



KJS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear KJS Families,

It was fantastic to see so many of our students (and parents supporting) from Years 3–6 taking part in the Kowloon Cross Country held at Discovery College yesterday. There were amazing runners from all our teams, and we're incredibly proud of their effort and determination. Special mention goes to Abigail and Ethan Mak, who both came first in their respective age group races, an outstanding achievement!

Next week will have a huge focus on our Chinese New Year festivities. We'll be hosting the traditional Lion Dance and special assemblies on Thursday. Our Chinese choir will also be visiting Clearwater Bay School to perform as part of the ESF-wide celebrations.

We also have the ESF photographer visiting on Wednesday next week to capture some photos of our school site and the fantastic learning that takes place here.

Please be reminded that we finish at 12pm next Friday for the Chinese New Year break.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr MacGregor
Principal

LIBRARY NEWS



Welcome to the Latest KJS Library Journey!

As the gentle chill of winter continues to wrap around our days, the KJS library remains a warm and vibrant haven, a place where stories come alive, curiosity is sparked, and young minds continue to grow. This week has been no exception, filled with celebrated student achievements, quiet moments of discovery among the bookshelves, and the launch of exciting new ways to reward our readers.

We are thrilled to share this latest edition of our library newsletter, packed with literary highlights and proud voices from our very own community. From the introduction of our new digital badge system to the brilliant work of our young writers featured 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

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 Celebrating Reading Milestones: Introducing Orbit Library Badges!



We are excited to share that students can now earn Orbit Badges through our library system!

Badges are a fun and interactive way to reward students for their achievements and for exploring the library. Whether it's borrowing

a certain number of books, writing reviews, or exploring new genres, these badges serve as wonderful visual reminders of your child's accomplishments.

How it works:

- **Instant Recognition:** When a student completes a specific accomplishment, they are immediately alerted, and their new badge is proudly displayed on their Orbit profile.
- **Four Exciting Levels:** To keep the momentum going, badges come in four levels: Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. Each new step is a milestone worth celebrating!

Please look at the following [link](#) to learn steps on how to access Orbit.

We encourage you to log in to Orbit with your child this week to see if they have already unlocked any rewards.

SCMP Posties More KJS Voices Shine in SCMP Posties!

The literary excitement continues at KJS!

Following last week's celebrations, we are thrilled to announce that more of our talented students have been featured in the **SCMP Posties Issue #692, published on February 2nd, 2026**. It is wonderful to see our students sharing their personal stories and experiences with such a wide audience.



A Tale of Toads and Taiwan: Davian Pradhan (2LB)

First, we celebrate Davian Pradhan, who shared a delightful recount of his winter break adventures in Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Davian wrote about his unique experience "fishing for toads" at a local farm.

- The Adventure: Davian used a long stick with food to lure toads in a big pond.
- The Catch: He successfully caught a "squishy and wet" toad using gloves and gave it a friendly pat before releasing it back into the water.
- The Milestone: This was Davian's first time writing to Posties, and he was incredibly excited to see his story and photo in the paper!



Teeth, Coins, and Perseverance: Lukas Wang (4VS)

Next, we turn to Lukas Wang, whose article about a very relatable childhood milestone—losing teeth—was also featured this week. Lukas found out the big news on Monday through his classmate and friend, Bob.

- The Story: Lukas shared a charming personal experience about losing two bottom front teeth and receiving two coins from his mum (aka the Tooth Fairy!).
- A Long-Awaited Debut: Interestingly, Lukas actually wrote this article while he was in Year 3. Though it is his "one and only" article for now, seeing it published has inspired him to keep going.
- Words of Wisdom: Lukas was so excited to see himself in the paper that he wants to encourage all his peers to "keep trying" with their own writing.

Seeing our students' names in print is a testament to their creativity and the supportive writing community we have here at KJS. We are so proud of you, Davian and Lukas!

To read more, click [here](#). To submit articles to Posties, click [here](#).

Staff Book Recommendation of the Week

This week's recommendation comes from **Mrs. Bogador, 6HB Teacher**

Book: Rosie Revere Engineer by Andrea Beaty

Mrs. Bogador says: Opening the pages of Rosie Revere Engineer, readers are welcomed into the life of another one of Ms Greer's students (Remember Izzy Peck and Aaron Slater?). As Rosie lets her curiosity and creativity guide her to invent a wide assortment of intriguing contraptions, I feel inspired, myself, to see what I can upcycle and create. When Rosie feels like she's failed, I feel her disappointment too. Author Andrea Beattie has, once again, written a relatable, rhyming story with a wonderful message for children and adults alike: be curious, be creative and remember that what we see as failures are actually great learning opportunities. This is definitely a book you should read together!!!





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Dear Parents,
Ongoing events:



4 Feb 2026 Staff Well Being- Physiotherapist talk

In our ongoing support of staff, the PTA organised a talk by Yashmita Changlani, a qualified physiotherapist working in a Central clinic, who addressed the concerns of staff working with young children including posture, muscle movements, daily exercises to prevent strain and tips for helping the students too. We would like to thank Yashmita for giving us her valuable time and expert advice!

Friday 27 February Movie Night at KJS - "ELEMENTAL"

There are still tickets available, so hurry before it's too late! Make a group with your friends and snuggle down with popcorn to watch the movie together in our very own open theatre.

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

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, buy your [tickets here](#).

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.

Raffle Prizes needed!

Donations and Raffle sponsors wanted! A great way to participate in the KJS community. Contact the PTA if you would like to donate an item, service or cash. All proceeds will go to our yearly fundraising goal for the students and school.

PTA Membership Fees- Still many unpaid!

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

Enjoy the lovely weather and thank you for your support always!