



【 School Notices: A Letter to Makoponians (Excerpt) 】

【 For the reference of Native English-Speaking students & parents 】

**Message from the Principal**

**In 2018, different places in the world experienced different natural disasters. Hong Kong was also affected by the typhoon "Mangosteen" and experienced massive destruction. Japan and Indonesia were affected by typhoon, earthquake and tsunami recently. Let us pray for the victims of these areas, and hope that different Humanitarian aid can provide timely assistance.**

**Natural disasters are the power of the nature. Although our technology is improving, it still fails to fully resist the tremendous destructive power of nature. One of the functions of education is to enhance our cognitive ability, to protect ourselves and those around us before the danger comes. We need to take appropriate measures to avoid possible damage or loss. For examples, we should stay at home in bad weather and check the safety precautions beforehand.**

**After the natural disaster came the clearing of roads and paths, and repair work. As there was serious damage to some infrastructure, public hygiene and communication network would be adversely affected. The work of rescuing, communication and recovery sure is challenging. Therefore, it is vital that different aid organizations cooperate well. It reflects on the importance of giving a helping hand. So, it is worthwhile to understand more about Humanitarian aid. We must also cherish our environment, the opportunities for learning, and the various resources we have. We should be grateful to have every little thing, they may not always last.**

**Latest Notices (Excerpt):**

1. Home-school Association Committee Member Election

We would like to thank the parents for sparing their precious time and their contribution towards the Home-school Association. The election of the Home-school Association Committee Members of 2018/19 has been completed successfully. Please refer to the new committee member list printed in the Chinese version.

2. Lunch Ordering for October

The order form for lunch boxes for November will be distributed on 5/10 by the Tuck Shop, Teabox. The submission date will be 8-12/10. For enquiries, please contact the tuck shop at 2463 8218 or the Teabox Office at 2461 5536 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

3. "Balloon Fallout Fever" Game

The parents notice on the above event has been distributed today.

4. Ming Pao High School Student Admissions Expo 2018 (for S4 – S6 students)

Ming Pao held the "High School Students' Admissions Expo 2018", which provides students and parents the latest information on further studies. Also, it would include more about the skills of making decision for future path of the students. Details are as follow:

Date: 4-11-2018 (Sunday)

Time: 12:00 noon – 4:30 p.m.

Venue: Cordis Hotel, Hong Kong (formerly the Langham Place Hotel)  
555 Shanghai Street, Mongkok, Kowloon

Focus of the talk:

1. JUPAS Selection Strategy and Skills
2. Study abroad
3. Introduction to CUHK engineering Admissions
4. Exam skills of English Language and Mathematics

Interested parents and students, please sign up for the information day online (<http://link.mingpao.com/55594.htm>). Application is free; the deadline is 29/10 (Mon). For any enquiries, please contact Mr. Chan Ho Hin.

5. The 71st Hong Kong Schools Music Festival

The 71st Hong Kong Schools Music Festival is now open for application. If you would like to join the contest, please obtain the application forms on the bookshelf (B18) of Ms. Tam Yee Man starting from 26/9 (Wed). For details, please visit <http://www.hksmsa.org.hk>. Please submit the completed form with the application fees to Ms. Tam Yee Man on or before 5/10 (Fri).

For enquiries, please contact Ms. Tam Yee Man.

6. History activity

The 8th Inter-school Competition of Project Learning on Hong Kong's History and Culture held by The Hong Kong Institute for Promotion of Chinese Culture is now open for application. The theme this year is "Changes in Hong Kong Industries and People's Livelihood". There are Junior Division for F.1-F.3 Students and the Senior Division for F.4-F.6 Students. Students are welcome to join on or before 9/10. For enquiries, please contact Ms. Phong Man Mei.

7. Information Days for Local Universities

For enhancing prospective students' insight into university life, Information Days for DSE students will be held by the local universities. The details are as follows:

Institute	Date	Institute	Date
PolyU	6/10/2018 (Sat)	Hotel and Tourism Institute / Chinese Cuisine Training Institute / International Culinary Institute(Pok Fu Lam)	1-2/11/2018 (Thurs, Fri)
HKBU CityU	13/10/2018 (Sat)		
CUHK	20/10/2018 (Sat)	HKDI/IVE (Lee Wai Lee, Haking Wong, Morrison Hill, Sha Tin, Tsing Yi)	23-24/11/2018 (Fri, Sat)
EdUHK LingU	27/10/2018 (Sat)		
HKU	3/11/2018 (Sat)	IVE (Chai Wan, Kwai Chung, Kwun Tong, Tuen Mun)	30/11-1/12/2018 (Fri, Sat)

8. Students' Awards in Uniform Team Activities

For details, please refer to the Chinese version.

9. Arrangements for Uniform Tests

- (1) The 1st Uniform Tests will be held from 31/10- 2/11 (S.1 & S.2), 30/10- 2/11 (S.3) and 1/11- 2/11 (S.4 & S.5).
- (2) For sick leave application, parents have to report it to the school before 7:45a.m. At the same time, parents should contact the General Office for the arrangement of supplementary tests and provide an application letter and medical certificate the following day. Supplementary tests will not be organized for any reasons except health reasons. The calculation of supplementary test results will be further discussed by the Committee of Studies and the subject teachers.
- (3) For S.1-S.3 students, the results of Uniform Tests will be counted as 20% of the term results. For S.4 - S.5 students, their daily marks will be counted as 30% of the overall results and the weightage of the Uniform Tests results will be decided by the subject teachers.
- (4) During the test period, all students must attend school at the same time as normal school days. S.6 students will have the normal school schedule. Other students will leave the school after the tests.
- (5) The syllabus of each subject will be explained by the subject teachers in the lessons.
- (6) Students should prepare for the tests in advance. The detailed timetable of the tests is printed in the Chinese version.

Wish you all the best!

Yours faithfully

Dr. Yip Chi Sio  
Principal