

*****IMPORTANT DATES*****

October 2011

- ◆ 7th - 5W Class Assembly
 - "Private Peaceful" show for Year 6
- ◆ 8th - ESF Primary Schools Football Tournament at KGV
- ◆ 11th - Photos for Absentees
- ◆ 12th - School Sports Day / KCC
- ◆ 13th - "The Snow Dragon" show for Year 1
 - Camp Info Evening (Year 3 / 6:00pm)
 - (Year 4 / 7:00pm)
- ◆ 14th - Y3 Sharing through the Arts
- ◆ 17th - Half Term Holiday - School Closed
- ◆ 24th - School resumes at 8:45am
- ◆ 25th - Assessment Workshop (2:00pm & 6:30pm).....(NEW)
- ◆ 26th - ESF Orchestra Day (at KJS)
 - Year 6 Swimming
- ◆ 27th - PTA Pizza + Movie Party
 - PTA AGM
- ◆ 28th - Diwali Assembly
 - Y3 & Y4 Phase Assembly

November 2011

- ◆ 1st - Y1 and Y6 Immunization(NEW)
- ◆ 4th - 2J Class Assembly (9:00am)
- ◆ 7th to 11th - Year 6 Camp to HK Outward Bound
- ◆ 10th to 11th - Year 3 Camp to Sai Kung Outdoor Recreation Centre
- ◆ 14th to 16th - Year 4 Camp to Salvation Army Bradbury Camp
- ◆ 15th to 18th - Year 5 Camp to Lei Yue Mun Park & Holiday Village

Dear Parents,

It certainly has been a busy two weeks at BHS with typhoons and public holidays thrown in the mix to confuse us of when the actual weekend is. I hope you all enjoy your half term break commencing on Monday 17th October. School will resume at 8:45 am on Monday 24th October.

1) Green School Award

On Tuesday 27th September a group of children from the Green team were presented with the Hong Kong Green School Award at the Hong Kong Convention Centre. Only six schools in Hong Kong received this award and it is a real tribute to the children, families and staff at BHS who are committed to doing as much as they can to ensure that BHS is a green school.

2) Action from your BHS Teachers!

On Sunday November 6th a group of BHS teachers and Educational Assistants are taking part in a 10km charity walk for the Sowers Action Education Development Program in Hong Kong. This is a wonderful charity that supports children from impoverished areas in rural China who often need to walk 2 hours a day just to get to school. If you would like to sponsor the BHS team, please send in a small donation with cheques made payable to "Beacon Hill School". We will keep a tally in the school foyer to let you know how much we have raised. Please fill in the attached return slip with your donation. We have an active M.A.D. club at BHS that support many charities in Hong Kong and elsewhere. We thought it was time for us to show the children what we could do. For more information, please refer to the website http://www.challenging12hours.org/en_competition.html#c.

3) 5W Assembly

Today 5W shared with us all the amazing work they have been doing during their unit on Popular Cultures. It was great to see the depth of knowledge and confidence the children had. Well done to 5W and Mrs Westmacott.

4) Good luck to Mrs Fennelly and Mrs Pickering

Mrs Fennelly and Mrs Pickering commence their maternity leaves at the end of next week. We wish them both all the very best for the exciting and busy time ahead.

Yours sincerely,

John Brewster

Principal




Sowers Action Education Development Program

I wish to donate _____ (HKD) to support the Beacon Hill School staff team in the Sowers Action charity walk on Sunday, November 6th, 2011. Please complete the reply slip and return cheque made payable to "Beacon Hill School" by Friday November 4th, 2011.

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____



ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP

Please note that the Assessment workshop cancelled due to the typhoon last week has been re-scheduled for Tuesday 25th October at 2pm and again in the evening at 6.30pm.

Susan Chung
Vice Principal



Last year the MAD club and the BHS School Community helped the poor and disadvantaged children of Ulanbataar, Mongolia by donating clothes, shoes and blankets. We are doing the same again this year. We urgently need donations of clothes (maybe clothes that your children have grown out of, slippers, socks etc) and blankets. The temperatures in this region drops significantly during winter and the warm clothing and blankets we can donate help enormously.

If you are able to donate anything to help, please send in the items to school before half term. There are collection boxes in the foyer.

For the Dress Casual Day on 4th October, we have raised HKD 6821.20 and donated to Hong Kong Community Chest for charity purpose.

Many thanks for your support,
The MAD Club.

The Nutcracker Design Project: Dreams and Inspiration


Dear parents,

The Hong Kong Ballet is inviting students to submit an original piece of artwork based upon the interpretation of the **Nutcracker: 'Dreams and Inspiration'**.

Winning entries will receive complimentary tickets to the opening night of The Nutcracker and have his/her work showcased on the Hong Kong Ballet website. Other top entries will also have a chance to be viewed through the website, Facebook and at an exclusive exhibition.

Submission deadline is 31st October please see attachment on where and how to submit artwork and conditions of entry.

Good luck!
Ms Hamilton

 香港芭蕾舞團
HONG KONG BALLET
藝術總監: 區美滿 Artistic Director: Madeline Crine

THE NUTCRACKER DESIGN PROJECT

Be part of our 15th anniversary celebrations!

Here's How

Students can send us their interpretation of *The Nutcracker* – 'Dreams and Inspiration' artwork in 2D, A3 size using any medium including drawing, painting or photography. Either original artwork or digital files (JPG or PDF format) can be used for a successful entry.

Categories

1. Primary school students
2. Secondary school students
3. Open division

Prizes

The winner in each category will receive:

- a pair of tickets to the opening performance of *The Nutcracker* on 16 December 2011
- a framed award
- a Nutcracker figurine

Top entries will also have a chance to be viewed through our website, Facebook page, and an exclusive Nutcracker exhibition to take place during the production. Your school will be featured with any successful entry.

Submission

Send your entry with your name, school, age, grade, telephone number and email address to:

- nutcracker@hkballet.com (with the subject line: "The Nutcracker Design Project")
- by post to Marketing Department, The Hong Kong Ballet, G/F, 60 Blue Pool Road, Happy Valley (please write "The Nutcracker Design Project" on the envelope)

Deadline

31 October 2011 (Monday)

Enquiries:

For further information, please call 2105 9724 or email: nutcracker@hkballet.com

Terms and Conditions: Only one entry per person · The Hong Kong Ballet Management will select the winner in each category · Tickets are not refundable and cannot be exchanged for other performances · Winners will be notified individually · The Hong Kong Ballet reserves the right to make the final decision · Original artwork will not be returned · The Hong Kong Ballet reserves the right to use submitted artwork in any publicity · Staff and their families of The Hong Kong Ballet are not eligible to enter the competition.

ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE

We are a Hong Kong Green School!

On Tuesday 27th September, representatives from our Green Team (Aaditya Chand, Iris and Ida Tsui) were presented with our Green School Award by the Hong Kong Environmental Campaign Committee which we won during the last school year. 103 primary and secondary schools were assessed for the award but only 14 primary and 7 secondary schools were named as Hong Kong Green Schools.

There is a link below if you would like to read more about this.

<http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/201109/27/P201109270194.htm>



Well done

Beacon Hill School!



Meet Beacon Hill School's Green Team for 2011-2012

Susan King

Environment Co-ordinator





HEALTH



VACCINATION: Re-scheduled

Due to the fact that typhoon number 8 was hoisted on the 29 September 2011 and the school was closed, the re-scheduled date for this event **will be on the 1 November 2011**, Tuesday, for eligible Year One and Year Six students ONLY.



CHICKENPOX

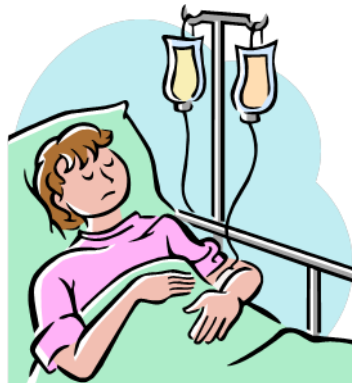
Just to keep you informed of the fact that a student is diagnosed with chickenpox. The child is resting at home and will return to school when fit to do so as advised by the doctor.

It is caused by the virus known as varicella zoster. It is extremely contagious. It is transmitted through direct contact with the infected person and through droplets. The child may experience the following symptoms:

- * Low grade fever.
- * Rash on the scalp and body.
- * The vesicles are itchy.

If you suspect that your child has chickenpox, please promptly confirm with the doctor. If confirmed, please return to school when fit to do so as advised by the doctor to prevent the spread of infection to others.

HEALTH

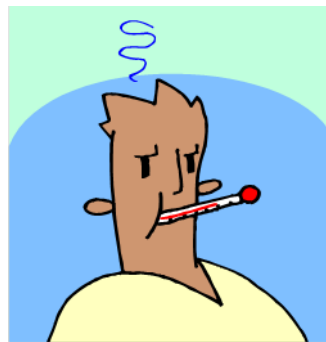


NOROVIRUS INFECTION

Also, to keep you informed of the fact that a student is diagnosed with Norovirus Infection.

Symptoms: nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain, low grade fever and malaise.

*If you suspect that your child has norovirus infection, please consult the doctor for confirmation of diagnosis. Please do not send your child to school until he / she has “fully recovered” or is fit to resume school as advised by the doctor.



UPPER RESPIRATORY TRACT INFECTION (URTI)

Prevention: To maintain strict personal and environmental hygiene.

Symptoms: Fever, cough, sore throat and runny nose.

*If your child develops the above named symptoms, please consult the doctor for prompt medical advice and treatment. Please do not send your child to school until he / she has “fully recovered” to prevent the spread of infection to other children and staff.

HEALTH

HAND, FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE (HFMD)

Just to let you know that a student is diagnosed with HFMD and is resting at home. The child will return to school when fit to do so as advised by the doctor.

It is a viral infection commonly seen in children.

Prevention: To maintain strict personal and environmental hygiene. *Always keep hands clean and wash hands “properly”.

Symptoms: Fever, sore throat, skin rash over the hands and feet, and mouth ulcers.

*If you suspect that your child has HFMD, please consult the doctor for confirmation of diagnosis. Please do not send your child to school until he / she is fit to do so as advised by the doctor.

Ms Chen

School Nurse





The Beacon Hill School Parent Teacher Association Ltd. Annual General Meeting will be held on **Thursday, October 27th at 4:30pm on the 7th floor Conference room**. Look forward to seeing you all there. If your child has already paid for the Movie and Pizza Party at 3:15pm on that day, please don't forget to advise the teachers and the bus company of alternative going home arrangements.

And finally, now the weather is becoming cooler, most of our Winter Uniform is in stock and ready for purchasing. Uniform shop hours during the school term dates are:

Monday – Friday from 8am – 11am

Should you have any further enquiries, please feel free to contact our PTA coordinator Mrs. Fanny Chan at 2337-8932 or email at pta@bhs.edu.hk.

Beacon Hill School PTA

Website: <http://www.beaconhill.edu.hk>

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TO ALL PARENTS

Notice is hereby given that the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the BEACON HILL SCHOOL PTA LIMITED will be held on **Thursday, October 27, 2011 at 4:30 p.m.** in the Conference Room on the 7th floor.

AGENDA

Apologies for absence.
Minutes of the 2010 AGM
Matters arising.
Chairman's Report
Treasurer's Report.
Principal's Report.
Election of New Committee.
Any Other Business.

Light refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Copies of the Minutes of the 2010 AGM will be available from the PTA Office from Oct 14, 2011. There will be a limited number of copies for collection at the door on the afternoon of the meeting.

We would be grateful if anyone having a matter to raise under "Any Other Business" would let us know by October 24, 2011 as this would enable us to gather any information required to answer your query.

A form is provided (overleaf) for nominations to the Committee. This should be countersigned by the nominee to indicate his/her acceptance of the nomination. Please note that according to our Constitution only fully paid members of the Beacon Hill School PTA Ltd. may serve as elected members of the Committee.

There is a movie and pizza party beginning at 3:15pm to 5pm on the same day. This will allow you to come for the AGM and then pickup your children after their party.

We look forward to seeing you all on October 27th.

Ms. Michelle Tsang
Chairman
Beacon Hill School PTA Ltd.

NOMINATION FORM FOR PTA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

I wish to nominate(name in CAPITALS please)
to serve on the Beacon Hill School PTA LTD. Executive Committee.

Name of proposer(Who is a paid PTA member.)

Signature of proposer

ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION

I (Name of nominee)

Accept the nomination to serve on the PTA Executive Committee.

I am a paid up PTA member.

Signature of nominee

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE PTA OFFICE MARKED FOR THE ATTENTION OF :

PTA COORDINATOR

BEACON HILL SCHOOL PTA LTD.

Thank you

If you would like to be joined the Executive Committee and do not have a proposer, please complete the "Acceptance of Nomination" section and return to the PTA Office. New member are always welcome.

Movie / Pizza Party

DATE : October 27, 2011 (Thursday)

TIME : 3:15 – 5:00 p.m.

PLACE : Beacon Hill School

FOOD : 2 Pieces Pizza and 1 Drink per set

PRICE : \$50.00 per set

**PARENTS NEED TO ADVISE THE TEACHERS
AND THE BUS COMPANY OF ALTERNATIVE
GO HOME ARRANGEMENT**

My child/ren _____ of class _____

can participate in the Movie/Pizza Party on October 27, 2011 at 3:15pm.

Enclosed please find \$ _____ covering the cost of _____ set(s) of Pizza/drink(s).

***We trust that you will come at 4:30pm. in order to attend the PTA
AGM, after which you can pick up your child.***

Permission is given for my child/ren _____ to be picked up by
_____ (name and relationship)

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY OCTOBER 14, 2010 (FRIDAY).

***** No money will be accepted on the day *****



In association with
the English Schools Foundation
英基學校協會協辦機構

Thank you for being part of our ESL language programmes this year. As a valued customer we would like to invite you take advantage of a special ESL promotion for our Football Programme at KGV, Ho Man Tin.

Every child who signs up with the attached leaflet will get a **10% Discount** off Football Classes at KGV starting anytime between 19th September – 14th October through to 17th December. Children can participate in either:-

- A 'Football Cubs' class for children aged 2- 4 years or a
- Beginners course (for children aged 5-6 years) or an
- Improvers course (children aged 7-8 year) or even a
- Advanced course (children 9 years upwards)

Classes are taught in English and all instructors are fully qualified. Studies have shown that there is a correlation between vigorous physical activity and higher grades in school-aged children. Children that routinely participate in exercise perform significantly better in school than children that do not.

For more information, please check our website <http://www.esf.org.hk>.

Kind regards,
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