



# KJS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## ATHLETICS DAYS 2025

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

**Y3 on Wednesday 10th December from 9:30am to 11:30am**

**Y4 on Wednesday 10th December from 12pm to 2pm**

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

**Y6 on Thursday 11th December from 12pm to 2pm**

- All children should come to school as usual and walk together from school to the Perth Street Sports Ground with their teachers.
- Children should wear their P.E. kit and school hat.
- Children should bring a named water bottle and an easy to eat snack.
- All parents are invited to come along to the sports ground

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear KJS Families,

I hope this message finds you well during what has been a challenging time for our Hong Kong community.

Like many of you, I have been deeply saddened by the tragic incident in Tai Po that has affected so many families across Hong Kong. Our thoughts and prayers are with all those impacted by this devastating event. As a school community, we recognize that such incidents touch the hearts of everyone in Hong Kong, and we stand together in support of those who are grieving.

Thank you for your understanding and support regarding our last minute decision to postpone the Winter Fair. KJS is truly a fantastic community, and your support for this difficult decision has been welcomed.

With the ever-changing news related to these tragic events, it simply didn't feel appropriate to celebrate while so many Hong Kong families are going through such terrible times.

Despite these sad circumstances, we are looking forward to some positive things ahead. Next week, our Year 6 students will be attending their camp, and I am excited to join them for this special experience. The weather forecast looks great, and I am confident they will have a wonderful time together.

Thank you once again for being such a supportive and understanding community.

Mr MacGregor  
Principal

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- \* **Y6 CAMP**  
2-5 December
- \* **Election Holiday**  
8 December
- \* **Y1 & Y2 Athletics Day**  
9 December
- \* **Y3& Y4 Athletics Day**  
10 December
- \* **Y5& Y6 Athletics Day**  
11 December
- \* **Last Day of Term 1 (school ends at 12nn)**  
12 December
- \* **First Day of Term 2**  
5 January



## LIBRARY NEWS

Dear KJS Families,

What a thrilling time for our school's reading community! Our library is alive with celebration, and we are so proud to share this wave of wonderful news with you. From a prestigious award nomination that honours our collective efforts to the brilliant accomplishments of our student writers and an inspiring upcoming author visit, it's clear that a love of stories is flourishing at KJS. These achievements truly highlight the vibrant culture of literacy we are building together. Please read on to share in the excitement!

### **Year 4-6 Author Visit with A. Y. Chan – Battle of the Books 2026 author on Monday, December 1st**

We're continuing our Book Week celebrations with our first Author Visit of the year! We've invited A.Y. Chan, the author behind this year's Battle of the Books Hong Kong selection, to meet with our Year 4 to 6 students.



A.Y. Chan is a Toronto-based writer and Taekwondo black belt. Her debut middle-grade novel, *The Legendary Mo Seto*, was published in 2024. It's a martial arts mystery about a 12-year-old aspiring Taekwondo champion named Mo, who auditions for a movie to overcome a losing streak—only to uncover a family secret and

hidden martial arts techniques. Chan's own martial arts background and love for the genre inspired this heartfelt story, written especially for children who have faced self-doubt.

A huge thank you to everyone who ordered a book by A.Y. Chan! We're thrilled by the overwhelming response.

For those who have already ordered, mark your calendars: your signed copies will be delivered on Author Visit Day, Monday, December 1st.

Did you miss the first round? Good news! We've opened a final order period! Secure your signed copy by the new deadline of Friday, December 13th for delivery in January.

✨ Click here to place your order: <https://forms.gle/koZqIg2WBKc6m7HZ7>

*Please note: This form is managed by Fun to Read, and all communication and inquiries should be directed to them, not the KJS Library Team.*

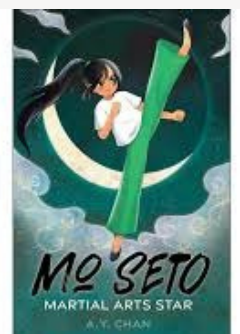
### **📖 A Passion for Reading Pays Off (Again!) in SCMP Posties, Issue #682!**

We are delighted to shine a spotlight on one of our dedicated young writers! This week, we are celebrating Emily Xu (5DM), who is featured in SCMP Posties, Issue #682. This is a particularly impressive achievement as it marks the second time Emily's writing has been selected for publication!



The news arrived yesterday when her classmate, Aidan S (5DM), shared the exciting discovery. Fittingly, their class was in the midst of exploring previous Posties issues as part of their current unit of study. Emily was overjoyed and incredibly proud to learn that her hard work had paid off once again.

She shared that getting into Posties for a second time is not only fun but comes with a delightful perk: the chance to playfully tease her twin brother, Harry, about it. Emily says she finds it easy to recommend books in Posties because of her genuine love for reading, and she hopes others will enjoy her book picks as much as she does.



For other students hoping to see their work in print, Emily has some heartfelt advice: "I suggest others write things they like, like me."

A massive congratulations to Emily on this wonderful repeat success! We are so proud of your accomplishment and look forward to your next recommendation.

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

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

### Staff Book Recommendation of the Week



This week's recommendation comes from **Ms. You** from the Chinese Team

Book: You Are Nice 你真好 by Toshihiro Komiyama

Ms. You says: You Are Nice is a very simple story. It shows how a little kindness can make a big difference in everyone's life.

### Exciting News! KJS Shortlisted for Prestigious GBA School Library Award

We are thrilled to announce that Kowloon Junior School has been named a finalist in the prestigious Greater Bay Area School Awards!

Our very own KJS Library has been shortlisted in the School Library Award category, which recognises outstanding school libraries that foster a love for reading and learning.

This is a fantastic achievement and a wonderful recognition of our vibrant and dynamic library space. It celebrates the incredible work of our dedicated library team and our wonderful student Library Monitors, whose enthusiasm and commitment help make our library the heart of the school.

Here is our [video submission](#). Special thanks to Bitz, Elle, Valerie, Madison, and Megan who put this together! We appreciate your help.

Whether we take home the top prize or not, we are immensely proud of this acknowledgement. It highlights the successful efforts of our whole community in nurturing a true love for reading and learning in our students.

Let's celebrate this brilliant achievement!





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Dear Parents,

With this week's tragic events still unfolding, our thoughts and sympathy go out to all those victims of the Tai Po fire, those who are under medical care and those who have lost their homes and belongings. Please see email from the school for support. The PTA and KJS Community will work to support the city in its efforts to help all those affected.

The KJS PTA is organizing a donation relief drive with collection points outside the PTA Office for needed items, as well as a cash donation box, all of which will be sent to a HKSAR government recognized charity at an appropriate time. Please be aware of perishable items.

A Google form will be set out shortly arranged by parents of the school to get a volunteer database started for trips to Tai Po community to lend a hand. If you would like to lead any efforts, please reach out and we will try to connect you to others in the community.

## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES WITH KJS REGISTERED TUTORS

Interested parents please contact the organisers directly for sign-up.

### Clay Club

### KJS Clay Club 2026 - Term 2



**Learning Focus:**

- Imaginative Thinking
- Multisensory Development
- Creative confidence
- Problem-solving skills
- Spatial & emotional intelligences
- Concentration & communication skills

**Monday Classes**

**Date:** 12 Jan - 16 Mar  
(No class on 16 & 23 Feb)

**Time:** 3 - 4.30 pm

**Venue:** Art Room

**Fee:** \$3,040 for 8 classes  
(including materials and firing fee)

**Sign up before 5 January!**

Please register via email  
[twigapottery@gmail.com](mailto:twigapottery@gmail.com)

For more information, contact  
Ms. Cassie Chan at 63493261

All claywork will be glazed, fired and delivered to school for pick up at the end of Term 2.

Disclaimer: This activity is held by Twiga Pottery and is not part of KJS curriculum.

### Chess Club



## Kowloon Junior School

### AfterSchool Program

2025 - 26 Term 2



**LEARN FROM THE BEST!!**

**#1 Chess Program in Hong Kong**

Led by Grand Masters together with a team of Expert FIDE coaches, we are the most COMPREHENSIVE International Chess Program in Hong Kong. Children will learn from the BEST at The Chess Academy. Our goal is to help children enjoy a good game of chess and to develop their character through chess playing. By playing chess, children will also improve on skills such as:

- Sportsmanship
- Confidence
- Strategic Thinking

- Attention Span
- Spatial Reasoning
- Patience & more...

**Term 1 Chess Class Every Week**

| Every Tuesday<br>3:00 - 4:00pm, D&T Room   | Every Wednesday<br>3:00 - 4:00pm, D&T Room   |
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| Jan 6, 13, 20, 27<br>Feb 3, 10, 24<br>Mar 3, 10, 17<br>Course fee: \$2,800 for 10 sessions | Jan 7, 14, 21, 28<br>Feb 4, 11, 25<br>Mar 4, 11, 18<br>Course fee: \$2,800 for 10 sessions |

For more details, please contact us at 34804199/ 91787376 or [admin@activekidshk.com](mailto:admin@activekidshk.com)



Scan to enroll online!



## Baking Class

# KJS Baking Class

## Term 2 JANUARY - MARCH

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| <b>1</b><br>MINI COOKIE CEREAL<br> | <b>2</b><br>CHINESE HOT DOG<br>  | <b>3</b><br>RASPBERRY MUFFIN<br>     | <b>4</b><br>APPLE ROSE PASTRY<br> | <b>5</b><br>MILANO COOKIE<br> |
| <b>6</b><br>BUTTER CROISSANT<br>  | <b>7</b><br>CHICKEN FRITTER<br> | <b>8</b><br>CHEESE TOMATO BREAD<br> | <b>9</b><br>VANILLA CUPCAKE<br>  |                              |

Junior bakers (5 -11 yr) learn to bake and decorate delicious desserts and savoury goodies. Christmas Special Offer and sibling discount.  
For more information, please contact Ms. Hong:  
[flourhk@hotmail.com](mailto:flourhk@hotmail.com) or [www.facebook.com/flourhk](http://www.facebook.com/flourhk)

**TERM 2: JANUARY 15 - MARCH 20**

**TIME: 3:00PM - 4:30PM**

**THURSDAY: 9 LESSONS - \$3,690 (\$3,505)**

**FRIDAY: 8 LESSONS - \$3,280 (\$3,115)**

**VENUE: KJS DT ROOM**





## 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](mailto:flourhk@hotmail.com)

 [www.facebook.com/flourhk](http://www.facebook.com/flourhk)

## ESF Explore Winter Camp

### Elevate Your Winter Break with ESF Explore

Transform your school break into a skill-building powerhouse with ESF Explore Winter Camp 2025. Designed for all ages and levels, our expert-led programmes elevate skills through immersive English communication, pro-level coaching in eight sports like basketball, football, and swimming, plus engaging STEM, arts, and drama activities. Boost confidence, creativity, and teamwork this winter where growth meets fun. Enrol now!

Enjoy 10% off with promo code ESFAPPI0. Exclusive to ESF students.

Primary Camps (Kowloon district) [HERE](#) | View All Ages & Camps [HERE](#)





**OPEN TO ALL**



**WINTER CAMP**