

# Newsletter #15

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## PRINCIPAL'S WORDS

Dear Parents

It has been lovely having the whole school back together after our camp season and life at BHS is as busy as ever.

Congratulations to 2K for a fabulous assembly this morning all about ways in which we can reduce our waste. They shared how waste like plastic bottles, food packaging, plastic bags and straws end up in our landfill and how this is a problem because the landfill is almost full!

Taking inspiration from our students, we are making efforts to be more environmentally conscious. We have several events coming up which we would like our children to bring their own reusable containers from home.

**Pizza Lunches** - Bring own reusable plate or container from home.

**PTA Disco** - Bring own reusable cup and bowl from home for snack and drink.

**Christmas Parties** - Bring own reusable cup and bowl from home for snack and drink.

## **The Great Beacon Hill Bake Off is BACK!**

Our Great Beacon Hill Bake Off is BACK and will take place on Wednesday 12th December. To take part, you need to bake a cake / some cakes, cookies, gingerbread houses, mince pies etc at home which you are happy to donate and deliver them to school on the morning of 12th December when they will be judged. All of the cakes will then be on display and available for sale that evening at the Christmas Concert and the winner will be announced. Please make sure your entry is clearly labelled and any containers you send your cakes in have your child's name and class marked on them so we can return them to you.

Last Year's Winning Entry!



## **Wellbeing Focus**

On Friday 7th December, we will be hosting our first ever Student Wellbeing Day. On this day, all children should come to school wearing casual clothes in their House colours. The teachers and some EAs are leading a wide range of activities for the day with a focus on Keep Learning, Take Notice and Be Active. The children have chosen the activities they would like to do on this day. The aims of this day is for the children to:

- Challenge themselves to try new things
- Connect and make new friends
- Support each other
- Reflect on their wellbeing



## **Mandarin Mondays**

We have been reading stories from the famous Chinese novel “Journey to the West” in our Mandarin Club every Monday. Now you all know Monkey King is our hero and he has extraordinary powers. However, do you know where he came from? Who were his father and mother? Why is he so different from all other monkeys? Where did he live before he went on the Journey? And, how did he become the King? We have read stories about Monkey King’s amazing powers, his strong spirit, and his battles and fights against various monsters. But we have not read a story about himself. Well, this time, let’s find out who he is. So, come join us on Monday and find out all about Monkey King.

## **Uniform for the colder weather**

We have been extremely fortunate with the weather so far this November but now as the weather turns cooler please ensure that if vests or T-shirts are worn under the uniform they are not visible. We recognise that there is a delay in receiving the orders of proper BHS winter uniform so we understand if children need to wear other jumpers and jackets. Where possible, please ensure these are plain and dark coloured. If wearing their own jackets for P.E., please ensure that they are able to be fastened completely as flapping garments poses a health and safety risk for physical activities.

## **Festive Season**

The festive season is my favourite time of the year. I love admiring the decorations in the shopping malls and the sounds of Christmas Music but I especially love the chance to watch our very own BHS Chamber Choir perform

around HK. Here are the dates and venues for their performances in December:



ESF BEACON HILL SCHOOL

*Chamber*  
*Choir*

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

DECEMBER 2ND 3:00PM @ ELEMENTS  
DECEMBER 4TH 6:00PM @ PACIFIC PLACE  
DECEMBER 6TH 6:00PM @ PACIFIC PLACE  
DECEMBER 8TH 4:00PM @ TAIKOO CITYPLAZA  
DECEMBER 12TH 7:00PM @ BHS  
DECEMBER 14TH 2:00PM @ FESTIVAL WALK



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Our students will also be having their class parties in the final week and some

year groups may get a special visitor while others will be engaged in Secret Santa gift giving! Please note DCK lunches will be cancelled on your child's class party day.

**Tuesday 11th December** – Years 1, 2 and 3 Parties

**Wednesday 12th December** – Year 5 Party

**Thursday 13th December** – Year 4 & 6 Parties

### **CIS Preparatory Evaluation**

In March 2019, BHS will be hosting a preparatory visit from the Council of International Schools. They are an accrediting organisation who supports schools in their journey to continued excellence. As part of this process, I will need to gather views from our Parents, School Council, Staff and Students as to how appropriate our Vision and Mission is for the students we serve. I would be grateful if you could spare a few minutes to complete the google forms [linked here](#).

### **Student Achievement**

Ingrid Siu (4F) participated in the 4th Hong Kong Taekwondo ITF Championship competition on November 25 and got a Gold medal in girls sparring for her age group. This is her second sparring competition and she's very happy that she has improved tremendously. Good job Ingrid!



On November 14th, Madan Chhetri (5F) participated in the World TaeKwanDo

Poomsae Championship, the 2018 跆拳道品藝挑戰賽~速度王爭霸. He put in his best effort and won the Gold medal! Well done Madan!

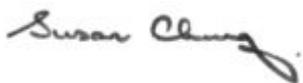


At BHS we value the importance of developing the 'whole' child and this means valuing their achievement and interests outside of school. If your child has achieved something special, we would be happy to share that with the BHS community through this newsletter. Please email details and a photograph to [kannis.tsui@bhs.edu.hk](mailto:kannis.tsui@bhs.edu.hk)

## **Important Dates**

<b>W/B 3 December</b>	<b>Tuesday 4th</b> - Year 2 Pizza Lunch <b>Wednesday 5th</b> - Sports for All DBIS <b>Thursday 6th</b> - PTA Disco for all Year Groups 3-4:45pm <b>Friday 7th</b> - 3M Class Assembly <b>Friday 7th</b> - BHS Wellbeing Day <b>Friday 7th</b> - Japanese Mother Tongue Language Group 2.15pm <b>Saturday 8th</b> - Choir Performing at Cityplaza 4pm
<b>W/B 10 December</b>	<b>Tuesday 11th</b> - 12:00pm Some Year 6s visiting JCSRS Christmas Show <b>Tuesday 11th</b> - Years 1, 2 and 3 Parties <b>Wednesday 12th</b> - Year 5 Party <b>Wednesday 12th</b> - BHS Christmas Concert 7pm (\$60 per ticket) <b>Thursday 13th</b> - Year 4 & 6 Parties <b>Friday 14th</b> - School Finishes at 12pm for the Christmas Holidays <b>Friday 14th</b> - Choir Performing at Festival Walk 2pm
<b>Christmas Break</b>	<b>Monday 17th December - Friday 4th January</b> School resumes <b>Monday 7th January</b>
<b>W/B 7 January</b>	<b>Thursday 10th</b> - Year 3 Trip to Tai O <b>Thursday 10th</b> - Parent Workshop - BHS Approach to Wellbeing 8:30am and 6pm <b>Friday 11th</b> - <b>HAPPINESS</b> House Day - Children in Happiness can come to school in casual clothes wearing something <b>Yellow</b> <b>Friday 11th</b> - Japanese Mother Tongue Language Group 2.15pm

Kind regards,



**Susan Chung**

**Acting Principal**



## Camp Season Ends

Please take some time this weekend to enjoy the photographs for camp and let your child talk about all their adventures, what new things they have learned, how they have developed more independence and what new challenges they may set themselves for next year's camp.

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Whilst we endeavoured to keep you updated on the camp adventures with photographs, our teachers' and instructors' main responsibility was to ensure our children were safe and getting the most out of the camp experience.

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## School Council

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Thank you for all the support we are having with our Impact HK Drive. As you can see, we have already made an excellent start to our collection. Please donate towels, tinned or dried food and adult clothing so we can support families in Hong Kong who are struggling with poverty.

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## Community Choir

This is open to all parents of BHS students and to BHS Staff. The choir will be

rehearsing on Thursday evenings from 7pm. We would hope to perform at the BHS Christmas Concert. No auditions or previous singing experience – just lots of enthusiasm needed!

If you are interested in joining, please click [HERE](#).

For existing members, click [HERE](#) for the audio files.

## SPORTS

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### Football Club Training Schedule

#### Boys Training Schedule

**Tuesday 4th December** - King's Park (this is also the last session for all students)

**Tuesday 11th December** - ESF Kowloon Tournament for selected students

#### Girls Training Schedule

All sessions will be held at Kowloon Tsai Park. 4.45pm pick up at school.

The last session will be **December 12th**.

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### HKPSSA Football Championship





On Saturday 24th November the school football team participated in the HKPSSA football championships. The team were drawn in the toughest group possible (with 4 of the teams going onto win their finals!). The team fought very hard in the group stage and made super tackles and never stopped running. Although we didn't win a game Mr Thompson and I were impressed with their tenacity, spirit and determination to never give up.

In the knockout stages the team produced the results they deserved with a great 2 nil win over Kowloon Junior with Rei scoring an absolute cracker! In the final of the medal competition we played Discovery College and it was a very tight game and once again our tenacity in never giving up paid off as we held on to draw nil all. This meant the game went to penalties and with all three of our penalties (Maxi, Ryan and Alfie) being expertly taken and Andy saving one we won the penalty shoot out 3-1. Well done to the players for their improvement throughout the day and thanks to the parents for their fantastic support. Click [HERE](#) for more photos.

## Results

BHS vs RCHK	0 - 2	
BHS vs GSIS	0 - 6	
BHS vs Kennedy	0 - 5	
BHS vs Bradbury	0 - 4	
<b>Medal Semi</b> BHS vs Kowloon Junior	2 - 0	Adrian, Rei
<b>Medal Final</b> BHS vs Discovery College	0 - 0	(3 - 1p)

**Tim Teahan**

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## **Kowloon Netball Tournament**



On Tuesday the 27th of November some of the girls from BHS participated in the Kowloon netball tournament at KJS. Our first match was against CWBS, we fought hard but sadly lost 3-5. Our second match was against RCHK and we beat them 3-1. Our next match was against DC and with great effort from all players we managed to beat them 8-2. For our fourth game we were against KJS, but unfortunately we lost 4-0. We were third in our group and went on to play against ICHK and won 3-2. This meant we finished 5th overall. Our star players of the tournaments were Rachel and Alicia. We would like to thank Ms Younie and Ms Andrews for coaching us and all the parents who came to support us.

**Clarice Yang 6Y**

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## **Kowloon West Table Tennis Competition**

We are looking for students who would be interested in playing as part of a BHS team for the Kowloon West Table Tennis Competition. If you are interested, please email [timothy.teahan@bhs.edu.hk](mailto:timothy.teahan@bhs.edu.hk) ASAP.

**Tim Teahan**

## **PTA NEWS**

### **Hot Lunches**

Deadline for December & January orders was **Tuesday 20 November**. DCK will no longer accept any orders as it's passed the deadline.

### **Pizza Lunch**

**Year 2** Pizza Lunch is on **Tuesday 4 December** and for **Year 3** it's on **Tuesday 29 January**. Deadline for order was Friday 23 November to enable sufficient time to process and cancel DCK lunch orders.

### **Uniforms**

We have had delivery of PE long pants, jackets and wind jackets. All backlogged orders of these items have been processed and sent to classroom. If you have not received these please email us. Note, **delivery of fleeces is still outstanding**.

We have now been told the fleeces will be delivered in December and will send them straight to classroom as soon as we receive them. Thank you for your patience.

If you wish to order, the winter order form can be downloaded from BHS website as per the following link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1Sf7CyHPuSuU3MJ9H4F83V4Tm60m7v0oFMMR6wd2oGEHmGQ/viewform>

To order, please fill in the form then your child can hand the cheque into reception. Upon receipt of cheque your order will be processed and sent direct to classroom. Please remember to write your child's name, class, contact number and Uniform on the back of the cheque.

## **Christmas Hamper Donations**

We need your help for donations to fill our Christmas hampers which will be raffled during the Christmas Concert.

Ideal Christmas Hamper items include :

- Chocolates, biscuits, pastries
- Candies, dried fruits
- Mince pies
- Health and beauty products
- Wine
- Honey

Please note, all items must be new and in their original packaging.

Please send them into PTA office as soon as possible.

## **Christmas Concert on Wednesday 12 December**

If you wish to purchase tickets please click on the eNotice and send in the cheque, tickets are \$60 each. Deadline for ordering is **Monday 3rd December**. Note, tickets will not be available to purchase at door and must be bought in advance. All performers will be given free pass into the event. Please remember to write your child's name, class, contact number and Xmas Concert on the back of the cheque.

## **Christmas Disco on Thursday 6th December**

Deadline for purchase of tickets has passed.

Please remember to bring **a small reusable cup and bowl** to the disco so that they can have their snack.

Disco and snack times will be staggered as follows:

3:15pm	Year 1-3 Snack and Drink on the playground and play or short movie	Year 4-6 Disco
4:00pm	Year 1-3 Disco	Year 4-6 Snack and Drink on the playground and play or short movie
4:45pm	End	End

### **Upcoming Events**

**4 December** Y2 Pizza Lunch

**6 December** Christmas Disco

**12 December** Christmas Concert

**29 January** Y3 Pizza Lunch

Have a great weekend.

Regards,

**BHS PTA**





# ESF HONG KONG RUN

1 km | 3 km | 10 km | School Relay

Hong Kong Science Park

26.1.2019

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