

Principal's Message 2018-19

Welcome to the HCY family. After celebrating our school's 40th anniversary in the 2017-18 school year, this year is a brand new start for the school.

We have the following major concerns for the new school year to help our students achieve further. They are:



1. Encourage our students to take a more proactive role in learning to be lifelong learners
2. Make better use of assessment data to assist and enhance learning
3. Enhance students' competence on the attributes of discipline, self-actuation and leadership

To help F.1 and F.2 students learn better, workshops on study skills will be carried out. Students will attend workshops on note-taking skills and memorisation techniques. Also, to cater for the needs of different learners, e-learning will be reinforced. We hope students will be able to extend their learning beyond the classroom.

Next, for the use of assessment data, teachers will analyse former students' public exam results to better understand the strengths and weaknesses of our students and to improve teaching pedagogies and learning. With more reliable data, teachers will make better adjustment to align the junior form curriculum with the senior form one.

Regarding students' personal development, the discipline team will strengthen the importance of proper manner and tidy school uniforms. This year, a new series of scholarships will be launched to acknowledge students' performance in arts, sports and voluntary service.

My mission as the principal is to ensure that HCYers will become all round-learners who are able to manage their own learning and take the initiative in all their individual pursuits. It has long been mistaken that HCY school life is only about academics. The truth is, we strive hard to enrich students' school life with different experiences. To name a few, we have an exchange student from Germany joining our HCY family this year. Cheyenne Herold is our 4th exchange student. Like the previous exchange students before her, she will definitely bring in new insights to the school. Moreover, a team of 16 F.5 students will go to Boston in October to take part in a science competition organised by the International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) Foundation. The iGEM competition, which began in January 2003 as an independent study course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), is a world-renowned one. It first started as a summer competition with 5 teams in 2004 and expanded to 300 teams in 2016, with 5,000 participants from 42 countries. I would like to thank Dr Lau, our Vice-Principal and Dr Yuen, our Biology teacher, who have helped to make this impossible dream possible for our students. The October journey will be a great chance for our students to widen their horizons and unleash their potential.

The 2018 HKDSE results are satisfactory. Three of our F.6 graduates have been offered places in the Faculty of medicine at the University of Hong Kong and the Chinese University of Hong Kong. We also have very impressive results in Chinese Language where 7 students attained level 5**. As HCYers, we always work to our fullest potential to achieve the academic goals we have set for ourselves.

Everyone's goal is different. The story of Leung Ling Yin always reminds me the importance of following one's heart. Leung's story is an extraordinary one. Leung scored 9As 1B in the Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination. He then finished his university education taking quantitative finance, which is a dream choice for most students. He became a financial analyst at managerial level soon after graduation. However, he still felt a lack of fulfillment in his life. At the age of 26, his long-forgotten dream, which he had since he was two years old, re-emerged. The young man decided to switch jobs to be a bus driver. To most people, this is a waste of his talent, however, I believe that the talent and hard work of Leung Ling Yin helped him gain more than he wanted. As a bus enthusiast, he is now a bus driver.

With his professional knowledge, there is boundless prospect for him at the bus company.

You reap what you sow. I hope HCYers will follow their hearts and walk the path they belong to. At HCY, we believe that education for the 21st century is more than just knowledge acquisition.

“Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will eat for a lifetime.”

Tse Yun Ming

Principal