Kau Yan School 2018-2019 Principal's Message (6)

9 August 2019

Dear all parents,

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord.

Psalm 150:6 (the last verse of Psalm)

Breath, as a grace from God, is always overlooked. Thanks our parents for the warmest regards since I was discharged from hospital just before our Annual Concert. When I witnessed my heart beats and blood pumping through the heart valve in the heart ultrasound scan, and when I clearly heard my heart beating via the earphone in the cardiac MRI at the hospital, the verse above flashed in my mind. I was convinced to live and serve for Him whenever I have breath.

A heart-felt appreciation should be given to all our parents who have given us valuable and sincere comments and feedback via the parent survey which hasn't been introduced for 8 years and the parent meeting on 11 July. All comments are being analysed and followed up. The improved practices such as positive education, transparency of curriculum, pedagogical improvement, pastoral care, home-school communication, consistency of implementation, Christian values, equity of students' participation and development, and many other aspects are being discussed and formulated. The improved practices will be shared in the Principal's Message 1 of the new school year and the Parents Evening on 12 September. Apart from the comments provided, a great number of parents have been involved in volunteering in a wide spectrum of school activities. The appreciation dinner for parent volunteers was successfully held on 14 June, which witnessed the endless support of our parents.

We express our warm gratitude to all graduates and their parents who walked through their primary school journey with us in God. It was so touching to witness every graduate to receive his or her graduation certificate with joy at the Graduation Ceremony on 5 July. All participants will never forget the finale song and flowers dedicated for parents. We wish every graduate future endeavors.

Teachers' professional development has been highlighted in our school for the past decade. A great number of caring, professional and passionate teachers have been serving in our school. All senior teachers will continue to dedicate in the new school year. Ms. Wendy Lau will change back to full-time and act as our English Panel Chairlady while Mr. John Lo, our Math Consultant, will devote more time with us for school-based curriculum development. We welcome the return of Mr. Ko Yan Chun, too. However, we are reluctant to see some teachers leaving us for a variety of reasons, ranging from changing work environment, altering occupation, family tie, taking a rest, to career advancement. They include Leo Cheng, Noel Yeung, Ching-yee Lee, Pinky Yim, Jeff Wong, Jonathan Choi, Janice Tam, Claire Chan, Ritchie Wong, Man-yuk Tiu, Amy Lai and Andy Chan. Their contribution and dedication in the past years with us are greatly appreciated and treasured. We firmly believe that they will continue to shed the light in their new environment as the blessings of our society. With God's grace, we have already recruited the team of competent, passionate and caring teachers who share the vision of KYS with the right heart of ministry.

It is an amazing destiny in God to meet each other in a sea of faces. We have one heart and one goal, which is to walk with our next generation in His footprint. Let's join hands to make a better future together when we are still breathing.

救恩學校 2018-2019 年度 校長來信(六)

親愛的家長:

凡有氣息的都要讚美耶和華!你們要讚美耶和華! 詩篇 150:6 (詩篇最末一節)

氣息(呼吸),確是一個常被忽略的恩典。在周年音樂會前,身體出現問題。在留院接受心臟超聲波檢查期間,目睹血液在血管流通,在磁力共振檢驗中,細聽自己的心跳時,心中泛起以上的經文,我也確定只要有一口氣,我也要為主而活。在這裏,我衷心感謝家長們對我的關心和問候。

過往八年未做過家長問卷了,多謝各位家長在問卷和7月11日家長座談會中,給予學校寶貴的意見,我們在暑假中也不斷反思和跟進。在正向教育、課程透明度、教學法、關愛文化、家校溝通、執行一致性、福音工作、同學均等參與、平衡發展等多方面,深入規劃將來。有關具體措施將於新學年的校長來信及9月12日家長晚會分享。除了家長們給我們寶貴的意見外,十分感恩有很多家長投入協助學校多種的活動,6月14日「感恩有你」晚會也見證著家長們無私的付出。

我們也為畢業生感恩,感謝家長和畢業同學在主裏和我們渡過小學階段,看見每一位畢業同學歡欣地接過畢業證書,確是十分感動。更難得的是他們在最後大合唱,並送 花感謝父母養育之恩,大家也和我一樣泛起淚光,每一位孩子真的長大了,在此祝願所 有畢業生前程萬里。

救恩學校再過去十年著重教師專業發展,蒙恩有著一群具愛心及專業的老師在救恩學校委身。來年欣喜所有主任們繼續留任;劉映汝老師轉回全職,並擔任英文科科主任;數學科顧問盧賢巨老師更撥出更多時間服務學校,完善校本課程;我們亦歡迎回流的高恩雋老師。 與此同時,我們懷着依依不捨的心情祝福離職的老師。他們離任原因各異,包括轉換新的工作環境、轉換職業、作全職家庭主婦或稍作休息,他們包括鄭少安老師、楊雪瑩老師、李靜儀老師、嚴麗新老師、汪聞老師、蔡勝東老師、譚詠儀老師、陳桂英老師、黃力致老師、刁文玉老師、賴詠琴老師和陳家輝老師。在此衷心感謝他們過去的付出,他們教學認真、愛護同學、具責任感和富創意,我們確信他們將延續救恩的精神,在新的環境裏成為社會的祝福。 我們亦慶幸藉著主的恩典, 歡迎一群具能力、熱誠和有愛心的老師加入救恩大家庭,他們不但認同救恩的理念, 還有懷著熱心事奉的心志。

在茫茫人海相遇確是一種緣份,我們懷著同一心志、同一目標:就是跟隨主的腳蹤 和我們下一代同行。就讓我們攜手趁著我們還有氣息的時候努力面前。

Dr. P