



KJS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear KJS Families,

It was great to welcome everyone back after Chinese New Year! I hope you all had fun with family and friends during the celebrations.

You should have received notification yesterday of the exciting news that our new Vice Principal, Amy Gardner, will be joining us in August. We look forward to welcoming her to the KJS community.

Yesterday, a group of our students attended the first ESF-wide ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) symposium at Sha Tin College. It was a thought-provoking day with representation across all the ESF schools. Our students gained valuable insights into important topics around sustainability and social responsibility. It was great that our CEO Belinda Greer was in attendance, this highlights the importance of the work being done.

Our Tag Rugby team headed off to King's Park this morning to take part in the Tag Rugby competition. We're proud of our athletes representing KJS and look forward to hearing how they got on.

Don't forget it's the PTA movie night this evening. We hope to see many families there for what promises to be an enjoyable evening together.

Mr MacGregor
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

- * **Y5 Camp**
2-6 March
- * **Y1 & Y2 Fun Field Day**
10 March
- * **Y4 Camp**
23-24 March
- * **Last Day of Term 2**
(school ends at 2:45pm)
27 March

PE & SPORTS NEWS

Y1 & Y2 Fun Field Day - March 10th



We are delighted to formally invite Y1 & Y2 parents to our Fun Field Day event.

Who: Year 1 9:30am -11:30am, Year 2 11:00am -1:00pm
*Y1 and Y2 snacks on the field from 11:00am-11:30am. ***Parents are welcome to bring snacks to enjoy with their child.**

When: Tuesday, March 10th

Where: Perth Street Sports Ground

Why: An opportunity for parents to join our learning community. To see first hand how their children move, play and interact in PE. Parents will engage with their child in a fun, playful environment; an opportunity for students to celebrate their growth and development and to highlight the value of PE at KJS.

Please refer to the News Feed "Y1 and Y2 Fun Field Day - Tuesday, March 10th" for details.

PE & SPORTS NEWS



KJS Basketball Shines at Kowloon Schools Festival

Our KJS Basketball teams had a fantastic day out at the Kowloon Primary Schools Basketball Festival at RCHK. We saw incredible effort from our two boys' teams and one girls' team. The Boys' Second Team and the Girls' Team showed terrific determination, improving their skills in every single game.

A huge congratulations to our Boys' First Team, who fought their way to the championship final! In a thrilling match, they narrowly missed out on the title to AISHK. We are incredibly proud of their teamwork and sportsmanship. As a result of their outstanding performance, KJS now heads to the HK Schools Tournament later this term as one of the top seeds. Well done to all our players!

KJS Runners Show Grit at Kowloon Cross-Country Champs

The KJS Cross-Country Team was absolutely outstanding at the Kowloon Cross-Country Championships last week! Despite a long and challenging course, every single runner showed incredible grit and determination to power through to the finish line.

We are thrilled to announce that KJS finished a very impressive 4th place overall in the team competition. A special highlight of the day was being able to enter 8 complete teams for the first time ever – a fantastic achievement for our school! We are hoping to do the same at the upcoming HKPSSA Cross-Country Championships. Click the link [here](#) to see a short video of the day!

LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome Back to the Library! We hope you had a wonderful Lunar New Year break

filled with joy and celebration. It has been such a pleasure to welcome our students back into the library this week, seeing their excitement as they return to our favorite activities and cozy reading corners.

The library is once again a warm, vibrant haven where stories come alive and curiosity is sparked. This week has been especially inspiring, featuring a wonderful author visit, celebrated student achievements in the SCMP Posties, and many quiet moments of discovery among the bookshelves.

We are thrilled to share this edition of our newsletter with you, highlighting the magic of our first week back.

Author Rachel Ip Inspires Our Young Readers!

We were delighted to welcome acclaimed children's author **Rachel Ip** to our library on Wednesday, February 25th, for a creative and interactive session with our Year 2 students.

A Journey into "The Wild Outside"

The visit was perfectly timed to support the Year 2 Unit of Inquiry, "**Sharing the Planet**," and their exploration of how ecosystems are interconnected. Rachel brought her beautifully illustrated book, *The Wild Outside*, to life through a dynamic presentation where she:

- **Shared her creative inspiration** found in the natural world.
- **Led a captivating read-aloud**, prompting students to observe and imagine the nature beyond their doorsteps.
- **Explored the artistic roles** of authors and illustrators in storytelling.
- **Facilitated a collaborative creative moment**, inviting students to contribute their own nature-inspired ideas.



Our students were fully engaged, asking thoughtful questions and making meaningful connections between the physical world and artistic expression.

The literary inspiration doesn't stop here! We are excited to announce that Rachel Ip will be returning to KJS on **April 15th** to visit with both **Year 2 and Year 4**.

During these upcoming sessions, she will introduce her book ***Wild Crossings***, which has been shortlisted for the Debbie Alvarez Golden Dragon Book Award.

Order Your Signed Copies! If you would like to purchase *The Wild Outside* or any of Rachel's other titles, you can do so via this [Google Form](#). Rachel has kindly agreed to sign books for our students during her return visit. Further details regarding the book signing will be shared once orders are processed.

We encourage you to talk with your child about what inspired them during this morning of imagination and discovery!

Posties Success: Celebrating Our Young Writers!

We are absolutely bursting with pride to share some spectacular news from the Lunar New Year break! While many were enjoying festive treats, three of our brilliant students, past and present, received the wonderful news that their work was selected for the **SCMP Posties Issue #694 and #695**



Anastasia Kaku (5EG): A Rising Literary Star

For Anastasia, this marks an incredible second appearance in Posties! You may remember her captivating fictional story, "A Different One," from Issue 668 back in August. This time, the spotlight is on her own life; she wrote this beautiful piece about herself while she was in Year 4.

Anastasia was surprised and "really happy" to discover she had been selected again after reading an email during the holidays. When asked for her secret to success, she shared some sage advice for fellow writers:

"Need to have your own idea, and check your grammar before sending it in."

She is very careful with her editing, and it clearly shows in her five (and counting!) written articles.



Remy Wong (6HB): Perseverance Pays Off

Remy was equally surprised and thrilled to see her name in print! Her featured article, written during her time in 5JO, captures the adventurous spirit of her Year 5 camp experience.

Remy is a true pillar of our school community, serving her second year on the Student Council and her third year with the KJS Times. Her journey to publication is a lesson in patience for us all.

"Write about what you're confident about and interested in," she suggests. "Don't give up. Mine took over a year to get in!"



Isaac Chan Pak-wing: Alumni Excellence

We are also delighted to celebrate KJS Alumnus, Isaac Chan, who has secured his second Posties publication! Isaac combined his passion for gaming with his writing skills to recommend **Minecraft**, even highlighting the game's educational potential. It is always heartening to see our former students continue to share their voices and inspire the community long after they have moved on to secondary school.

A huge congratulations to Anastasia, Remy, and Isaac. Your dedication to storytelling reminds us that with a bit of passion and a lot of persistence, your voice can reach readers all across Hong Kong!

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. Jackson, Drama Teacher**

Book: The Baddies by Julia Donaldson

Ms. Jackson says: I love this rhyming picture book and recommend it to anyone who enjoys funny stories.

The three Baddies, a witch, a troll and a ghost, are hilarious characters who fight over which of them is the scariest. When a new kid arrives to live in the village, they each try their best to frighten her, but with no luck.

As you'd expect with a Julia Donaldson book, everything turns out for the best in the end. The new kid shows people the importance of kindness, and the baddies learn their lesson!

I hope you enjoy it as much as I do - watch out for a KJS performance of the story later this term!





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Dear Parents,

We are super excited about our first ever Movie Night tonight and hope everyone has a good time!

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KJS PTA PRESENTS

MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

FEB 27 2026 4:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

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| KJS PLAYGROUND | GROUND FLOOR | UNDER THE STARS |
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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

ELEMENTAL
Only in Theaters June 16

2026 Raffles

We have started our process for the annual raffles and, in agreement with the school, the target project of this year is the Sky Garden and Hall upgrades. All net income raised from the raffle sales will be given to the school for these areas, which will benefit all students across the school, as well as staff and all the community.

Another first, this year the PTA have planned to have digital raffles, so no more paper tickets! Keep an eye out for more details and the list of fabulous prizes that are waiting to be won!

The Carnival 25 April 2026- Mark your Calendars!

More details will follow soon.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the mild weather.