



# 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

- Parents should meet directly at the venue.
- Children should come to school wearing their P.E. kit and school hat. ***\*while we realise it is cooler earlier in the mornings it heats up quickly. Please ensure your child is dressed in PE kit suitable for hot weather.***
- Water bottles (named) and an easy to eat snack should be brought as usual.
- Arrangements for an early lunch have been made for Y4 and Y6 students.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear KJS Families,

What an incredible week it has been! I had the privilege of attending Year 6 camp for most of the week, and I can honestly say the children were absolutely amazing. They threw themselves into every activity with enthusiasm and courage, tackling challenges like gorge trekking, kayaking, and high ropes courses, as well as various team games. It was great to witness their bravery and resilience throughout the week. It is clear they all had a fabulous time creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Back at school, our Year 1 students held their exhibition on Wednesday, which I'm told was a tremendous success. The feedback from parents has been overwhelmingly positive, and it's clear those students (and teachers) have been working incredibly hard.

Looking ahead, next week brings our annual sports days, which promise to be exciting events for our whole school community. Please don't forget that the school will be closed on Monday following the elections on Sunday. We then look forward to our final week of term before we break for the winter holidays.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mr MacGregor  
Principal

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- \* **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,

In recent days, our community's thoughts have been with those affected by the fires in Taipo. During challenging times, we often find solace and connection in the stories we share. Our school library remains a quiet space for reflection, learning, and togetherness.

This newsletter celebrates the creative and literary spirit of our students, which continues to shine brightly. We are proud to share their accomplishments and some uplifting opportunities, from published authors to a friendly reading challenge.

We hope this update brings a moment of positivity to your week.

### Calling All Year 5 & 6 Book Lovers! 🏆 Join the Battle of the Books!

Do you love getting lost in a great story? Do you have a competitive spirit and a fantastic memory for details? If so, we want YOU for KJS's Battle of the Books team!



**What is Battle of the Books (BoB)?** Read [here](#).

#### Why should you join?

- Read Amazing Books: Discover new genres and authors from a specially curated list.
- Be Part of a Team: Work together with fellow book enthusiasts towards a common goal.
- Represent KJS: Compete with pride for our school in a major Hong Kong event.
- Have Fun! Enjoy the thrill of competition and celebrate your love of reading.

If you are interested, **apply [here](#). Deadline Friday, December 12th, 2025**

### Author Visit – A.Y. Chan's book order – 2nd round



Year 4 to 6 had the opportunity to meet the amazing author visit with best selling author, A.Y. Chan this past Monday, December 1st.

If families missed the first chance to order a book, there's some great news! We've opened up one final order period!

Book #1 (The Legendary Mo Seto) is still available.  
Book #2 (The Legendary Mo Seto Martial Arts Star) now has limited copies on a first-come, first-served basis. If it sells out, another shipment may be available in January.



🌟 Deadline for orders is Sunday, December 7th. Click [here](#) to place your order.

Here are the [Book Trailers](#) for Book #1 & 2.

If you have any questions during the author visit that you'd like to ask, please add your questions [here](#). Students must log in through their Google accounts.

### Book Week's Bookmark Contest Winners Announced!

Following a successful "One Book, One World" Book Week, we are thrilled to announce the winners of the bookmark making contest. The event saw tremendous participation, with 206 bookmark entries submitted and over 296 votes cast by the student community.

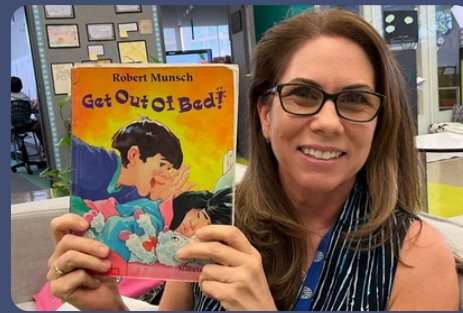
The winning bookmarks, selected by popular vote, will be professionally printed and distributed for all KJS students to use throughout the upcoming school year.

Congratulations to our winners:

- Anaira (1SQ)
- Jaden (2JA)
- Jiyu (3NG)
- Starry (4JH)
- Margaret (5DM)
- Natalie (6AC)

Thank you to everyone who entered and voted for making this contest a celebration of creativity and reading. You can view all the amazing entries on our [KJS Virtual Library](#).

### Staff Book Recommendation of the Week



**Book:**  
Get Out of Bed  
by Robert Munsch

This week's recommendation comes from **Mrs. Sheppard** from 4VS.

**Mrs. Sheppard** says: I love the book "Get Out of Bed" by Robert Munsch because it is very silly, funny and has great illustrations. The story is about a determined little girl who just can't wake up in the morning. Robert Munsch uses fun, repetitive language to encourage kids to read along. Be prepared to laugh out loud when reading this book!!

### Dynamic Duo & Galactic Creativity Shine in Posties Issue #683!

We're thrilled to celebrate not one, but three of our talented young writers featured in this week's SCMP Posties!



First up, a stellar debut from Chloe Coique (6MD), whose article scoops up some sweet facts about ice cream, including its possible origins in China! Chloe shared that she felt both excited and nervous to see her work in print. She wrote her piece a month ago during library class and humbly encourages her peers: "It's fun to write when it's about you or something you know. Give it a try."

Also in the spotlight are the terrific twin team Harry Xu (5JC) and Emily Xu (5DM), who return to Posties with their third collaborative book review! This time, they recommend Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan, a title once read by their older brother Ethan during his Battle of the Books days. Their heartfelt summary highlights themes of friendship, misunderstanding, and resilience. Harry and Emily's advice to aspiring writers? Simple and encouraging: "Keep trying."

We're so proud of Chloe, Harry, and Emily for sharing their voices, passions, and creativity with our Posties community. Whether exploring the galaxy through ice cream or diving into powerful stories, they remind us that writing about what we love is always a recipe for success.

Congratulations to all! We can't wait to read what you'll share next! 🍦📖🌟



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

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



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Dear Parents,

A heartfelt "Thank you" for your support and understanding last week during the tragic circumstances in Tai Po.

We do understand that the cancellation was at short notice and that many families were disappointed, but the support and swift response to the collection of donations was amazing. We want to thank all the vendor and parents for their understanding and

making quick arrangements to distribute the prepared food and supplies to worthy recipients. Our community yet again showed resilience in difficult times.

The Committee will look at hosting another event in the new term and will keep you posted.

All donations were packed this morning by parent volunteers and shipped to a collection centre for distribution. Thank you for their time and efforts.

Thank you to the wonderful KJS Community.



### DIY Wreaths Making Kits

Available for sale on the [KJS Website](http://www.kjs.edu.hk) for \$50 each, all proceeds will go towards the Tai Po Relief fund. Pick up will be at KJS Athletics Day. Stay tuned for more info.

## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES WITH KJS REGISTERED TUTORS

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

### Drama Club



#### Drama Club at Kowloon Junior School Year 1-4 Drama Workshops



Thursday 3pm - 4pm

Term Dates: Jan 8, 15, 22, 29  
Feb 5, 12, 26  
Mar 5, 12, 19  
Fee: \$2,600 - 10 Workshops

#### Confidence and Storytelling Skills Boost

Students will learn about the wonderful world of theatre and develop skills that will help them to express themselves creatively and confidently in front of an audience! Students will work towards an end of term Open Session performance for parents to enjoy, with costume and props! This club provides a fun-filled learning environment and an opportunity to learn about theatre and drama with the focus on self-confidence, teamwork and performance skills.

Please note, this drama club is open to students who joined Faust last season as well as newcomers – all are welcome! Each term includes new activities and scripts to enjoy.

**Year 1-4** will be working on a story inspired by popular books such as **THE RAINBOW FISH**, **THE GRUFFALO**, **WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE** and more! Our story will feature lots of fun characters and fun situations for all to enjoy.

#### How To Register

To register, please fill in the registration form <https://forms.gle/yZsguCljXGpQBkXYA> or scan the QR code.

If you have any questions, please contact Faust at [SchooIs@FaustWorld.com](mailto:SchooIs@FaustWorld.com). The registration period is from December 5<sup>th</sup> to January 8<sup>th</sup> 2026 and workshops will run each Thursday from 3:00 - 4:00pm starting from January 8<sup>th</sup>.



Scan to register

### Writing Club



Elephant  
Community  
Press

Books by Hong Kong Kids!  
[www.elephantcommunitypress.com](http://www.elephantcommunitypress.com)  
[www.facebook.com/elephantcommunitypress](https://www.facebook.com/elephantcommunitypress)

#### Write and Publish with Elephant Community Press!

ECP's Creative Writing Workshop at Kowloon Junior  
Starts from Monday, 12th January!

Students in ECP's creative writing and publishing workshops learn to plan, draft, revise and edit like real authors do. They develop their ideas, collaborate, and learn new techniques as they craft their own stories and poems to be published! The book and magazines from this term will be published before summer break.



#### Trumpet Magazine

Age: Year 3-4  
Day: Friday  
Time: 3:00-4:30pm  
Location: KJS Library  
Fee: \$500/session\*  
Publishing fee: \$220/student



#### Trading Places

Age: Year 5-6  
Day: Monday or Friday  
Time: 3:00-4:30pm  
Location: KJS Library  
Fee: \$500/session\*  
Publishing fee: \$400/student

#### Term 2 AND 3 Class Dates:

Jan 16, 23, Feb 6, 27, Mar 6, 13, 20, Apr 17, 24,  
May 8, 15, 29, June 5, 12 (14 sessions total)

Students in this creative writing and magazine publishing workshop will be key contributors to ECP's magazine, *The Trumpet*. Over the term, students will focus on 3-4 particular writing skills and write different text types, such as stories, newspaper articles and poems. They will then select their 2-3 favourites to revise and edit for the magazine, which will be published in print!

#### Term 2 AND 3 Class Dates:

Mon: Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, Mar 9, 16, Apr 13, 20,  
27, May 4, 11, 18, Jun 1, 8 (15 sessions total)

Fri: Jan 16, 23, Feb 6, 27, Mar 13, 20, Apr 17, 24,  
May 8, 15, 29, June 5, 12 (13 sessions total)

While many kids can't wait to become adults, there are many grown-ups who wish they could turn back time. Inspired by Amy Swartz's *Bea and Mr Jones*, students in this creative writing and book publishing workshop will create their own adult and child characters and explore what happens when they trade places. From snack time and recess to business meetings and conference calls, students will enjoy walking around in someone else's shoes and will experiment with writing from two different perspectives.

#### Contact us to register:

Email: [info@elephantcommunitypress.com](mailto:info@elephantcommunitypress.com)

Phone: 3487 3153 WhatsApp: 5741 1079

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

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

For more details, please contact us at 34804199/ 91787376 or admin@activekidshk.com



Scan to enroll online!

Baking Class

## KJS Baking Class

### Term 2 JANUARY - MARCH

1

MINI COOKIE CEREAL



2

CHINESE HOT DOG



3

RASPBERRY MUFFIN



4

APPLE ROSE PASTRY



5

MILANO COOKIE



6

BUTTER CROISSANT



7

CHICKEN FRITTER



8

CHEESE TOMATO BREAD



9

VANILLA CUPCAKE





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 or 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





BAKE ALONG with Ms. Hong





## 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

 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 ESFAPP10. Exclusive to ESF students.

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

