



Principal's News

05 February 2010

Diary Dates

05/02/10
Y1 Assembly
1:50pm

05/02/10
PTA Family Bingo Night

12/02/10
Chinese New Year
Celebration (9:00am)
Chinese costumes

Chinese Speaking Day

Last Day before CNY

22/02/10
School resumes

26/02/10
Y5/Y6 Assembly

01/03/10
Maths Week

12/03/10
Y2 Assembly

18/03/10
3 Way Conference
School Closed

19/03/10
Y1 Assembly

22/03/10
Book Week

26/03/10
End of 2nd term – Noon

12/04/10
School resumes
3rd term

PYP Action Plan

One of the requirements following our successful PYP Authorisation visit last May was that we had to complete a 3 year action plan addressing the recommendations outlined in the report. **Traci Salter, our PYP Co-ordinator** has been working with staff in recent months to finalise our Action Plan.

The plan is a detailed document that provides our school with a very clear strategic approach to how we will continue to develop and enhance the educational experiences of our students. The Action Plan was **endorsed by School Council** last month and is now available for parents to view on our website (<http://www.cwbs.edu.hk/life-cwbs/-primary-years-programme>). Please take the opportunity to view the Action Plan to see the strategies we have put in place to make the educational experience of our students even better.

2010/2011 Calendar

The Calendar for 2010/2011 is now **finalised** and available on our website. All dates are confirmed apart from some of the 2011 public holidays which are yet to be confirmed by the government. These should be confirmed by April.

Staffing News

I am delighted to announce that we have appointed **Mr Colin Rampton** to the position of **SENCO** whilst Sarah O'Connor takes maternity leave from the 1st of March. Colin brings a great deal of experience in the area of special needs to our school, he was previously a Learning Support Teacher at Kowloon Junior School. Colin has spent time with us this week working together with Sarah to ensure a smooth handover.

The past two weeks has seen me involved in interviewing teachers for positions across ESF in the coming year. At this stage the only vacancy we have to fill is that of Learning Support Teacher and I hope to be able to announce the successful candidate after Chinese New Year. **Karen Ramsey** has done a wonderful job in establishing our LSC and putting in place high quality programs and a culture of inclusivity, she will be sorely missed when she moves to New Zealand at the end of this academic year.

Maggie McClymont will also be leaving us in June to return home to the UK however with Gemma Chambers returning from maternity leave we do not need to recruit a new teacher. Maggie has been an integral member of our early years teams over the past 6 years and her experience and amazing love of teaching will be missed by all of us. We of course wish both Maggie and Karen all the very best for the future.

Gōng xǐ fā cái 恭喜发财！

David 费大卫

*Respect the
individuality of all
people*

Life-long Inquirers

*Value and engage
the community*

iACT – KGV Middle School Drama Club – Theatre 7.0 – 7 Short Plays
KGV School Hall 7:00pm
Wednesday 10th February

Student Success

Great news! Previous CWBS students Melissa Zhang will be the head girl of KGV from August 2010.

Dorothy Yang scored the HIGHEST score in the WORLD in the Cambridge Exam Board Additional Maths GCSE (like an A level but harder). From Lola Williams – KGV

Alan (6W) has been awarded a Distinction in the Stanford University's Maths Talent search 2010 – Congratulations!

ESF Lion Soccer Club

Jack Gross played in goals for the ESF Soccer Lion's U9's Development Squad in the Quarry Bay Sports Day organized by Quarry Bay School, helping his team win 2-1 thanks to an excellent save. Matthew Lee, Sakari Harding, Ben Stone and Lokel Wong participated in the International Tournament against teams from China and Macau at KGV School for the U11's squad. Well done boys!



Mixed Netball Team.

A number of boys and girls from Year 5 and 6 came together in December and January to form the Clearwater Bay Mixed Netball Team. In its short time together, the team played in two tournaments, at Bradbury and Chinese International Schools, coming third in both draws. Perhaps their most successful match came one evening after school when they beat a mixed team of staff by 12 goals to 11! Well done to all players for their commitment and enthusiasm.

Back row (from right) Daniel Sweeney, Kyle Kitney, Kaitlyn Hart, Hannah Ramel, Lauren Laroche
Front row: Jasmin Dunn, Olly Laxton, Samantha Young, John Frick

*Wish you good fortune!
Good luck in everything!*

恭喜发财! 吉祥如意!

Gōng xǐ fā cái ! Jí xiáng rú yì !

**“You can judge a
person’s character by the
way he treats people
who can’t help him
or hurt him.”**

Anonymous

Clearwater Bay School recently entered the Hong Kong Young Writers Award. The following students submitted entries and we commend them for the time and effort they put into their writing. We are now waiting with great excitement for the results of the competition.



Tiffany Yu 3M, Tessa Tsui 3A, Katharina Gerigk 4W, Jennie Kim 4W, Meigui Angwin 6J, Alantha Zhang 3A, Ellie Alexander 3M, Stella Sinnott 4G, Jennifer Ding 3A, Cherie Chun 5M, Rico Cheng 4Y, Irene Wang 4Y, Florence Clifford 3M, Leuven Wang 4G, Katie White 4G, Tara Naylor 4G, Ellen Xia 4W, Yianne Lin 3A, Cecilia Chen 6J, Felix Brunner 3M, Talitha Stead 4BH, Inka Hyttinen 4Y



Haiti Earthquake Appeal

A very wet Thursday last week the students of CWBS held a dress casual day to raise money for victims of the Haiti earthquake.

We are pleased to announce that the donations reached a staggering \$40,475.

This will be sent to Oxfam Hong Kong who has linked with the UN and other aid agencies on the ground in Haiti to provide equipment, food and water to all those people in need.



The CWBS Sports Days

Another fantastic series of sports days has ended with many exciting races, challenging activities and true sportsmanship evident through-out the day. This year we had wonderful weather with sunshine and blue skies for many of the days.

Please find the full report on our home page www.cwbs.edu.hk under the 'news' section.

We would like to introduce you to our school environmental group, the **Planeteers**. This year we are working towards two targets. We want to reduce the amount of electricity being used around the school and to introduce more plants to the school environment. If you are experienced in these things or can offer help, please contact Mr Li.

george.li@cwbs.edu.hk



The PTA and the Student Council would like to represent our houses on our short sleeved P.E. t-shirts. They have decided to have a design competition. If you would like to take part, design and colour your t-shirt idea on an entry form then post your entry in the t-shirt competition box, in the school office, by Friday 26th of February. Winning ideas will be announced at an assembly. Entry forms will be available from your class teacher.

CWBS PE T-Shirt Design Competition

Jiaolong-Blue
Shenglong-Green
Dilong-Red
Yinglong-Yellow

Maths Week Monday 1st March to Friday 5th March

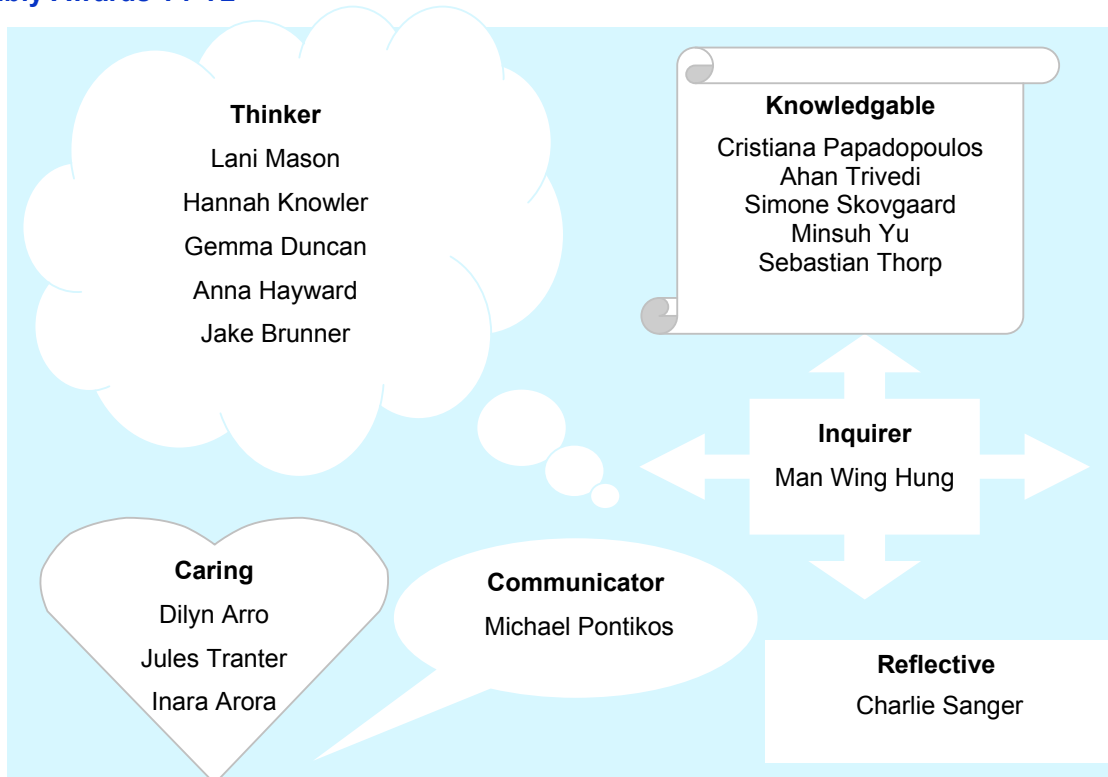
For a number of years the school has participated in World Maths Day. The children are being issued with usernames and passwords and are encouraged to answer questions on the website. This year we have decided to capitalise on this by expanding it to a "Maths Week" during which we will celebrate all things mathematical! The children will be involved in a number of challenges throughout the week, culminating in a special Maths dress-up day on Friday 5th March. The children could wear mathematical symbols or think of other costumes with a mathematical theme. We're looking forward to an exciting week - more details in the next news letter.



Chinese New Year Celebrations

WHEN: *FRIDAY, 12th February 9:00am-10:00am*
What: *Lion Dance Ceremony followed by student performances*
Chinese speaking day for all staff and students.
Mandarin fruit Stalls selling fruit for \$10 a piece.
Please join us!!

Assembly Awards Y1-Y2



PTA News

Hot Lunches – The hot lunch forms were sent out to students this week. Please can you ensure these are returned to the PTA by Monday 8th February 2010.

PTA Memberships 2009/2010 - A reminder that all families are required to join the PTA and that any children that are not members will not be allowed to attend the socials. If you need a membership form they can be found in the PTA Office.

Dates for the diary

Family Bingo – 5th February hope you all have a fantastic evening

Y5/Y6 Disco – 5th March

If you have any second hand books and second hand uniform, please bring it into the PTA Office.