

The 71st PTA Annual General Meeting

The 71st Annual General Meeting of the DGS Parent Teacher Association (PTA) was held on 30th September 2022 in the Senior School AI Lab. Mrs Christine Nip, the PTA Chairman, welcomed parents and teachers who joined the meeting via Zoom.



The PTA continued to foster a close partnership among parents, teachers and the School. During the 2021-2022 school year, the PTA sub-committees organised outings, educational visits, a Brownie flag sale, author's talks and the Primary 6 Retreat for our girls. We also organised a uniform exchange programme, a lunchbox tasting session, as well as various webinars, breakfast meetings and the Christian Mothers' Group to provide parents with practical parenting tips, guidance and support. To commemorate its 70th anniversary, the PTA donated funds to both the Junior and Senior Schools to set up the Information Technology Fund, and also established the Mrs Doris Ho Staff Development Fund in honour of our former School Supervisor's retirement. Mrs Nip thanked parents and teachers for their contribution and dedication, and expressed her gratitude to outgoing Executive Committee members, including the Vice-chairman, Mrs Ada Yip, and the Hon. Treasurer, Mr William Lee, Ms Phoebe Man and Ms Camille Tse for their service and commitment to the PTA in the past years.

In her address, Mrs Lau assured us that the operations of the Senior School had been smooth under the new normal mode of learning. Mrs Lau then shared the outstanding public examination results at the HKDSE and GCE A-level, and the impressive range of university offers and prestigious scholarships earned by our girls. In sports, our girls achieved outstanding results, winning the Inter-school championship in athletics, life-saving, swimming, squash and tennis. They also reaped wonderful results in music competitions, bringing home many awards. Mrs Lau was delighted that the School was able to stage two spectacular concerts in August 2022 to showcase the talents of our young musicians. The School was committed to establishing a Technology School, revising the IT curriculum to enhance our girls' digital literacy and computational thinking skills, and offering them an exciting range of activities and courses to develop their interest in technology and innovation. Our girls achieved brilliant results in IT competitions on metaverse, artificial intelligence, art tech and blockchain. Before closing, Mrs Lau took parents on a virtual tour of the brand-new Boarding House and encouraged parents to sign their daughters up for the boarding experience to develop their self-discipline and independence.

To share with parents the year of opportunity and learning at the Junior School, Mrs Lee presented a video showing our girls' all-round development in academics, STEM, sports and music. The "Failure Day" workshop taught girls the importance of flexibility and resilience, while Project T continued to build their collaborative, creative, communication and problem-solving skills. With the newly-acquired equipment in the STEM room, girls honed their IT skills in AI, coding and robotics. National education played an important part in the curriculum to teach students about Chinese culture and our Mother country. Mrs Lee thanked parents for their support in arranging for girls to attend after-school and weekend music and sports trainings and rehearsals, and remarked that the hard work of girls, parents and staff all paid off. Not only did our girls achieve pleasing results in music and sports, the three summer concerts held in July and August 2022 were also testament to their industry and talent.

The Meeting closed with remarks by our School Supervisor, Ms Benita Yu, who reinforced the School's commitment in offering the best education to our girls. She looked forward to another year of close collaboration with parents so that our students could bloom in a hundred colours.



Executive Committee 2022-2023

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Ms Benita Yu

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PTA Activities

Primary 6 Retreat

In collaboration with St Andrew's Church, we held the Primary 6 Retreat in June 2022. The programme was well-balanced with fun games and educational and gospel sharing. Through interactive activities and role plays, the girls were taught how to face challenges and to work as a team as they progress to the Senior School.



Lunchbox Tendering

Our lunchbox subcommittee assisted with the tender for the Schools' lunchbox service provider. As part of the tender process, members of the lunchbox subcommittee arranged a factory visit to the two bidding companies in May 2022 and a lunchbox tasting session in June 2022. At the factory visit, participating parents observed the factories' production lines and gave scores on various aspects such as hygiene, efficiency and logistics arrangement. For the tasting session, a group of students, teachers and parents from both Junior and Senior School were invited to taste the snacks and lunch items provided by the bidding company and gave their scores and comments on the food items. Participants were generally satisfied with the delicious food and thoroughly enjoyed the tasting session.



School Uniform Exchange Programme

After being cancelled for two consecutive years due to the pandemic, the school uniform exchange programme finally returned! The long-awaited event was held on 6th August 2022. Although the event took place during the summer holiday, we received an overwhelming response and support from our parents and girls. Most of the uniform donated by parents, around 800 pieces in total, found a new home after this meaningful event!



Mini Bazaar

Come rain or shine, the Mini Bazaar and Souvenir team have got you covered. From the hand sanitizer holder and mask holder combo to umbrellas, pins and stickers, this year's PTA Mini Bazaar products, designed by DGS parent Joyce Lam, would spice up the year ahead with fun, zest and style.



Pr. 4 - Pr. 6 Outings

One of the most anticipated events after the examinations in December is the PTA School Outings! This year's outings for Pr.4 – Pr.6 were held on 16th December 2022. Before we set off, the classrooms were all buzzing with

Pr. 4 The HKFYG Organic Farm

The Pr. 4 girls visited the HKFYG Organic Farm (青協有機農場). The farm is situated at Ho Pui Reservoir, Yuen Long, and is to date the only farm in Hong Kong that follows both the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) National Organic Programme and also the guidelines of Hong Kong Organic Resource Centre. Not only did the girls have the rare chance to carry out simple farming chores, they also learned how to make herbal salt and bookmarks using organic materials.



Pr. 6 Former Fanling Magistrates' Court

The girls were given a guided tour in this historical building and participated in an elderly simulation workshop that allows students to experience the challenges of being an elderly person, learn to show gratitude to the elderly and to develop their leadership skills.



chitchat and laughter as girls could not contain their excitement about the visits. With the help of 56 parent-helpers, we brought a total of 12 classes to three different destinations for half a day of fun, learning and exploration.

Pr. 5 Cube O Discovery Park

An educational outing to Cube O Discovery Park (浩海立方 • 探游館) in Tsuen Wan was arranged for our Pr. 5 girls. Through a variety of interactive multimedia activities and observation of various types of real-life jelly fish, the girls learned about marine life and the importance of environmental protection.

