



THE OFFICIAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER OF PIPS KOWLOON

HEAD OF SCHOOL MESSAGE

A LETTER FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL,
MS. KITTY HO

Dear Parents,

For the past few months, we have been working hard to maintain a smooth operation in the school with the provision of online learning and emergency care for those families in need. I have been able to join some of the online learning sessions, and have seen how our teachers are able to adapt and make the best of changing situations. Over the “Special Vacation”, we were able to offer additional online classes to help provide children with a source of learning and fun in a time of travel restrictions and closed public playgrounds. I would like to congratulate the children for being so attentive and responsible; they have impressed me with their high level of engagement shown throughout this period. I would also like to thank parents & caregivers for the assistance they have provided in helping their children to continue their learning journey alongside our teaching team and their classmates.

I am thrilled that our children of all ages will be able to return to school in May. It is great to see children’s learning take place even when the stresses of COVID have been such a challenge for families, children and staff alike. In addition to our teachers, the EDB currently requires children to take RAT tests daily until further notice. We understand it can be tricky to administer this test to young children and I would like to applaud our entire community for their effort in this matter.



IMPORTANT DATES:

2nd May 2022 (Monday)

The day following Labour Day
(No School)

9th May 2022 (Monday)

The day following the Birthday
of the Buddha
(No School)

3rd June 2022 (Friday)

Tuen Ng Festival
(No School)

8th July 2022 (Friday)

Parent-Teacher Conference
(No Class for PN, N, LK/UK)

1st July 2022 (Friday)

HKSAR Establishment Day
(No School)

19th July 2022 (Tuesday)

Last day of the School Year
2021-22

Unit Learning at PIPS By Indira Gurung

Welcome back! We are delighted to resume school in person. Teachers and students are energised and ready to get back into the groove of learning and teaching. We are excited to start our final units of inquiry for this school year.

The **Pre-Nursery** level will further explore the wonderful world of the Arts. We will investigate and explore different art forms under the transdisciplinary theme of 'How We Express Ourselves'. Our focus would be on creating and responding to the various art forms, from singing, dancing, and drama to painting. The student will have the agency to choose and explore multiple art forms.

The **Nursery** will dive into the unit on 'Sharing the Planet'. This unit will look at natural resources and touch on conservation. Lots of science experiments and interesting students' questions will arise, which will lead to finding out more about our lovely planet. We hope that this unit will further develop our children's love of nature and to take care of the resources we use.

The **LK/UK/P** will explore the unit 'Where We Are in Place and Time'. Humanity has come a long way, and our children will analyse and compare past and present by looking at the development of cities. How have they changed, and why? Taking the lead from the interests of children, teachers plan meaningful learning engagements and help to promote their understanding of the unit.

Under 2's

For our Under 2's programme, we have a few more fun themes to explore before summer. The upcoming theme is all about yummy scrummy food. There is a plethora of food out there, and we will use our senses to learn more about food through the fun and hands-on activities. Our Under 2's teachers have planned some exciting learning engagements to explore food for our little ones.

With such a diverse number of units, we are all excited about our students' wonderings and questions regarding these units and the experiences gained from all the collaborative learning.

From the Under 2's to Kindergarten, our children will develop and enhance multiple lifelong skills throughout the units under the five primary skills, also known as the Approaches to Learning (ATLs):

- **Thinking** - we make sense of our learning, and apply the lessons we've learned in our daily lives.
- **Self-management** - we develop our confidence and our ability to manage ourselves, our feelings, and our responsibilities.
- **Communication** - we find different ways to communicate and express our ideas, thoughts, and opinions.
- **Social** - we develop our confidence in learning to play and learn together with our peers.
- **Research** - we learn to find answers to our questions and solutions to our problems by making use of various sources.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Vaccine Pass

Following the implementation of the “Vaccine Pass” enforced by the government, please be reminded that starting from 24th February 2022, except for those who are granted exemptions, all school staff and visitors must be vaccinated or otherwise will not be allowed to enter into the school premises. This applies to parents who enter the campus to pick-up and drop-off, as well as the accompanying adults in the Under 2’s programme. A ‘LeaveHomeSafe’ QR code will be placed at the entrance of the school. Individuals over 12 years old are required to scan the QR code when they enter the school campus and show it to the staff member by the entrance or reception area. If you have any questions please contact the school office.

Class resumption

Please see the following arrangement for Tuesday 3rd May – Monday 16th May :

Date	Arrangement
From Tuesday 3 rd May onwards	Face-to-face class resumption for <u>Nursery and LK/UK*</u> ; Emergency care and home learning are available for Pre-nursery and Under 2’s
From Tuesday 10 th May onwards	Face-to-face class resumption for <u>Pre-nursery*</u> ; Emergency care and home learning are available for Under 2’s
From Monday 16 th May onwards	Face-to-face class resumption for <u>Under 2’s*</u>

*Please note that home learning will no longer be available when face-to-face classes have resumed for the relevant level(s).

School Uniform

Summer uniform is now available for purchase at the school office. Please contact the School Office to arrange a time for uniform fitting. Each order will take about a week to process.

Extra Curricular Activities (Term 2 - May to July)

Our school offers a wide range of extra curricular activities on weekdays or Saturday. Applications for classes starting from May are now open. Please collect a leaflet from our school office. All applications will be accepted on a “first-come, first-served” basis. We suggest that you apply as soon as possible while spaces are still available.

PIPS KOWLOON REVISED SCHOOL CALENDAR 2021-22

PIPS Parkview International Pre-School (Kowloon) School Calendar 2021-2022 (Revised 2 March 2022)

Month 月份	Week 週	Sun 日	Mon 一	Tues 二	Wed 三	Thur 四	Fri 五	Sat 六	Event 學校活動	Holiday 假期
August 8月 2021	1	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	2-6/8 Staff Preparation Days (No School) 教師預備日(學生不用上課)	
	2	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	9/8 Meet the Teacher Day 新學年家長教師會見日 10/8 First Term begins 第一學期開始	
	3	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	27/8 August Birthday Party 生日慶祝會(八月)	
	4	29	30	31						
September 9月 2021	4				1	2	3	4		
	5	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
	6	12	13	14	15	16	17	18		
	7	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	24/9 September Birthday Party 生日慶祝會(九月)	22/9 The day following Mid-Autumn Festival 中秋節翌日
October 10月 2021	8	26	27	28	29	30				
	9	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		1/10 National Day 國慶日
	10	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		11-15/10 Mid-Term Break 學期中段假 14/10 Chung Yeung Festival 重陽節
	11	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	21-22/10 Playgroup Family Outing 親子班週年親子旅行	
	12	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29/10 October Birthday Party 生日慶祝會(十月)	
November 11月 2021	13	31								
	14		1	2	3	4	5	6	5-6/11 Professional Development Day (No School) 教師專業發展日(學生不用上課)	
	15	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	19/11 November Birthday Party 生日慶祝會(十一月)	
	16	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	25/11 Parent-Teacher Conferences (No Class for PN, N, LKG & UKG) 家長教師會見日(學前預備班、幼兒班、低班及高班不用上課)	
	17	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	26/11 PN-UKG Annual Family Outing 學前預備班至高班週年親子旅行	
December 12月 2021	18	28	29	30						
	19				1	2	3	4		
	20	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	10/12 December Birthday Party 生日慶祝會(十二月)	
	21	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	17/12 Winter Festivities 聖誕慶祝會	20/12 The Day after Major Election 選舉日翌日 20/12 - 1/1 Winter Break 寒假 25/12 Christmas Day 聖誕節 27/12 Day after Christmas Day 聖誕節翌日
January 1月 2022	22	19	20	21	22	23	24	25		
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July 7月 2022	20									
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Public Holiday 公眾假期	School Holiday 學校假期	School Event 學校活動	Staff Development Day (No School) 教師專業發展日(學生不用上課)	Staff Preparation Day (No School) 教師預備日(學生不用上課)
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