



KJS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear KJS Families,

I hope this message finds you well. It's been a wonderful first full week of term. It has been fantastic to see the children already in full flow with their "Who We Are" unit, bringing such great energy and curiosity into the classrooms.

To help keep everyone active and engaged throughout the middle of the day, we have introduced some new play equipment into the hall at lunchtime this week, which has been lovely to see the children enjoying.

We were delighted to welcome our PTA class reps on site today for their training. They serve an invaluable role in our school community, helping us ensure that communication with all of our parents is as seamless and supportive as possible.

Year 6 parents will receive details regarding Year 7 admissions today. As a parent myself, I completely understand that this step can feel surprisingly early, but please keep a close eye on the key dates included in that information so everything goes smoothly.

Finally, it looks like the weather may become a bit unsettled over the next few days. Please ensure your children come to school dressed appropriately for rain or cooler turns in the forecast. Thank you all for a brilliant week, and I hope you have a great weekend.

Mr MacGregor
Principal

Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Process (August 2027 entry)

All Year 6 parents will receive an email sent directly via the ESF Online Admissions System (OAS) with a direct link to your child's Y7 transfer form on Friday, 28 August. Please kindly check your inbox (including spam/junk folders) for an email titled "Year 6 to Year 7 Transfer – August 2027".

- Application period: Tuesday, 1 September – Tuesday, 15 September 2026
- **Deadline for submission: Tuesday, 15 September 2026** (late submissions will NOT be accepted)
- Associated Secondary School: King George V School (exception: sibling transfers*)

**Children who have siblings studying in another ESF secondary school that is not the associated secondary school, will have an option to indicate their preferences in the transfer form. Please note that such a request will be considered based on availability and there is no guarantee students will get into the same school as their siblings.*

Please note that a completed transfer form is required for every Year 6 student. If parents decline a Year 7 place or fail to submit a form before the deadline, the place will be released to other priority applicants.

IMPORTANT DATES

- * **CPD Day**
4 September
- * **Public Holiday**
1 October
- * **Mid Term Break**
19-26 October
- * **Last Day of Term 1 (School Ends at 12nn)**
11 December

Library News

It was so great to see all the students back at school this week and hear about their summer.

We're excited to have them back and wanted to share with you some of the things we have planned.

This year, our library is placing a major focus on **translanguaging**, actively celebrating and supporting the rich repertoire of languages spoken by our school community. Research shows that maintaining a strong foundation in a home language boosts overall literacy and cognitive growth. To support this, we are expanding our bilingual and international book collection and encouraging every student to borrow books in their home language.

Here is how you can get involved and support your child's reading journey:

1. Encourage Home Language Reading at Home



Students are now invited to borrow **one extra home language book** alongside their regular reading level titles! We have already seen a wonderful uptake in students exploring these books, and we encourage you to ask your child about their latest home language choice.

2. Recommend Books for Our Collection

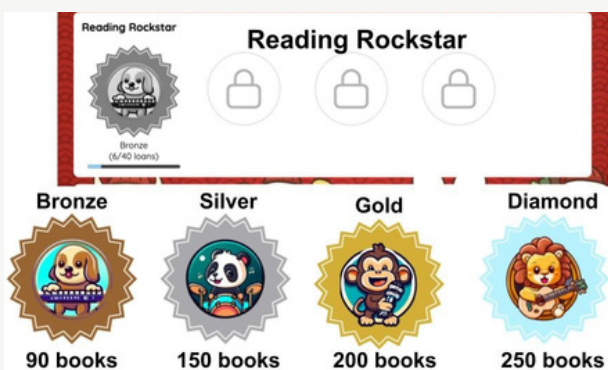
Help us keep our library current and reflective of our diverse student body. Many students have already shared fantastic title ideas with us! If you or your child have suggestions, please submit them through our [Home Language Wishlist Form](#). You can also find a permanent link to this form on the [KJS Virtual Library homepage](#).

3. Volunteer for Home Language Storytelling at Lunchtime Play



Starting next month, we will be recruiting parent volunteers to read stories to students in their home languages during Friday lunchtime play in the library. Keep an eye out for sign-up details in upcoming communications. We would love to have you share your language and culture with our readers!

Relaunching our Library Badge System



Following a fantastic response last year, we are thrilled to announce the relaunch of our Library Badge System!

To celebrate and motivate our avid readers, students who hit major borrowing milestones will be recognized with a special Library Certificate at the end of the school year in June.

Track Your Child's Progress Curious how close your child is to their next milestone? You can easily view their borrowing total online.

Encourage your child to keep reading, exploring new genres, and working toward their badge this term! For more details, [click here](#).

HOME LANGUAGE BOOKS



Student Spotlight: SCMP Posties Feature!



To launch off the school year, we are thrilled to feature Claire Gillyon (5AG)!

Claire was ecstatic to discover that her work was featured in SCMP Posties Edition #720, published on August 18th, 2026. She first learned the big news when Ms. Lau shared it with her while they were walking to choir together!

Here is the story behind her writing journey:

- The Journey: Claire and her best friend, Arielle, began their collaborative writing venture back in Year 3. Together, the dynamic duo has produced 4 joint articles, while Claire has written 6 individual pieces in total. Although published this week, this featured piece was originally written during her time in Year 4.
- Claire's Advice: Offering words of encouragement to fellow aspiring authors, Claire advises: "Keep trying if you don't get in, and even if you get in, keep trying!"

A huge congratulations to Claire on this incredible achievement! We can't wait to see more of her work in print.

If you want your own printed copy for your child, please [click here](#) for details.

Who will be next? Whether you want to share a list of mind-boggling facts or draft a dramatic story, your voice deserves to be heard!

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

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

Library Clubs and Offers

Calling all young authors! Our After-School Writing Club is back, hosted in our school library by Elephant Community Press.

- Years 3–4 (Mondays): Create stories, poems, and articles to be featured in ECP's printed magazine.
- Years 5–6 (Wednesdays): Write and publish a real book about fantastic beasts and mythical creatures.

To help us build dedicated cohorts of young writers, students must submit an [application form](#) to join. Check out the [flyer](#) in the section below for details and how to apply!

Extra-Curricular Activities

We are pleased to inform you that registration for our Term 1 Extra-Curricular Activities (ECA) program will open later this evening.

Registration Timeline:

- Registration Opens: Friday, 21 August
- Registration Closes: Wednesday, 26 August at 11:59pm

How to Register:

Parents will receive an "Expression of Interest" form (message title: Activity Permission Slip) which will be found in your news feed or under the "Activities" module. The aim is for us to gather your child's preferences. It does not mean your child's enrollment is confirmed at this stage.

Once we gather all the responses, if the number of sign-ups exceeds the class capacity, enrolment will then be randomized (NOT on a first come first served basis).

Students will be allocated to different ECAs based on the randomization results and parents of those who are successfully assigned to a club will receive another "Activity Permission Slip" by Wednesday, 2 September to confirm your child's enrollment. Parents will be asked to give final consent as they might not be able to get into their first choice and based on our experience, some parents might not agree for their children to participate in the allocated ECAs due to various reasons.

If you haven't received any permission slip by then, it means your child's enrollment is unsuccessful.

For details, please refer to the News Feed.

External ECAs Available in Term 1:

- Baking Club by Flour
- Chess Club by ActiveKids
- Drama Club by FAUST
- TASTO Music Club *For more information, please refer to the ECA memo (flyer) embedded in the google form
- Writing Club by Elephant Community Press

Sign-up of these ECAs is to be done through the ECA providers directly.

Baking Club

Junior Baking Class

Term 1 Schedule 2026-2027

1	2	3	4	5	6
WHOOPIE PIE	LEMON SCONE	PIZZA PUFF	BUTTER MOCHI	CORNBREAD MUFFIN	RASPBERRY BAR
					
7	8	9	10	11	
SPOOKY CUPCAKE	PRETZEL DOG	PAN FRIED BUN	GINGERBREAD REINDEER	SNOWMAN CAKE POP	
					

Junior bakers (5 -11 yr) learn to bake and decorate delicious desserts and savoury goodies. Baking lessons are 1.5 hours with ingredients, equipments, recipes and aprons provided. Sibling Discount 10%
For more information, please contact Ms. Hong:
flourhk@hotmail.com or www.facebook.com/flourhk

DATE: SEPTEMBER 10 - DECEMBER 4

TIME: 3:00PM - 4:30PM

THURSDAY: 10 lessons - \$3,900

FRIDAY: 11 lessons - \$4,290

VENUE: KJS DT ROOM





Baking Class -KJS

Term 1 Sept - Dec



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 a qualified teacher (B.Ed./B.Sc./CELTYL). 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

Chess Club



Kowloon Junior School

AfterSchool Program

2026 - 27 Term 1



LEARN FROM THE BEST!!
#1 Chess Program in Hong Kong

Led by Grand Master 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...

Every Tuesday

3:00 – 4:00pm, D&T Room

Sep 1, 8, 15, 22

Oct 6, 13, 27

Nov 3, 10, 17, 24

Dec 1

Course fee: \$3,480 for 12 sessions

Every Wednesday

3:00 – 4:00pm, D&T Room

Sep 2, 9, 16, 23

Oct 7, 14, 28

Nov 4, 11, 18, 25

Dec 2

Course fee: \$3,480 for 12 sessions

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

Scan to enroll online!





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



Thursday 3pm - 4pm

**Term Dates: Sep 3, 10, 17, 24
Oct 8, 15, 29
Nov 5, 12, 19
Fee: \$2,600 - 10 Workshops**

Drama Club

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 well known fairy tales and popular books such as ROOM ON THE BROOM, THE LORAX, THE SMARTEST GIANT IN TOWN, 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/yzsguCtjXGpQBkXYA> or scan the QR code.



If you have any questions, please contact Faust at Schools@FaustWorld.com. The registration period is from August 21st to September 2nd 2026 and workshops will run each Thursday from 3:00 – 4:00pm starting from September 3rd.



**Elephant
Community
Press**

Books by Hong Kong Kids!
www.elephantcommunitypress.com
www.facebook.com/elephantcommunitypress

Write and Publish with Elephant Community Press!



Trumpet Magazine

**Age: Year 3-4
Day: Monday
Time: 3:00-4:15pm
Location: KJS Library
Fee: \$420/session
Publishing fee: \$400/student**

Class size: Max 8 students

Class dates: Sept 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct 5, 12, Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (11 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 two favourites to revise and edit for the magazine, which will be published in print!



Guide to Mythical Hybrids

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

Class size: Max 8 students

Class dates: Sept 2, 9, 16, 23, Oct 7, 14, 28*, Nov 4, 11, 18, 25, Dec 2* (12 sessions total)

We may not see them day to day, but mythical creatures can be found in all sorts of places: faeries in the trees, centaurs in the forests and Yetis or sasquatches in remote mountain areas. Students in this **creative writing and book publishing workshop** will create their own fantastic beasts for ECP's *Guide to Mythical Hybrids*. To write an informative and comprehensive guide, students will consider all sorts of puzzling questions and topics about their mythical species, from its friends and foes, diet, sleeping habits and more!

*Students absent for school camp will be offered an online make-up in the same week on Fri 5:30-6:30pm

Writing Club

ECP's Creative Writing Workshop at Kowloon Junior starts from Wednesday, 2nd September!

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 Christmas break.

NEW Enrolment Procedure:

To enroll, students must submit this [application form](#) to be considered for the Writing Club.

Application Deadline:
24th August



PTA NEWS

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Hello Everyone,
End of the first full week of school and everything is running well

The PTA had its first Executive Committee meeting this week, as well a Class Reps briefing this morning, which was well attended.

We still have 1 class without a volunteer (3NG).

If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact Rekha in the PTA Office.

Until then, that class will not have an official PTA chat as there is no admin to the group.

Please click your class to enter the chat:

Class		
1KA	3DP	5AG
1RC	3VS	5DM
1RT	3KB	5AN
1SQ	3JO	5JC
1SW	3NG (No link)	5LB
2GH	4KC	6LF
2SP	4BM	6AC
2EM	4AS	6LB
2JA	4JH	6KG
2EG	4HB	6MD

zebratasty – lunch provider at KJS
Lunches seem to be well received from our new provider.
For those who wish to register, please scan this QR code:



Or email them at schoolmeal@zebratasty.com.
We request all those who have registered with them to provide zebratasty with their mobile numbers for ease of contact.

Could we please remind parents to send in their own child’s cutlery each day as many children are coming to school without chopsticks, spoons or forks, even with their own home lunches.