

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Another busy week with children involved in a number of assemblies 3C, 1A, and 6RO plus our choir travelled to Bradbury School for preparation for the ESF 50th Primary Choral concert on March 17th at Queen Elizabeth stadium. This promises to be a spectacular event with tickets selling fast. Our touch rugby team were competing today at CIS.

Uniform Crackdown!

From next Monday we will be enforcing the KS uniform policy as some children are taking liberties with their creative interpretation of the policy. The main issues are:

- 1. Shoes:** Black leather school shoes should be worn at all times unless it is a PE/ Games day.
- 2. Hats** are compulsory for wearing at break times / lunch times and these must be the Kennedy School hat. For years 4-6 we now have a cool new basketball style

cap that can be purchased from the P.T.A. Office for \$75. Other caps will not be acceptable from next Friday 10th March.

3. Under/ Over garments: Many of our younger children are coming to school with layers of clothes that are not Kennedy School uniform. Our classrooms are warm and the children run around and get hot at lunch and break times, so please avoid piling on the layers when the temperature drops below 20°. An undershirt/ singlet is all that is required on cooler days. We will be giving children friendly reminders next week, after that we will be notifying parents. Below are some photographs of our current uniform.

I look forward to catching up with many of you tomorrow at our P.T.A. Garage Sale and Community Fair. I'll be cooking the burgers! Enjoy the weekend.

JOHN BREWSTER, PRINCIPAL

2017

MARCH DATES

4 MAR	PTA GARAGE SALE
6 MAR	GATEWAY REGISTRATION OPENS
6 MAR	HOUSE CHARITY TOP GEAR CHALLENGE
7 MAR	YR 3 ART JAM TRIP - 3T, 3S
8 MAR	YR 3 ART JAM - 3O, 3C
9 MAR	E-SAFETY WORKSHOP
10 MAR	YR 3 ART JAM TRIP - 3W
10 MAR	YR 6 DIALOGUE IN THE DARK - 6S
10 MAR	YEAR 1 TRIP ZEN ORGANIC GARDEN 9AM - 1:30PM
11 MAR	PRIMARY SCHOOL ROAD RACE
15 MAR	YR 6 DIALOGUE IN THE DARK - 6M
16 MAR	E-SAFETY WORKSHOP
17 MAR	YR 3 GALLERY WALK FOR PARENTS
24 MAR	3 WAY CONFERENCES
24 MAR	YR 4 PARENT TEACHER APPOINTMENTS WITH CHINESE TEACHERS





THE CORRECT USE OF THE KENNEDY SCHOOL UNIFORM



Please take your time and view the Kennedy School recommendations of the uniform.

As the weather is getting warmer, please be advised that too many layers causes the children to get too hot during lunch time and break time sessions.

We are also receiving an abundance of unlabelled Kennedy School uniform items in the lost property. Please make sure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with full names and classes, this way we can get the items back to the student during the week.



Sharing the Planet with 1A- A Class Assembly
We were all entertained and informed by the 1A class assembly this Wednesday which focused on educating us about what plants need to grow, the parts of plants and why they are important to us. We all appreciated the creative and unique outfit choices and individuality of each child's moment in the spotlight. From art work adorning the stage to full audience participation, it was an assembly that won't soon be forgotten. The assembly was created with input from all of the students in 1A and with guidance of support of Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Cheung. Congratulations 1A for a job well done!

JOSH BLUE
VICE PRINCIPAL



1A CLASS ASSEMBLY

3C CLASS ASSEMBLY



The theme of 3Cs assembly this week was 'Expression through the Arts'. The class showed us how they had been interpreting emotions through art, poetry and dance. The class also illustrated how emotion can be represented through colour with the lighting changing to reflect anger, frustration, happiness and sadness which was incredibly effective. The class projected their art work through a slide show as well as large boards on display for the assembly. The expressive dancing showed how much the class had thought about how they can represent emotions through movement. It was lovely to see the children so confident and present so clearly to us all. A wonderful assembly!
Well done 3C, Miss Woodall, Mrs Lai and thank you to all those parents who attended. I hope you all enjoyed the assembly. **EMMA NAVIN** VICE PRINCIPAL





6RO treated us to an exploration extravaganza on Thursday with a voyage across the seas, deserts, polar caps and mountains. The depth of knowledge that the children shared with us was incredible and everyone in the hall came away learning something new. Well done Mr Roscoe and 6RO.



6RO CLASS ASSEMBLY

MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY







BIRTHDAY BOOK

If your child has a birthday in March, April, May and you would like them to receive a book on their special day, please send \$100 in an envelope marked with your child's name and class, how old they will be and who the book will be from. They will be the first to borrow the book and then we'd appreciate it if they would return it to the library after one month. The book will be hand delivered to your child in their classroom on their special day and will have a label inside with a birthday message from the family. Once the book is returned, the label will remain inside for everyone to see. This is a great way to help us add new books to our collection.

MESSAGE FROM THE P.E. DEPARTMENT



KENNEDY SCHOOL HOUSE POINTS

LIONS	PHOENIX	DRAGONS	UNICORNS
			
586	639	572	704

SAFETY IN PE AND GAMES LESSONS

Gentle safety reminders: For PE and Games lessons, please ensure children wear only stud earrings and remove all other jewellery and watches. To ensure these precious items are not lost or left behind when removed at school, the best idea is to leave these items at home on PE or Games days.

Please also ensure that children with longer hair that can fall in their face have it tied up in a ponytail or braid for safety. Boys with long hair can use a headband or footballers topknot to hold their hair away from their face.

YR 4 - YR 6 GAMES ROTATIONS:

Please ensure your child is wearing their P.E. Kit for Games as well as for P.E. lessons. Additionally, for children in Year 4 to 6, please ensure your child has the correct kit for their Unit: Hockey - in accordance with the HKHA regulations all children participating in hockey MUST wear shin pads and a mouth guard. Long socks to hold shin pads are also recommended. All of these items are available from the PTA Office.

Rugby - although there is no mandate from the HKRFU we strongly recommend the use of mouth guards when playing rugby. Mouth guards and shin pads are available for purchase from the PTA Office.

YEAR 4			
DRAGONS	LIONS	PHOENIX	UNICORNS
HOCKEY	CRICKET	NETBALL	RUGBY

YEAR 5			
DRAGONS	LIONS	PHOENIX	UNICORNS
HOCKEY	ATHLETICS	NETBALL	RUGBY

YEAR 6			
DRAGONS	LIONS	PHOENIX	UNICORNS
HOCKEY	ATHLETICS	NETBALL	RUGBY

RCHK BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The KS Basketball Team played in an inter-school tournament at RCHK last Friday. The team were playing against some primary schools from around Hong Kong.

Our players started off brightly, creating chances and keeping and shooting the ball nicely. Although we did not get into the semi-final, the team is commended for excellent teamwork and sportsmanship. A special individual mention to Daniel COJOCARU (6S) who made two 3-point shots!

We look forward to the next tournament held in KJS on 16 March.

Many thank to Mr. Zeng and Mrs. Sumner for their training the squad.

CIS Touch Rugby Tournament and HK Primary Hockey Tournament
Wishing our teams every success in the upcoming tournaments.
Photos and match reports will follow in the newsletter next week.



3-WAY CONFERENCES FRIDAY, 24TH MARCH FROM 9:00 AM TO 3:30 PM

**SAVE
THE
DATE**



3-Way Conferences provide a forum for teachers, students and parents to acknowledge students' progress and achievement.

Your child will lead the conference and will talk about their learning journey. As parents, you will have an opportunity to see samples of your child's learning.

Specialist teachers will be organised on a 'drop-in' basis.

- Music - Mrs GG / Ms Barrie
- PE - Mr Luck / Mrs Khemlyani
- ICT - Mr Tibble
- IN - Mrs Tait / Mrs Bloomfield – will see parents on a 'by invitation only' basis

Appointments with the Chinese teachers have been arranged over the course of the academic year. Only Year 4 Parent Consultations with Chinese teachers will take place on Friday, 24 March between 8.30am – 3.30pm and the children are welcome to come along.

THERE WILL BE NO REGULAR SCHOOL FOR THE CHILDREN ON FRIDAY, 24 MARCH APART FROM WHEN THEY COME IN WITH YOU FOR THEIR APPOINTMENT. PTA SCHOOL BUSES WILL NOT RUN ON THIS DAY. THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

ONLINE REGISTRATION ON THE GATEWAY OPENS MONDAY, 6 MARCH AT 12 NOON AND CLOSES TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 12 NOON.

- The duration of each appointment with class teachers will be 30 minutes: 10 minutes with the class teacher (at the beginning, in the middle or at the end of a 30 minutes slot) and 20 minutes looking at student learning in classes and engaging in activities with your child.
- Your child will be responsible for leading the 3-Way Conference (we are getting ready for this in class and preparing the students).
- Casual clothes may be worn by the children.
- The time in class is for constructive discussion and target setting. Any other issues will need to be addressed at another time.
- The children and class teachers are very much looking forward to these 3-Way Conferences and hope that they will be very positive and beneficial for all involved.
- For Year 4 Parent Consultations with the Chinese teachers, the duration of each appointment will be 10 minutes.

HOW TO BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT:

- STEP 1** Starting from 12 noon on Monday, 6 March, login to Gateway at <https://ks.tg.esf.edu.hk> using your existing parental login name and password.
- STEP 2** On the right hand side of the Gateway homepage, click on "Click to book or update" under "Parent Consultation".
- STEP 3** Then click on the relevant event.
- STEP 4** Available time slots will then be shown in white on the timetable.
- STEP 5** Click on the time slot you wish to book. The box will turn to pink. This means that your appointment is confirmed. (This will be a 30 minute session.)
- STEP 6** You can cancel your booking by clicking again on the slot that you have booked.

IF YOU NEED ANY ASSISTANCE REGARDING YOUR GATEWAY LOGIN DETAILS, PLEASE EMAIL ITSUPPORT@KENNEDY.EDU.HK. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL ON FRIDAY, 24 MARCH.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE CAPTAINS



TOP GEAR CHALLENGE !

We house captains are organising a fundraising event called the Top Gear Challenge. The Top Gear Challenge is an obstacle course we are setting up on the lower playground. It will be on every lunch and break time next week. It is \$10 a go and you can have as many goes as you want as long as you have the money for it. The fastest girl and fastest boy from each year group will get a prize of 10 house points for their house. It will take place from the 6th March - 10th March and it will also be on at the Garage Sale on Saturday 4th March. All the money that you bring in to have a go will go to the house charities. They are: Half the Sky for the Unicorns, Feeding Hong Kong for the Phoenix, Christian Action for the Dragons and Care Australia for the Lions. All ages are welcome to try out.

Who will be the fastest house??

WRITTEN BY OLIVIA MCCAFFERTY 6M

KENNEDY 2016-2017 – YEARBOOK ORDER FORM

Kennedy School is very proud to present a fabulous memento of the experiences and memories our children have made throughout 2016 – 2017. This Year Book will be full of children's work, entertaining photographs, pictures of school wide events and students amazing achievements. Our aim is to feature all children within the dazzling pages we are designing.

The Yearbook will be available on a pre-ordered basis for HK\$ 300 per book.

In addition, if you or your company would like to make a generous donation towards the Yearbook, we will acknowledge and recognize your contribution by placing your name in the Yearbook as well. To ensure your family receives their pre-ordered copies in June, please complete the form below and return it to the class teacher along with the cheque payment by Friday, 31st March 2017.

[Yearbook order form here](#)

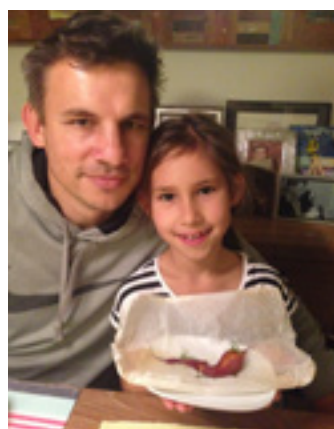


GREEN NEWS



FOOD FROM WASTE

A great way to experiment is to grow food from waste. Last September, year 3 planted lots of food waste including; bits of sweet potato, garlic, peas and pineapple tops. Imagine their surprise when they pulled out two large handfuls of sweet potatoes from their trough! Here's Anna Maria taking action by cooking her delicious sweet potato with rosemary and olive oil....with a little help from daddy!



WWF EARTH HOUR

Earth Hour 2017 is approaching! The world's largest collective environmental action will be held on Saturday, 25 March 2017 8:30pm. We can take the opportunity to join the crowd in over 170 countries by switching the lights off at the designated hour. This simple act shows that we care about our earth.

Share the link and invite your friends and family to join our lights-off event on 25 March 2017 at 8:30pm. Don't forget to make a pledge on our official Earth Hour 2017 website earthhour.hk.

ALL YEARS ASSEMBLY DATES / TIME: 8:30 - 9:00AM

CLASS ASSEMBLY YR1 AND YR2

8 MARCH

YR 1 ASSEMBLY - 1M

15 MARCH

YR 1 & YR 2 ASSEMBLY - 2J

22 MARCH

YR 1 & YR 2 ASSEMBLY - 1B

29 MARCH

YR 1 & YR 2 ASSEMBLY - 2A

CLASS ASSEMBLY YR3 AND YR4

7 MARCH

YR 4 ASSEMBLY - 4C

14 MARCH

YR 3 & YR 4 ASSEMBLY - 3T

21 MARCH

YR 3 & YR 4 ASSEMBLY - 4D

28 MARCH

YR 3 & YR 4 ASSEMBLY - 3S

CLASS ASSEMBLY YR5 AND YR6

9 MARCH

YR 6 ASSEMBLY - 6M

16 MARCH

YR 5 & YR 6 ASSEMBLY - 6R

23 MARCH

YR 5 & YR 6 ASSEMBLY - 5S

30 MARCH

YR 5 & YR 6 ASSEMBLY - 5J

ACTIVITIES BY EXTERNAL AGENCIES

Click on the following links to view advertisements for after school activities provided by external agencies and ESF Educational Services.

DAY	ACTIVITY	PROVIDER
VARIOUS	FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TENNIS, GYMNASTICS, KUNG FU, NETBALL, SCIENCE, WRITING CLASS, JAPANESE CLASS, DANCE, SPANISH	ESF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
VARIOUS	SCIENCE ADVENTURES, STORMY CHEFS, MISSION RUNWAY	ACTIVE KIDS
MONDAY	DRAMA, SPEECH & COMMUNICATION CLASSES	STARLIT VOICE (TERM 3)
MONDAY	DIY WORKSHOPS	BRAINCHILD (TERM 3)
MONDAY	CHESS LESSONS	HOYINPING CHESS
MONDAY	FABRIC FUN	FABRIC ART
VARIOUS	FOUNDATION'S ORATOR, FILMMAKER & NOVELIST	FOUNDATION ACADEMY
WEDNESDAY	BRICKS 4 KIDZ	ELITE BRICKS
THURSDAY	ART CLASSES	BANANA ART
FRIDAY	CREATIVE WRITING AND PUBLISHING	ELEPHANT COMMUNITY PRESS

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YOUR CHILD AND TECHNOLOGY



HOW TO TAKE BACK CONTROL

This term Kennedy School will be running three events to offer guidance and practical advice to parents on how to ensure your children are safeguarded online, and how best to manage the potential dangers of social media and online gaming.

Creating a Safer Internet Environment at Home

PC- March 2nd 18:30 - 20:00
Mac- March 9th 18:30 - 20:00

In these 90 minute workshops:



We'll help you to set up your Win10 or MacBooks with our Kennedy recommended Internet Controls.



We'll show you how to monitor and control your child's iPad or iPhone from your own device.

Due to the logistics of this event, you must register to attend. Please click here and read the information carefully to ensure the workshop is applicable to you.

Please visit here for more information and to register: <https://goo.gl/forms/9AUA93BU7ijK338j2>

A Rough Guide to Social Media and Online Gaming

March 16th 18:30-19:30

The world of social media and online gaming is constantly changing, and knowing what's safe and what isn't is a serious and challenging issue. This talk will provide an overview of the social media your child is likely to be using as they grow older, as well as guidance on how best to manage their access and use of it.

In addition we will also discuss how to manage online gaming, including which games are and aren't appropriate, parental control settings on Xbox and Playstation, and how to manage your child's exposure on games like Minecraft and Roblox.

Please visit here to register: <https://goo.gl/forms/w2Be2fwRGJkAkKl1>

HONG KONG AUSKICK - AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL PROGRAM

HK Auskick provides the introductory Australian Rules Football program in HK for boys and girls from 4 to 14 years old, catering to all skill levels and highly compatible with any football background or passion. In conjunction, Hong Kong Junior AFL provides further training, development and the opportunity to play games in age groups from U8 to U15.

The programs makes learning to play the team game of Aussie Rules fun, safe and easy for kids. Through weekly coaching sessions the players will learn the skills of the game in an exciting, social and safe environment. It also provides a great opportunity for parents to interact with their kids during the activities and make new friends across Hong Kong around the greatest game on earth.

The 2017 season in Hong Kong commences on the weekend of 29/30 April and runs until early September, making it a perfect off-season fit with other football codes. A modified program is conducted across most of July to cater for summer holidays. Sessions are hosted by 5 Clubs based in 4 main locations across Hong Kong: Kowloon (and Sai Kung), Lantau Island (DB), Sandy Bay (Pok Fu Lam) and Happy Valley.

In 2017 our players of all ages will also have the opportunity to participate in a touring party that will travel to Shanghai on the weekend of the inaugural AFL main season game on 14 May between Port Adelaide and Gold Coast. Players will have the opportunity to participate in football events on against other travelling clubs and on the ground of the main game. We are also in the final stages of confirming our participation in an AFL game in Melbourne during the HK summer holidays, stay tuned for details.

Details of the Hk Auskick 2017 season, including registrations, are available on our website: <http://auskickhk.com> and you can keep up to date with our activities by liking us at <http://facebook.com/auskickhk> Complete your Early Registration by 23 March 2017 to ensure your kit is available prior to kit collection for the first session weekend.

Our program is run entirely by volunteers, and the success of our program and at each of our locations is on us all. If parents have the time or skills to contribute then please let your Club know during the registration process or email us at hk.auskick@gmail.com





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ESF 50TH ANNIVERSARY PRIMARY CHORAL CONCERT

Friday, 17 March 2017 7pm
2017 年 3 月 17 日 晚上 7 時

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Programme Enquiries 節目查詢 : 3762 2657

Tickets are available at URBIX from 3 February 2017
門票於 2017 年 2 月 3 日起在城巿售票網發售

Coding - Scratch

Kennedy School

Date: Apr 24, May 8, 15, 22, Jun 5, 12, 19, 26

Time: 3:15-4:15pm (Every Monday)

Target: Age 6-8

Price: \$3200

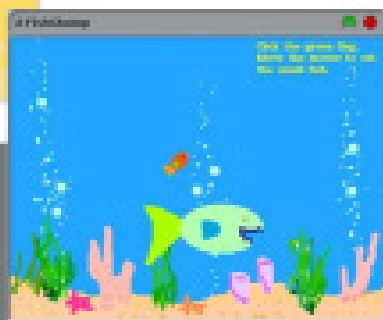
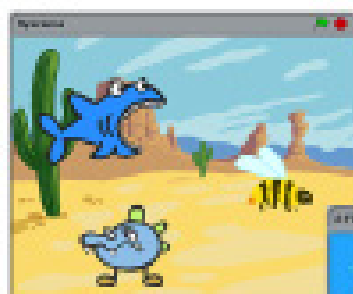


Coding encourages kids to think creatively, think outside of the box, and to work collaboratively with others.

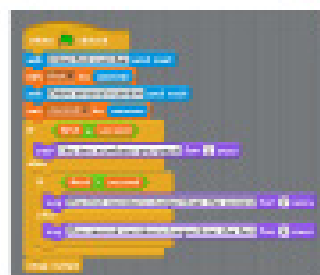
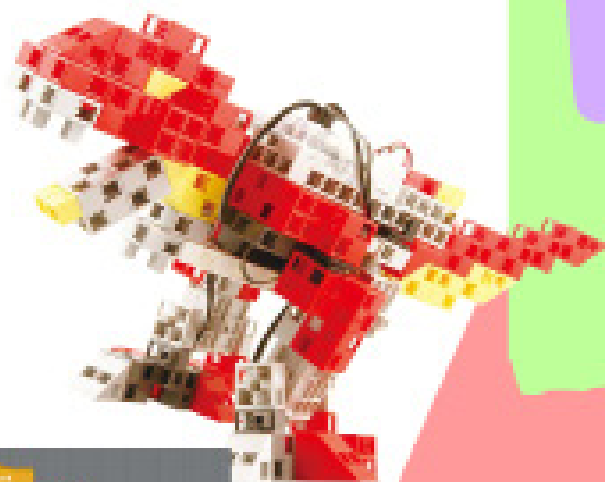
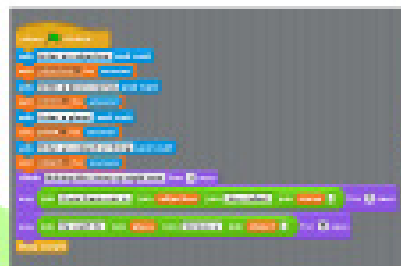
All of these skills are necessary for kids as they grow up in this ever changing world.

In this course students will learn how to code using Scratch.

They will then learn how to apply Scratch to make a robot move.



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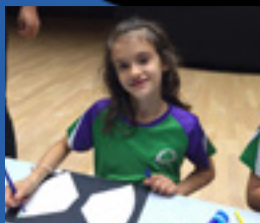
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