## Kau Yan School (Kindergarten) School Year 2017-2018 Principal's Message (1)

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On 1 Sep, I was delighted to see K2 and K3 children coming to school with lots of energy. They were all very excited to share with teachers and friends about the joyful family moments that they have recorded with photos and text during the holiday. On the other hand, K1 children have familiarized themselves with class teachers after three days of adaptation and begin to follow class teachers to carry out various activities. As a result, teachers and children from different class years have started a new school year with happiness and laughter.

This year, we introduced a Lego wall on 1/F. Children can use colorful Lego pieces to build their image in mind. They will need to reorganize and adjust their perception of flat space in the building process. Therefore, it enhances their spatial perception.



Also, we transformed the language classrooms on G/F to "Story Book Workshop", "Wood Art Experience Room", and "Art Discovery Hall". Inside Story Book Workshop, children can learn about different knowledge about books and reading. For example, the theme for September is 'Author", through reading lots of books and names of authors, children start to establish a concept of "Every book written by one or more creator(s)". They also learn more about the Japanese author Tarō Gomi, feeling his cheerful, healthy, innocent, and humorous personality.



To allow children to adapt to learning in the new school year and focus on enjoying Story Book Workshop, "Wood Art Experience Room" and "Art Discovery Hall" will be open in October one after another. Children can establish concepts related to mathematics and art in these two rooms with first-hand experiences, such as perception of shape building, sizes comparison, measurement of 3-dimensional space, different artistic creation skills, etc. In addition, they can also develop safety consciousness and skills of operating timber, woodworking tools, art, and recycled materials. I believe parents would be excited to see that their children have dedicated creative time and learn from it.

Speaking of artistic creation, we have to talk about parents' creativity. Within one month, parents have encountered challenges of making Korean changgo drums and lanterns. From the items brought back by children, we can see that parents have put their minds on creating art pieces. They made changgo drums out of cup noodles and lanterns out of toy capsules or pomelo skins. These activities build up children's confidence and give them a chance to show off the masterpiece from their parents and give us many new ideas. Thank you, parents, for the support!



Mid-autumn festival is almost here. On behalf of all the staff in this reunion festival, we wish you a happy mid-autumn festival! May God's blessing be with you always.

Yours faithfully,

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