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PIPS News

A Bi-Monthly Newsletter

Dear Parents,

I would like to start my part with thanking all the parents who came for our Chinese New Year Celebration on the 14th of February. I believe that we all agree that the children did great performances, considering they were out of school for more than two weeks. The lion dance with a twist of "Three Little Pigs" was a success amongst the children and their parents.

The past two months have been busy at our Parkview campus. The children have been occupied with their units of inquiry, whilst teachers started to plan for the next academic year. On the 18th of January, teachers from both campuses worked collaboratively to plan a new Program of Inquiry which is concept based and age appropriate. The new Program of Inquiry will be shared with the parents at a later stage to seek their thoughts and feedbacks.

During the first term, we held Coffee Mornings for different levels. These meetings provided a perfect platform for us to learn more about parents' expectations and their feedbacks. There will be more Coffee mornings held in the upcoming months, which the dates were communicated last week.



Nursery Extended Programme

PIPS is pleased to inform you our Nursery Extended Programme is continuing to expand. The three hours extended programme, three or five times a week, continue to provide an opportunity for children to develop in literacy (English / Putonghua) and to participate in different extra-curriculars including Visual Art, Kids Table, Music Theatre, Mindfulness, etc.

This term, for the first time, PIPS started a cooperation with the Parkview Clubhouse. We are able to offer tennis class for our children as an extra-curricular activity without extra cost. For more information, or to sign up for the programme, please contact the school office.









March:

5th - 6th: School Photo Day

7th: World Book Day

11th: Professional Development Day

(All classes suspended)

15th: Student Led Conference

April:

5th: Ching Ming Festival, No School

18th: Spring Celebration

19th: April to 3rd May -

Spring Break

Yearbook 2018-2019 Sponsorship



The 2018-2019 Yearbook for PIPS is underway! We produce yearbooks every year and these are a huge success with children, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. It is also a good souvenir for you and your child of your time at PIPS.

In previous years, through the generous sponsorship of parents, we were able to subsidise the cost of the yearbook and our intention is to do the same this year. All sponsors will be recognised individually by name, as an acknowledgement of their generosity.

More information is on the order form available at the School Office.

School Photo 2018-2019

School Photo 2018-2019 will take place on Tuesday, 5th March and Wednesday, 6th March this year. The tentative time table for each class is as follow:

	Tuesday (5th March)	Wednesday (6th March)
8:30-9:00	Family Portraits	
9:00-9:30	PN 1	Under 2s - Green
9:30-10:00	Under 2s - Orange	N1
10:00-10:30	PN 3	N3
10:30-11:00	PN 5	Under 2s - Violet
11:00-11:30	Under 2s - Blue	LKP Uniform
11:30-12:00	Staff Photos	
1:00-1:30	Nursery Extended Programme	LKP Cap and Gown
1:30-2:00	Under 2s - Grey	Nursery Extended Programme
2:00-3:00		Under 2s - Yellow

Coffee Morning



PIPS has hosted coffee mornings for each year level since November 2018.

The coffee mornings provide opportunities for parents to meet with the Principal, the PYP Coordinator and the Child Care Supervisor to discuss curriculum, school operation, language and literacy development, answer parents questions, etc.

PIPS will continue to host coffee mornings for the remaining school term. More details will be sent to you through emails in due course.

Health Reminder

The current influenza activity in Hong Kong is still very high and may continue to increase in the coming weeks. We do hope you and your family will support our zero tolerance approach to children who are unwell being brought into school during the peak season of influenza, please do remember the following:

- Children who are unwell must not be sent to school to minimise the risk of infection.
- Children who arrive at school ill, or who become ill during the session, will be sent home.
- Parents are requested to inform the school if their child is unwell by calling the school or emailing the class teacher in the morning.
- If a child has a particular medical condition that the school should be aware of, parents are asked to indicate it on the medical form and inform the school.

PIPS reserves the right to ask for a clearance note from the child's doctor for absences due to some serious communicable diseases. Meanwhile, PIPS will continue to take all the necessary measures to learn and disinfect the classrooms and the resources according to Standard Operation Procedure advised by the authorities.

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Chinese New Year Celebration

After the school suspension and advancement of Chinese New Year Holiday, it was lovely to see the children dressed up in festive clothes and enjoying games, story time and music for our Chinese New Year celebration.

Parents were invited to come and join the Children and Lion Dance Performances in the playground. The children of each class took part and the performance included poems, dances and songs. The day concluded with the lively lion dance performance.

Special thanks to Wong Chong Martial Arts Association who performed the lion dance at PIPS and delivered a set of Chinese couplet as presents for PIPS's 30th Anniversary. All the children and the audience had a great time watching the performance.

PIPS wishes you a prosperous Chinese New Year and may you have happiness and good health in the year ahead.

















To commemorate the 30th anniversary, we started with a Welcome Drink booth in the morning serving herbal drinks for all our children and parents. All the children gathered in the playground and form a number 30 as a present to PIPS.

Each class planned birthday parties or created birthday presents for PIPS. The Pre-Nursery children created pieces of art works and bunting; the Nursery children made a beautiful collage with 30 things found around the classroom; the LKP children did a Bouncy 30, which was 30 different exercises/movements.

Thank you to the class mothers for helping to coordinate food to be brought in and to all the parents for preparing and providing the food. It was a wonderful time for all the children and staff.











Date: March 2019

More Details Coming Soon!



