response so far and it's not too late to contribute to this wonderful cause. Our target was 500 boxes and we know with your support we can do it!

Things to include:

- toothbrush, toothpaste, and soap.
- fun items, such as toys, games, books, stationery etc.

No food is allowed, and everything should be brand new.
Remember to wrap your box and lid separately so it can be checked by Box of Hope before being delivered to a child.

Please click <u>here</u> for more information.

The KJS Student Council

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear KJS families.

I hope everyone enjoyed the public holiday on Wednesday and had a wonderful opportunity to spend quality time together.

What an absolutely fantastic evening we had at our Spooky Boogie Ball last night! It was wonderful to see so many families come together, dancing, laughing, and enjoying the spooky fun. It truly showcased the strong sense of community we have here at KJS. Thank you to everyone who attended and of

course the PTA for organising.

Our students received their flu vaccinations today, and I must say how incredibly brave they all were! It's always impressive to see how our young learners handle these situations with such maturity and courage.

In sports news, our netball teams will be competing in the Kowloon Schools Netball Competition next week. We wish our players the very best of luck and know they will represent KJS with pride and sportsmanship.

Over the coming weeks, Year 1 and Year 4 will be holding their learning exhibitions, showcasing the fantastic work our students have been engaged in. These events provide another wonderful opportunity for us to celebrate the amazing learning taking place in our classrooms. If you haven't already heard from them, year group leaders will be in touch with details about these exciting showcases.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend!

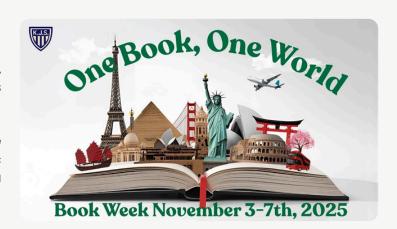
Mr MacGregor Principal

LIBRARY NEWS

Dear KJS Families,

Book week is here!!!! From **November 3rd to 7th, 2025**, we have a whole week to celebrate our love of books with the whole school community.

Under the theme "One Book, One World," we'll come together as a global community to explore the magic of books and the connections they create. Here's a sneak peek at what's in store:



Highlights of Book Week

- "Who's Behind the Book?" A beloved KJS tradition! Staff will hide behind their favorite books, and students will have fun guessing who they are.
- **Mystery Reader Sessions** Students can join daily at lunchtime in the library for surprise read-alouds by special staff members.
- KJS Book Fair The 4th floor will be transformed into a vibrant bookstore! Families are welcome to visit between 8:00–8:30 AM and 3:00–4:00 PM. Teachers will also schedule class visits for students to explore and borrow books. Teachers will let you know your allocated times. Don't forget to show your ESF Hub to confirm you're part of our KJS family! We suggest students to bring no more than \$300 (cash). Families can pay Cash, Credit Card, PayMe, AliHKpay and WeChatpay.
- Community Book Swap Bring a book, take a book! If you have any personal English books looking for a new home, please contribute books in good condition (no torn or damaged books, thank you!). There will be a box outside the library for the Book Swap. See here for details.
- Home Language Readers We're celebrating mother tongue languages with special reading sessions by
 parent volunteers. If you are interested, you must first sign up as a Parent Volunteer through the school's
 Google Form. We will be organizing Home Language readers to read during November 10th onwards. Thank
 you for your support!
- **Dress Up Day** On **Friday, November 7th**, students and staff are invited to dress up as their favorite book characters (optional but encouraged!).

* Special Collaboration

We're excited to welcome and host some KGV students who will be joining us during their Challenge Week to share in the joy of reading and community spirit.

듣 Let's Celebrate Together

This week is all about fostering a love of reading, strengthening our community, and creating unforgettable memories. We can't wait to see our KJS family come together through the power of stories.

Here is a <u>Canva slideshow</u> of the above. If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>macy.lau@kjs.edu.hk</u>.

Let's make this Book Week the most inspiring one yet!



Staff Book Recommendation of the Week

This week's recommendation comes from Mrs. Gupta from 4AG

Book: Fail-a-bration by Brad Montague and Kristi Montague

Mrs. Gupta says: As a teacher, I love "Fail-a-bration" because it teaches students that making mistakes is a normal part of learning. It shows them that failures can lead to growth and new ideas. We do a drum roll every time anyone makes a mistake. The fun and positive approach helps create a safe space for students to try new things without fear. Overall, it encourages a growth mindset, which is essential for success.

Celebrating Our Young Authors! SCMP Posties Success Stories



Ayra's Perseverance Pays Off! 🐆

A story of true dedication and a never-give-up attitude! We are overjoyed to celebrate Ayra Soni (5LB), who has been a dedicated writer for Posties since Year 4. After writing an incredible 16 articles, her perseverance has finally paid off with her first publication!

Ayra never gave up hope of getting in. After listening to SCMP's talk by editors Ms. Emily and Ms. Ruchi on September 22nd, she was inspired and realized the key elements of a successful writer. She put this new knowledge into practice, writing a brilliant book recommendation for Varjak Paw by S.F. Said in August. Her hard work and positive attitude have led to this wonderful success, and she has continued writing more articles since!





Ayra Soni (5LB)

To read more KJS Success stories from SCMP Posties, click here.

To submit articles to Posties for consideration by the editors, click here.



PTA NEWS

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Dear Parents,

It's been a busy week for the PTA and school community.

Annual General Meeting of the PTA was held on Monday 27 Oct. 2025, an important part of the compliance of the PTA.

The old Committee stepped down and the PTA would like to sincerely thank Ms. Macy Lau and Mr. Varshit Jain for their time and dedication to the PTA Executive Committee over the last 6 and 2 years respectively.

The new Committee was duly elected for 2025–26 as follows:

Jennifer Hung	Chair
Mahira Daswani	Vice Chair
Lawrence Lim	Vice Chair
Mandy Au	Hon. Treasurer
Jennifer Wu	Hon. Secretary
Kareena Chandiramani	Parent Rep. Head of Communications
Kaylie Wong	Parent Rep. Head of Events
Clarins Yip	Parent Rep. Head of Procurement
Mio Sonobe	Parent Rep. Year 1 and new families Transition coordinator
Kathy Chan	Parent Rep.
Urvi Kamdar	Parent RepCommunity Service
Gavin MacGregor	Principal Ex Officio
Dawn Doucette	Vice Principal
Greta Holmes	Year 2 Lead
Gillian Hadley	PE Team- Sustainability Lead
Kayleigh Adams	Year 1 Lead

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Thursday 30 Oct 2025 Spooky Boogie Ball

A great success with over 900 attendees, well supported by staff and some dedicated parent and Y6 student volunteers. Disco, dance competitions, Haunted Maze, slime, body art, fruit decorating and favourite foods, a perfect party!



Enjoy the lovely weather and the weekend!











