



From the Acting Principal's Desk

The last two weeks were incredibly busy. Within one week, we had a talk for Form Three parents on 15th November about choice of DSE subjects, two sports days and a Form One admissions briefing session on 22nd November. The Form 1 admission talk was successfully and our school hall was packed with prospective parents. The PowerPoint slides have been uploaded onto our web page for anyone who is interested in knowing more about the talk.



Teachers are already hard at work setting exam papers for the mid-year examination and they should soon be ready. Students will be getting information about the examination syllabuses and examination timetable shortly. These of course are reminders for students to start their revision as soon as possible. Besides setting papers, the Chinese and English teachers are coaching students for the Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival which has begun. The English Department is also celebrating the English-thanksgiving week with food, English activities and fun games. We hope students can understand that there is always something that we can thank God for - something that our Form 3 students should have learnt after watching the film *My Voice, My Life*.

The next two weeks are also packed with engagements with our Primary 6 parents and students visiting us on 28th November, the Boy Scouts' Swearing-In Ceremony, Alumni Choir CD launch, fund-raising dinner on 29th November and the Alumni Choir performing in the Advent service at St. Paul's Church on 30th November.

From the Chaplain



We were delighted to have the Archbishop of Hong Kong (and Bishop of the Diocese of Hong Kong) the Most Revd. Dr. Paul Kwong speak at our Assembly on the 12th November.

Our theme for that week was about "Peace." The Archbishop spoke about how we can achieve peace and told of a man who had begun his life by praying to change the world. Later on in his life and not succeeding, he altered his prayer to one asking to change those around him: his friends and family. At the end of his life and still not having his prayers fulfilled he realised that he had wasted an opportunity throughout his life because he needed to begin by praying to change himself.

At a time in the life of Hong Kong with such divided opinions, it is worth remembering that real change begins from within. Fundamental to that change is the role of education. Malala Yousafzai, the 17 year old girl from Pakistan who was shot two years ago on her way to school and is now the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize said: "Let us pick up our books and our pens, they are the most powerful weapons. One child, one teacher, one book and one pen can change the world."

From the Music Office

Music Scholarship

St. Paul's College offers two kinds of music scholarship schemes: 1) a 6-year scholarship to primary 6 students who are admitted to Form 1, and 2) a 1-year scholarship to Form 1 to Form 6 students through internal application. This scholarship is awarded based on their performance in audition, participation in music activities and contribution to the school.

This year, two Form 1 students were awarded the 6-year scholarship. As for the 1-year scholarship, the department received 19 applications from Form 1 and Form 6 students. Over the past two weeks, those candidates were busy with their preparation for the audition. They played various instruments: piano, violin, viola, cello, flute, clarinet, horn, dizi and voice at the audition. The standard of their performance was very high and the judging panel had a difficult job choosing the winners of the scholarships. The results will be announced later this month.

Announcement

The St. Pauls' College Alumni Choir will launch their first CD on 29th November 2014. The Alumni Choir recorded a set of songs which were winning songs in the Hong Kong Schools Music Festival over the years. To mark the occasion, the Alumni Choir will have a mini concert at St. Paul's Primary School on the date of the launch. The Alumni Choir will also perform in the 11:00 am service at St. Paul's Church on the following day. Once again, it will be a great chance to enjoy the winning songs sung by the Alumni Choir.



From the OLE Master

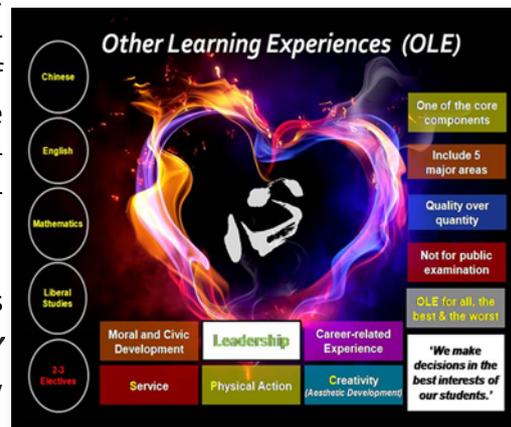
Last Saturday, our school hall was overwhelmed with hundreds of parents and students who attended the *Talk on Choice of Subjects at Senior Secondary Level*. Some HODs and subject teachers introduced the core curriculum and co-curricular activities to the F.3 parents and students. On behalf of the OLE Team, I also gave a short speech to highlight how Other Learning Experiences (OLE) work at St. Paul's College and what the latest trends of OLE and SLP for JUPAS are all about. The occasion did not belong to the F.3 parents and students alone, but also many others. To recap the highlights, you are strongly encouraged to visit the college website and download the related files for reference.

The majority of F.4 students are working on their service learning projects at full throttle. Some service and leadership events such as *童聲 SAY YES!*, *Retina Hong Kong Flag Day* and *Lions' Elderly Camp* have already come to an end. Nonetheless, those who have not yet engaged themselves in any OLE programme can consider the following activities:

1. *Adventure-based Leadership Training Course Organising Committee*
2. *Flying Youth Leadership Training Programme*
3. *"Master of Ceremony" Training Project*
4. *Young Friends of Hong Kong Arts Festival 2015*

Students who have joined the service learning project organised by Caritas Mok Cheung Shui Kun Community Centre are reminded to attend the first training workshop on Monday, 24th November, 2014.

Our maiden attempt to nominate student leaders to join the Hong Kong Outstanding Students Award has proved effective. We have Tristan Lau and Herman Ho, both in Form 5E, enlisted for the boot camp after the first round of written assessment. They are one of the top 50 candidates at the moment. Our hopes are in Tristan and Herman becoming the outstanding few in the last round. Last but not least, St. Paul's College is joining the Heart to Heart School Project again in 2014-2015. We pledge to organize volunteer activities of 2,000+ hours a year. Your support will definitely make it happen. For details, please visit the OLE website at <http://olespc.sh>



From the Careers Master

University Information Days

Saturday, 22nd November, is the Information Day for the Hang Seng Management College. Students in senior forms are encouraged to visit the campus to learn more about the programmes. The newly launched Study Subsidy Scheme for Designated Professions/Sectors (SSSDP) is one of the highlights in the coming intake of post-16 tertiary students, so please be aware of these changes.

Careers and Guidance Lessons for F.4 and F.5

The second leg of Careers and Guidance Lessons (CGL) for Form Four is in progress. It is hopeful that students learn more about themselves in the self-discovery process. All the three senior year levels are benefitting from CGL in the current academic year.

The Form Five Careers and Guidance Lessons resumed on 18th Nov 2014 (Tuesday). Two seminars on JUPAS strategies have been designed: i) Dropping or not Dropping an Elective, and ii) Maximizing Opportunities. The talks will be held in the School Hall Balcony.

Upcoming Education Fairs and Visits

The visit to Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) is scheduled on 28th November 2014 (Fri). A Professorial Site Workshop on Visual Arts will be run for students to learn more about studying in SCAD. All students are invited to attend.

The Canada Education Fair 2014 will be held on 29 – 30 November 2014 (Sat and Sun) from 12 noon to 5 pm at Regal Hong Kong Hotel in Causeway Bay. Interested students can register accordingly.

'Seminar on Study in Japan 2014' hosted by Hong Kong Association of Careers Masters and Guidance Masters will be held on 1st December 2014 (Mon) from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm at The Japan Society of Hong Kong, Japanese Language Course, 1st Floor, Fung House, 19-20 Connaught Road, Central, Hong Kong.

Careers Talks at SPC

We are grateful to have had Dr. Hong K. Lo, the Chair Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, HKUST, to share with us the road to be an engineer on 12th November 2014 (Wed). The photos of the talk can be accessed on the St. Paul's College Careers Programmes Facebook page. In the previous week, we welcomed medical doctors Dr. Clarence Cheung and Dr. Danny Cho to speak about careers in the medical field to a group of interested students in the 'Lunchtime with the Mentors' Series.

The UST lunch talk on its Global China Studies program will be held on 25th November 2014 (Tuesday). Details of registration can be found in the College library.

Mr. Yu Kin Keung, Edward (1993 - 1994 SA President; currently Principal Assistant Secretary for Commerce & Economic Development) will give a careers talk on government on 11th December 2014 (Thursday).



Christmas Highlights

17th December 2014 (Wed) will be our annual Mentorship Christmas Festivities night at the Harold Smythe Room of St. John's Cathedral from 7:30-9:30 p.m.. We are delighted to have Father Philip and our Alumni Choir coming to support the function.

From the Sports Master

Congratulations!! More good news from our sportsmen:

(a) **Fencing Team - Inter-school Fencing Competition**

Individual Competition

- a. Leung Yin Kei (1E) - 2nd in C grade Foil
- b. Yip Lai Hei (2B) - 3rd in C grade Foil
- c. Lai Long Hang (5C) - 3rd in A grade Sabre

Team Competition

Sabre Team - 4th

(b) **Cross country Team**

Inter-school Cross-country Competition

- a. Kwan Chris Chung Hang (3B) - 3rd
- b. A grade Team - 4th
- c. Overall - 2nd

HKAAA Hong Kong Cross-country Competition

Overall : 3rd

The annual sports days were successfully held on 17th November, 2014 and 21st November, 2014 at the Wan Chai sports ground. The College would like to thank Ms Terese Wong, our College Council member, for being our guest of honour to present medals

and trophies for our winning athletes.



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