## Kau Yan School (Kindergarten Section) The year 2019-2020 Principal's Message (5)

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Dear Parents,

It is almost the end of the school year 2019-2020! We are reluctant to have this school year finish like this because we did not get to spend much time with the children.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, we are always worried about the learning and development of our children. However, children can adapt to the new routine within a few days after class resumption in June. Under our current curriculum that focuses on self-directed learning and character education, children can develop high adaptability and receiving ability toward new things. It builds up children's confidence and ability to cope with changes in the environment.



After a few projects and special activities, children gradually developed a selfdirected learning attitude. Not only can they obtain a wealth of knowledge in an active and pleasant learning atmosphere, but they can also establish good characters such as bravery, sharing, cooperation, and perseverance. Children will encounter difficulties and frustrations during explorations. They will gradually master learning methods by asking questions, discussing with peers, and keep trying. It helps them face different challenges.



We had an unusual school year. Starting from social movements to the emergence of the epidemic, we continue learning to adapt to new things. These things that are out of our cognition of daily life and unpredictable take effort to understand and adjust. Parents would experience extra pressure and worry about what the impacts are for their children. Therefore, we try our best to support the needs of parents and their children during this time.

While facing the changing environment, we need to have new arrangements for the curriculum and class divisions for the coming year. It is a new challenge for the school and our teachers. When facing changes, it is normal for us to feel complicated. However, we are willing to change to help them with the challenges. We have no control over most changes and have to face them ourselves in real life. It is the same for our children. Parents are their emotional support. However, children have to overcome challenges by themselves. Children have to leave their parents on their first K1 school day and deal with the new environment, teachers, and peers on their own. When they get to K3, they need to perform what they learn from their parents and teachers and overcome unfamiliar environments, other interviewees, and primary school staff during the primary school interviews. When they eventually get to primary school, no matter how much we love them, they will still need to overcome the challenges independently. Children may require some time to understand and adapt. The length of this period varies. Other than doing comprehensive preparation for them, it is more important for us to give them confidence, believe in their abilities, and support their every step. We should listen to them patiently and become children's psychological support. When we face changes with a joyful heart, children will naturally learn how to face changes. Each time they overcome challenges marks their growth in ability and character. Their horizons will be widened.



In the coming school year, there will be new challenges. We will try our best to listen to and support everyone in the Kau Yan family. I want to take this opportunity to send my best wishes to our graduates. I hope they can adapt to their primary school life with bravery and confidence. Also, I hope that they can continue learning with initiative and persistence, serve others with Jesus's love, and become kind and clever children. And for K1 and K2 children, I hope they have collected rich life experiences and be able to continue their happy learning life in September. May God's peace be will with you and your child!



Yours faithfully,

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