

**Kau Yan School
2018-2019
Principal's Message (3)**

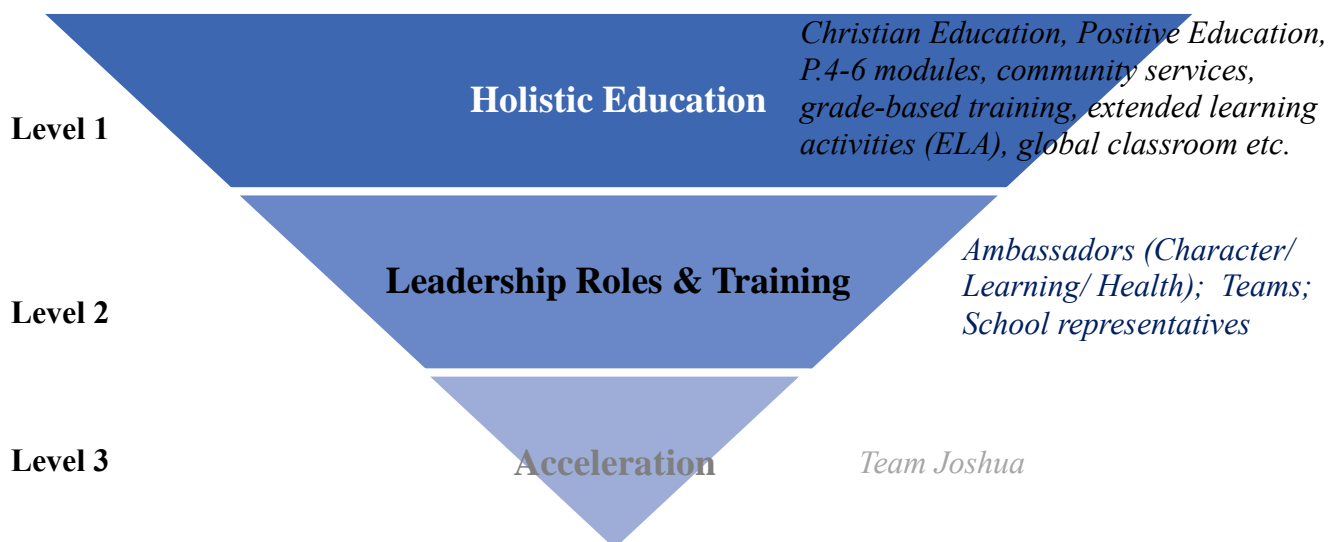
4 January 2019

Dear all parents,

*But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.
Isaiah 40:31*

Happy New Year 2019. May all members of Kau Yan School, including the P.1 2019-2020 parents and students, have a joyful and rewarding year of 2019 with God's promise and encouragement.

"As our society has become information rich, it has become action poor." sighed Kurt Hahn, the founder of Outward Bound and United World Colleges. We are however grateful to witness our Kau Yan School students' continuous actions manifested in the leadership training framework below.



All KYS students are entitled to participate in a wide spectrum of programmes at Level 1 Holistic Education. Apart from the P.5 community service module "Pay it Forward" and STEAM Education illustrated in Principal Message (2), P.4 will soon finish their module "Entrepreneurship". In November and December 2018, we celebrated the accomplishments of various ELA teams. For instance, our Athletic Team took Championship in Girls (B Grade) and Girls (C Grade), 3rd Runner-up in Boys (A Grade) and Boys (B Grade), and 19 individual/ relay medals in the Hong Kong Island West Inter-Primary School Competition. Meanwhile, our Swimming Team obtained 9 individual / relay medals and became 1st Runner-up in Boys (Grade A). In the Inter-Primary School Squash Competition, hip hip hooray to Mak Tsun Hei (6 Love) for his Championship in Boys (Grade A), and to the team for taking 2nd Runner-up in Boys (Grade A) and 3rd Runner up in Girls (Grades A, B and C). Moreover, our talented and



dedicated wind orchestra has won the Silver Award in the Symphonic Band Contest, 2018 Hong Kong Youth Music Interflows. A number of STEAM classes and teams took part in 5 territory-wide

competitions through which their creativity, intelligence and skills are nurtured. The Gospel Week on 18-21 December 2018 saw the seeds of God's grace sowed into our children's hearts as they engaged in a number of meaningful activities. We also celebrated the baptism of 11 family members (including that of kindergarten), students and alumni, and 2 transfers to Kau Yan Church.

Level 1 programmes also include a lot of meaningful experiences based on students' voluntary participation. On 20 October 2018, 150 parents and students of our school joined the fund-raising event of Hong Kong Rehabilitation Power to make a world record of 1000 people rope skipping in order to spread our positive spirit.



On 18 December 2018, our Senior Choir Team went Christmas caroling at Tsimshatsui to spread our God's love. Furthermore, 20 students, accompanied by 10 parent volunteers, will move beyond their comfort zone in the programme "Kau Yan Grit" to complete the grueling 100km course of Oxfam Trailwalker in 7 days. They successfully completed their first mission of 14.5km (6 hours) from Pak Tam Chung to Chui Tung



Au on 16 December 2018. What a nice hike they had been along the 140-million-year-old volcanic wonders in the Hong Kong UNESCO Global Geopark. In spite of sweat and tears, all members looked forward to continuing their journey on 8 January 2019.

Global classroom is another feature of Level 1 programmes. During the term break in November 2018, 30 students participated in the Giant Panda World Heritage Excursion to Wolong Nature Reserve, Sichuan in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture, China and the China Conservation and Research Centre for the Giant Panda. In terms of international exchange, in reciprocity to the Arctic Challenge 2018, a paleontological and geological expedition to Siberia last summer, a group of 5 Russian students came to Hong Kong for an ornithological study on 15-22 December 2018 (many migratory birds in Hong Kong come from Siberia, their hometown). The Russian buddies and one of the leaders stayed in 6 host families of KYS. In addition to having



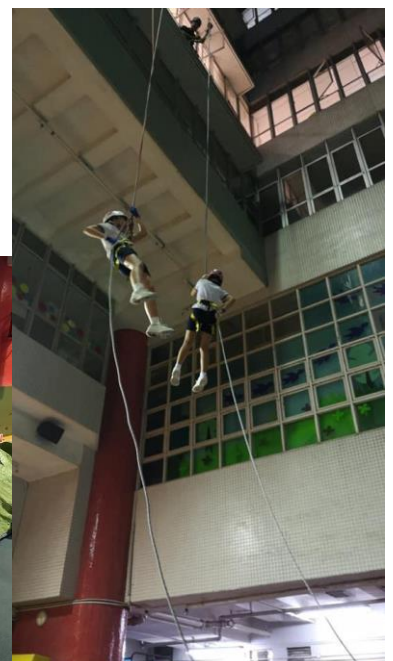
lessons together at school, both the Russian delegates and our students took part in various enrichment programmes conducted by HKU, Hong Kong Bird Watching Society and WWF. Dr. Pavlov, Principal of Sakha Junior Science Academy and our students who went to Siberia last year also conducted an assembly on paleontology and migratory birds for

P.5-6 students on 18 December. The exchange programme ended with the Christmas celebration on 22 December morning with a lively performance by the Russian students on their national cultures for our P.1-6 students. Earlier, on 6 November, a group of African children and leaders from Watoto Children Choir, Uganda, spent a whole day in our school on cultural exchange. They had regular lessons with our students in the morning, lunch meeting with our student leaders, and performances for all our students in the afternoon. Besides, our P.3 students had become pen pals with those of a school in Chile. I

was so touched to witness their excitement of receiving the second letter from their friends miles away when I sat in one of their English lessons. More exciting expeditions will be organised in Term 2 and the summer. Meanwhile, a more strategic and systematic planning of global classroom is being conducted. Parents will be consulted around March - April.

Level 2 programmes are provided for ALL P.5-6 students who act as different ambassadors on their choice. Specific and relevant

training has been provided for each group after the universal training in August. The first training for the Character Ambassadors was organised on 9-10 November. All 50 of them took part in a team building camp on our campus with various group games to develop their communication, collaboration and problem-solving skills, abseiling from 3/F to boost their confidence, and cooking competition to enrich life skills. Spending a night sleeping in (beside) our Kau Yan Church was definitely a life-time experience and even a special blessing. The Learning Ambassadors enjoyed a series of story-telling and presentation workshop conducted by Ms. Vivian Chung, the Chairlady of Reading Forest. With enhanced reading and presentation skills, they serve other students at every Monday lunch recess by sharing stories with schoolmates. They also organised the exchange of used books for school members. The Health



Ambassadors deepened their understanding of environmental conservation with a sharing by Mr. Lee Yat On Stanley, the Vice Chairman of Green Power, on waste treatment in Hong Kong and the world. They echoed by collecting, sorting and arranging the pick-up of used uniforms to reduce waste. All ambassadors, with different talents and contributions, are angels of the school indeed. The new ambassador team leaders for the second semester were elected by the whole school in December. Congratulations to the six new student leaders in Term 2.

Level 3 Team Joshua is an acceleration programme of leadership. *Iron Joshua*, special tours to develop persistence, attempting the Hong Kong record of “Hong Kong 4 Poles” recognized by the Hong Kong Mountaineering and Climbing Union, commenced on 14-15



December 2018. 30 students and 4 teachers reached Peaked Hill, the westernmost point of Hong Kong. What an extra-ordinary experience of camping at Nga Ying Kok Campsite, watching Geminid meteor shower together and reaching an untouched area for a Hong Kong record. They are ready for the journey to the second pole, Lin Ma Hang, the Hong Kong northernmost point on 19 January. They also have intellectual exercise through the *Intellectual Joshua* by meeting some outliers in order to widen their horizon. Special lunch meetings with Mr. Louis Chan, Managing Director, BNP Paribas (HK), former Executive Director of Credit Suisse and Mr. Allen Fung Ying-lun, Political Assistant to the Secretary for Development, former Vice-President (External), The Hong Kong University Students' Union were organised on 7 November 2018 and



5 December 2018 respectively. Our students not only learned from the guests' sharing but also prepared challenging questions for deeper exchange. The dialogue was very interesting and inspiring. The energetic team is going to meet other exceptional persons, for instance, medical doctor, lawyer, CEO and athlete in coming months.

All the programmes mentioned above could not be organised so successfully without the support of our parents, colleagues and like-minded personnel. In order to escalate the communication with parents who are our valuable partner, three Parent Forums will be conducted in January, March and May on different themes. Please refer to the details on the school circular issued on 7 December 2018. Some more parent consultation sessions on various school issues will be conducted in Term 2.

Last but never the least, please continue to pray for our P.6 students in the S1 application process. May God prepare the schools that suit their individual needs.

With heartfelt gratitude for the year 2018, we continue to seek faith, hope and love from our Lord for 2019. Wish you all a prosperous year ahead.

Mr. P

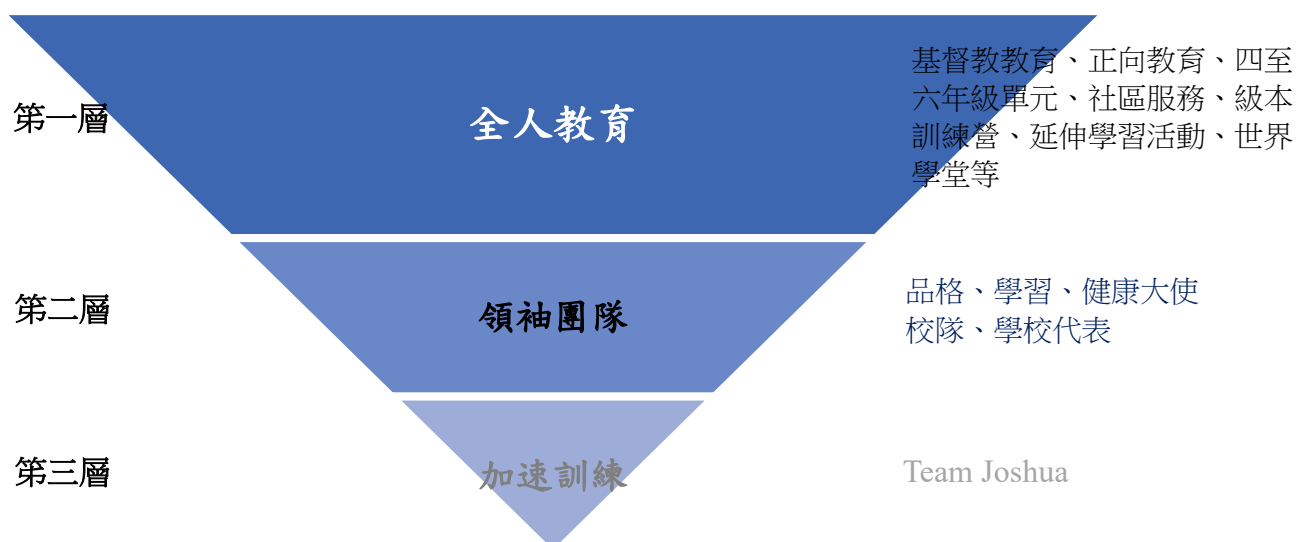
救恩學校
2018-2019 年度
校長來信 (三)

親愛的家長：

但那等候耶和華的必重新得力。他們必如鷹展翅上騰；他們奔跑卻不困倦，行走卻不疲乏。
以賽亞書 40:31

新年快樂！祝願所有救恩學校的同學、家長和教職員 (包括 2019-2020 年的小一學生及家長)，以上主給我們寶貴的應許迎接 2019 年。

外展訓練學校和聯合世界書院創辦人柯漢博士 (Kurt Hahn) 曾慨嘆道：「現今社會資訊發達，行動卻欠奉！」感恩看到救恩學校的學生卻相反，他們以鏗而不捨的行動，經歷以下領袖訓練架構裏的各樣活動：



所有的救恩同學都會經歷第一層 (全人教育) 多項探索課程。除了在早前校長來信 (2) 提及的小五「讓愛傳出去」社區服務單元和 STEAM 教育之外，小四同學快將完成「小小企業家」單元。我們也熱切慶賀過去數月裏，同學在延伸活動方面的成就：田徑隊在香港西區校際比賽中奪取了女子乙組和丙組冠軍、男子甲組和乙組殿軍，以及 19 項個人或接力獎牌；游泳隊也奪得男子甲組亞軍和九項個人或接力獎項。另外，香港小學學界壁球賽中，六愛班麥浚熙同學勇奪男子甲組個人冠軍，其他隊員則獲得團體男子甲組季軍和女子甲、乙、丙組殿軍。此外，本校管樂團在香港小學校際管樂比賽 2018 榮獲銀獎。而我們還有不同的 STEAM 課程和隊伍，現正在全港五項比賽之中，充分發揮他們的創意、智能和不同的能力。福音週於 12 月 18-21 日順利舉行，同學積極參與多項活動，讓福音的種子植根孩子的心中；我們熱烈祝



賀十一位學生、家庭成員 (包括幼稚園部)、舊生受浸，以及兩位轉會到救恩堂。

第一層領袖培訓亦包括多項以學生自由報名參加的活動。於 10 月 20 日，150 位家長和同學參加了為香港復康力量籌款的千人跳繩，締造了世界紀錄，宣揚共融和關懷傷健的精神，發揮正能量。於 12 月 18 日，高級歌詠團於尖沙咀報佳音，宣揚主的愛。此外，20 位同學，由 10 位家長義工陪同，走出他們的安舒區，參加了「救恩毅恆一毅行」，以 7 日時間走畢毅行者全程 100 公里。於 12 月 16 日，他們成功完成第一次艱苦路程，以 6 小時走過北潭涌至吹風坳一段，全程 14.5 公里，更走過一億四千萬年前活躍火山帶的香港聯合國教科文組織世界地質公園。各成員揮灑汗水與淚水，鼓動堅毅為動力，積極準備於 1 月 8 日繼續勇往直前。



「世界學堂」是第一層全人教育中的一個元素。於 11 月上學期小休期間，30 位同學造訪四川臥龍大熊貓繁育研究基地，在國家農業部和科學家指導下認識和照顧大熊貓。至於國際交流方面，繼暑假遠赴西伯利亞探索古生物和地質之後，5 位俄羅斯學生於 12 月 15-22 日抵港，作季候鳥和濕地專題研習（因為香港不少季候鳥來自他們的家鄉—西伯利亞）。五位同學和其中一位導師住在我們的寄住家庭，俄羅斯同學和救恩同學結伴上課，還一起參與一系列由香港大學、香港觀鳥會和世界自然基金會舉辦的探究活動。另外，俄羅斯薩克青年科學院院長 Dr. Pavlov 和去年遠赴西伯利亞的救恩同學，於 12 月 18 日的週會，為五至六年級同學介紹了西伯利亞古生物和季候鳥。於 21 日早上的聖誕聯歡，五



位俄羅斯同學以民族表演為在港舉行的「俄羅斯·香港交流活動」畫上完美句號。除此之外，於 11 月 6 日，一群來自非洲烏干達 Watoto 兒童合唱團到本校交流了一整天，他們早上和



我們的同學結伴上課，午膳時與我們的學生領袖交流，下午於週會表演。另外，我們也為三年級同學與智利一所學校結為筆友，在偶然一次觀課的時候，我目睹同學們收到對方第二次來信時，雀躍萬分的情境。學校將於下學期和暑假舉辦更多國際交流活動，現正作更具系統化的規劃，並將於 3 月至 4 月期間諮詢家長。



我們為所有五至六年級同學籌劃第二層領袖團隊培訓。每位同學皆自選為學校不同範疇的大使，並於去年八月已進行簡介會和初步訓練，並於第一學期展開相關的體驗活動。12 月 9-10 日，我們為品格大使舉辦了兩日一夜的訓練營。50 位品格大使於校內露營，以及進行一

系列的團隊訓練，包括提升溝通、協作和解難能力的團隊活動、增強自信心的遊繩下降和增潤生活技能的烹飪比賽。於學校操場紮營，住在主的殿是何等的福氣呢！我們也為學習大使邀請了「閱讀森林」的主席鍾小姐，進行一系列的故事演說工作坊，學習大使們不但提升了閱讀和表達能力，於每個星期一午飯小息為同學們分享故事，他們還為全校同學安排換舊書的活動，鼓勵學弟妹閱讀。至於健康大使，為了提升他們對環境保育的認識，我們邀請了「綠色力量」副主席李達安先生蒞臨本校，為他們分享香港和世界各地的廢物處理。分享會後，健康大使們以行動積極回應，他們收集舊校服，並進行分類，安排家長自行索取，以減少浪費。所有大使以不同的才幹貢獻本校，實為本校



的天使！已於 12 月以一人一票形式選出第二學期的大使領袖，在此恭賀六位新任的大使隊長。

第三層領袖培訓 Team Joshua 是一個進階訓練。Iron Joshua 訓練系列培育堅毅精神。本年度將締造由香港攀山及攀登總會認可的香港紀錄：「香港全景行紀錄：香港四極」。活動於 12 月 14-15



日展開，30 位同學和四位老師順利踏足香港最西點——雞翼角。14 日下午在大澳附近牙鷹角營地紮營，晚上有幸一起觀看雙子座流星雨，15 日早上水退的時候，抵達香港最西點。我們熱切期待 1 月 19 日的第二擊：香港北極——蓮麻坑。Intellectual Joshua 訓練系列擴闊同學視野，每月與傑出人士交流。本校誠邀法國巴黎銀行董事總經理陳偉茂先生，以及發展局政治助理、前香港大學學生會外務副主席馮英倫先生，分別於 11 月 7 日和 12 月 5 日蒞



臨本校。同學們不但從他們的分享中獲益良多，還預備了尖銳問題和嘉賓交流，對話極具啟發性。此外，同學們將於一月至四月跟醫生、律師、前上市公司主席和香港運動員作交流。

沒有家長們的支持，以上所有活動皆不能順利舉行。為了進一步加強與家長的溝通，本校將於 1 月、3 月和 5 月舉行以不同主題的家長論壇，詳情請細閱 2018 年 12 月 7 日所發的通告；我們並將於第二學期舉辦更多家長諮詢活動。

最後，請大家繼續為六年級同學升中禱告，願神為他們安排合適的學校。

懷著感恩的心細味過去的 2018 年，我們繼續心存主的信、望、愛，仰望 2019 年。祝大家新的一年碩果纍纍。

Mr. P

2019 年 1 月 4 日