



# KJS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear KJS Families,

I hope this message finds you all well.

I wanted to remind you of an important new law that has been implemented across Hong Kong. All students must now wear seat belts at all times while on the bus, without exception. While our bus companies are working hard on ensuring compliance with this safety law, it would be greatly appreciated if you could also speak with your children about the importance of this new law.

As many of you already know, we'll be sadly saying goodbye to our Vice Principal Mr. Fay at the end of this school year. We're currently right in the middle of the recruitment process for his replacement and are hoping to have a final decision made shortly after the Lunar New Year celebrations.

A huge thanks to all the parents who attended our recent face-to-face conferences. It was great to see so many of you in person and I hope you found these meetings helpful as you discussed your child's progress, particularly focusing on the core subjects that form the foundation of their learning journey.

I also hope that many of you were able to spend some time meeting with our specialist teachers, who play such an important role in providing your children with a well-rounded education.

As always, have a lovely weekend.

Mr MacGregor  
Principal

## LIBRARY NEWS



Dear KJS Families,

As winter wraps our days in a gentle chill, the library remains a warm, vibrant haven for our students, a place where stories come alive, curiosity is sparked, and young minds continue to grow. This week has been no exception, filled with inspiring author visits, celebrated student achievements, and quiet moments of discovery among the bookshelves.

We are thrilled to share with you another edition of our library newsletter, packed with literary highlights, upcoming events, and voices from our very own KJS community. From special author visits on the horizon to the brilliant work of our young writers in the SCMP Posties, there is so much to celebrate.

So, grab a cozy blanket and a warm drink, and join us in revisiting the magic of this week's literary journey.

Warmly,  
The KJS Library Team

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ✳ **Half-Day School**  
(school ends at 12nn)  
13 February
- ✳ **CNY Holiday**  
14-22 February
- ✳ **Y5 Camp**  
2-6 March
- ✳ **Last Day of Term 2**  
(school ends at 2:45pm)  
27 March



## LIBRARY NEWS Rachel Ip Year 2 & 4 Author Visits Coming Soon

We are absolutely delighted to announce two very special author visits coming this spring for our Year 2 and Year 4 students! After our wonderful sessions with Year 1, 3, and 6 earlier this term, we are thrilled to be welcoming acclaimed author **Rachel Ip** back to KJS for more inspiring moments.

Mark your calendars!

- **Wednesday, February 25th:** Our Year 2 students will have the joy of meeting Rachel. They will explore her beautiful book *"The Wild Outside"* as a provocation to launch their upcoming Unit of Inquiry, "Sharing the Planet." It promises to be a wonderful start to their learning journey.
- **Wednesday, April 15th:** Both our Year 2 and Year 4 students will come together for a special session where Rachel will introduce her book *"Wild Crossings."* We're especially excited to share that this book is a Golden Dragon Book Award nominee in the Debbie Alvarez category—what an inspiring connection for our young readers!

### Bringing the Inspiration Home

If your child feels inspired and you would like to purchase a signed copy of Rachel Ip's books, you may do so via our Google Form below. Rachel has kindly agreed to sign books for our students when she visits.

Order signed books here: <https://forms.gle/qGDbW11AnYKtFcHn7>



### AY Chan back to sign book #2

We have wonderful news for our readers! Author AY Chan is returning to KJS on **Wednesday, March 18th**, to sign copies of Book #2.

We know many students purchased the book but missed the chance to have it signed last time. Please bring your copy, whether it was purchased through the school or at a bookstore, for this special opportunity to meet the author of our Battle of the Books selection in person.

Please let your child know, and we hope to see them there!

### Young Voices Inspire with Stories of Calm & Cinematic Magic!

This week, in the **SCMP Posties Issue #691 (January 26th, 2026)**, we are thrilled to shine a light on two more brilliant KJS voices, one from our very own Year 4 and another from our cherished alumni community. Whether through a mindful guide to finding inner peace or an enthusiastic review of a highly anticipated film, these young writers remind us that great ideas can come in many forms, and every story has the power to connect and inspire.



First, let's celebrate **Theodore Lam (4JH)**, whose thoughtful article "How to Be Calm" brings a moment of tranquillity to this week's pages.

Theodore shares a simple yet powerful meditation technique: sitting cross-legged, forming an "OK" sign with both hands, closing the eyes, and imagining a favourite story, like those from Harry Potter or Roald Dahl. His piece is gentle, clear, and wonderfully practical, offering readers of all ages a tool to pause, breathe, and find calm in a busy day.

Theodore was overjoyed to learn his work was selected for *Posties*. When asked about his inspiration, he explained that he simply "didn't want people to get angry." His advice to other young writers is as heartfelt as his article: "Write about something you like and that others will find interesting."

Well done, Theodore, your mindful message is a gift to us all.



Next, we turn to Edward Cheang, a proud KJS alumnus, who brings his cinematic passion to this week's Top Picks section with a review of the exciting new film *Ne Zha 2*.

Edward dives into the action, animation, and heart of this much-anticipated sequel, highlighting its compelling themes and visual brilliance. His review is not only insightful but also full of genuine enthusiasm, perfect for guiding fellow young viewers toward their next movie night pick.

We are always delighted to see our alumni continuing to share their voices and interests with the wider community. Edward's piece is a wonderful reminder that the curiosity and creativity nurtured at KJS can flourish far beyond our school gates.

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. Minal, Year 6 Team**

**Book:** *The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas* by John Hoyne

**Ms. Minal** says: I really like 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' because it's a powerful story about friendship and innocence during a difficult time in history. The book shows how two boys, one Jewish and one German, become friends even though their worlds are very different. I find it emotional and thought-provoking because it makes me think about how unfair and cruel war can be. The story helps me understand the importance of kindness and empathy. Overall, it's a touching book that made me see the world in a new way."



### PTA NEWS

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Dear Parents,

Tickets are available now, hurry before they fill up. Spaces are LIMITED! Don't wait..

### Friday 27 February Movie Night at KJS - "ELEMENTAL"

**PTA KJS PTA PRESENTS**  
**MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS**  
FEB 27 2026 4:30 PM TO 7:30 PM  
KJS PLAYGROUND GROUND FLOOR UNDER THE STARS  
PRICE: \$60.00 PG RATING  
DURATION: 1 HOUR 49 MINUTES  
MOVIE STARTS AT 5:30 PM  
Free drink with ticket

**ADMIT ONE**  
KJS PLAYGROUND  
BRING YOUR OWN SMALL CHAIR OR MAT

The first of many we hope! Buy your tickets [here](#) and join us for popcorn, hot dogs and lots more delicious food, including vegetarian options. Contact Rekha in the PTA Office if you need more details on the menu.

### Friday 6 March- Parents Bingo Night

**PTA KJS**  
**Bingo Night**  
Join us for Bingo Night, our parent social evening! A night of fun and community connections!  
Tickets on sale [www.kjspta.com](http://www.kjspta.com)  
Location A private club in Kowloon Tong TBA

6 March, 2026  
Friday  
6:00 to 10:00 PM  
Adults only event  
\$400/Per ticket  
With food, drinks and prizes

Act now to book your places for this super fun evening. Delicious food, lots of drinks, exciting games and amazing prizes are all included in the ticket price. Places are very limited and for KJS parents only so **HURRY!** This is an adults only event, [tickets](#) will go on sale at 3:00 pm today.

### NEW DATE ! Saturday 25 April

The KJS Carnival (School Fair), the biggest event of the PTA calendar. A must attend event!

For this big event, we definitely need your help! Please [sign here](#) if you can volunteer in the coming events this term.

Donations and Raffle sponsors wanted! A great way to participate in the KJS community. Contact the PTA if interested..All proceeds will go to our yearly fundraising goal for the students and school.

### PTA Membership Fees

Thank you to all those who have paid, however we still have many families with outstanding payments. It is only \$200 for the full family for the whole year and supports the important work of the PTA. Please follow these simple steps to make your payment:

1. Login to ESF Hub
2. Click on Payment Icon
3. Click on Child's Name
4. Select Payment Method