

Newsletter #15

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A MESSAGE FROM BRENDA

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Students,

Dress Happy Tomorrow - Friday!

A reminder that staff and children will be wearing dress casual tomorrow. The theme is 'dress happy' so children can wear any clothes that make them feel good. Please remind your child.

Fortnightly Updates for Parents

These will come out tomorrow.

Events before Xmas

We look forward to seeing the children at the PTA Disco and seeing you all at the Xmas Concert. Please read the PTA section of the newsletter for more details.

It's been absolutely wonderful having the children back in school learning and playing together. Have a great weekend.

Kind regards,



Brenda Cook

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Please find below important dates for your diary. These dates are more school-based rather than individual year group dates. More specific dates pertaining to your year group will be shared by your child's teacher as part of fortnightly updates.

Tuesday 12th November - Year 5 bake sale for all of the students

Tuesday 19th November-Friday 22nd November - Year 5 Camp

USEFUL FORMS

Medical Authorisation Form

Please click [HERE](#)

Student Withdrawal Form

Please click [HERE](#).

PTA Winter Uniform Order Form

Please click [HERE](#).

MEDICAL UPDATES

A set of Vaccination consent forms (DTaP-IPV) for Year 1 students & (dTap-IPV) for Year 6 students are given to your child/ren. Please check and return your child/ren's immunization record card if you decided to join the program. You may

also require to return the refusal form if you are not going to join. All forms and record card will be collected until 29 November 2019 (Friday).

The vaccination event will be held on **8 January 2020 (Wednesday)**, please reserve the date.

If you have any inquiry feel free to contact me.

Thank you.

Nurse Crystal

PTA NEWS

Christmas Disco - Friday 6th December 3-4:45pm

Thanks to all those who have signed up. Disco will be held in the school hall with snack and drink provided in the playground. Please remind your child to bring their own reusable cup and bowl to the disco so they can have their snack and drink which adults will serve. Note, deadline for ticket purchase has lapsed.

Christmas Concert - Wednesday 11th December 7pm

The school choirs will be performing their Christmas songs and carols in the playground. Festive mulled punch, drinks and cookies will be served. Tickets also include entry into our lucky draw for a chance to win one of our fabulous Christmas hampers. If you wish to purchase tickets please click onto the eNotice which was recently sent out. Note, deadline for ticket purchase is Friday 29th November. Tickets do not need to be purchased for performers as they will be given a free entry pass.

Christmas Hampers

An eNotice was recently sent out requesting donations for the Christmas Hampers. Your generosity is much appreciated. Please send in these items by Friday 29th November.

Uniforms

Winter Uniform is now on sale.

New navy tracksuit jacket and pants are in stock to replace items which are out of stock. Note, these are for the smaller sizes only as there is plenty of existing stock left in the larger sizes. We reiterate that the existing uniform is still to be worn this year and next. The new uniform will not come into effect until two years later in the new school year 2021-22.

If you wish to place an order please click on the link, fill in the form and hand in a cheque with you child's name, class, contact number and uniform written on the back. We shall send the order straight to classroom as soon as the cheque is received.

[Uniform Order Form \(Winter\) - CLICK HERE](#)

Hot Lunches

Deadline for December orders has lapsed and DCK will not accept any further orders for this month.

DCK have tentatively advised the January menu will be uploaded on 4 December with ordering period running through till 13 December. If you wish to order please login to your child's account at [DCK Lunch](#)

A reminder that lunch cancellations can only be made through email and must be sent out before 8:30am on the day required. Please email mealbox@deliciousck.com stating school name, student name, class and cancellation date(s).

Upcoming Events

November 29 - Deadline for Christmas Concert Ticket Purchase

December 6 - Christmas Disco (Deadline for ticket purchase has lapsed)

December 4-December 13 - DCK Lunch Order for January

Regards,

BHS PTA

AROUND BHS

Mandarin Monday

It seems that we have different interests amongst our Mandarin Club participants. Therefore, we have decided to run two different themes this coming Monday for upper and lower primary sessions. For our year 4-6 students, we would like to share another intriguing episode from the famous book, the Three Kingdoms. (三国演义). The story is about a battle without any fight or bloodshed. It is known as the Empty City Stratagem (空城计). How do you win a battle without any soldier, any weapon, but one person playing a traditional Chinese string instrument? Come to find out! For our little ones, the overwhelming majority voted for our beloved Journey to the West (西游记) series, so we will share another story from your favourite book. Who will be the main character this time in our story? Monkey King, the Piggy, or someone else? What happens in this episode? Come join us and we will find out.

Mandarin Club

Community Choir

Our BHS Community Choir has begun! This is open to all parents of BHS students, BHS staff, and alumni students and parents of BHS. 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, please click [HERE](#) for the audio clips.

STUDENT ACTION

Action in the PYP is when students are inspired through their learning and their experiences to make a difference to their lives or the community connected to real life issues and opportunities. We would like to celebrate our students taking action outside of school. If your child has taken any action, we would be happy to share that with the BHS community through this newsletter and through our Facebook page. Please email details and a photograph to kannis.tsui@bhs.edu.hk

November 10 – Fae Chui (5Y) took part in “Together We Care 2019”, visiting elderlies and low income families. Together with her SportsScene gymnastic coaches, she visited four elderly couples in Ta Kwu Ling, bringing them rice and some necessities. Ta Kwu Ling is located at the very North of Hong Kong, often experiencing the highest and lowest daily temperatures. The people Fae visited were, on average are over 80 years old, and most of them have been farmers from 60 years ago, supplying fresh chickens and vegetables to other districts. Now in their old age, they are facing the impact of change. The land owners started to sell the farmland to developers and the farmers could no longer make a living. Fae and her coaches were warmly welcomed by the elderlies. They put on their finest clothes and treated them to fruits and tea. Fae had a valuable experience chatting and listening to them. Before she left, they gave her some plants, and she planted them in the backyard as a memory of these good people. Well done Fae!



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

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 and through our Facebook page. Please email details and a photograph to kannis.tsui@bhs.edu.hk

November 10 - Jasmine Tin (5W) participated in the ISI Skate Hong Kong 2019 and she came second in her group. Well done Jasmine!



November 10 - Leah Chan (1L) participated in the Spartan Kids Race and it was her first time to take part in the race. It was a 3km long obstacle course race comprising of 10 obstacles such as mud and trail run, net climbing, slippery wall, low crawl, window jump, balance beam, etc. Spartan race is one of the most notable obstacle race event in the world. The kids race is held as an introductory obstacle race to children to encourage exercise. Leah overcame various physical challenges in the race which also involved much courage and determination. She earned a medal for her completion, but most importantly, she felt satisfied and enjoyed the event a lot. That's amazing Leah!





November 21 - Oscar Yip (5W) and Oliver Yip (3D) participated in the fifth Mandarin Alliance Speech Festival and received the first and the second runner ups respectively in the primary school year 3 and 4 category. Oscar participated for the 5th time and Oliver the 3rd time in the same annual competition. Well done boys!





November 23 - Thomas Pearson (2F), Nathan Yadav (2K), and Cesar Chan (2F) represented Kowloon Cricket Club Football team and participated in the HKJFL U7 Premiership Tournament. They played very well and had lots of fun. Nathan scored 2 goals, Thomas saved lots of shots as goalie and Cesar showed great skill in the mid field. Keep it up boys!



November 24 - Cesar Chan (2F) has just passed his Taekwondo blue belt exam.

He started Taekwondo 3 years ago. He has enjoyed it a lot and met many friends. This activity did help Cesar to build his self-confidence and show mutual respect with teammates. Keep it up Cesar!



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