

Kowloon True Light School

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Embrace the Radiance Embody the True Light

The accomplishments of our students in HKDSE 2023 set a new standard of excellence and surpassed everyone's expectations.

Around 80% of our Form 6 students have attained the '33222' university entrance qualifications. Notably, the attainment rates of level 5 in Chinese Language, Liberal Studies, Chinese History, Literature, Chemistry, and Visual Arts have exceeded the territory-wide standards, signifying our students' exceptional aptitude and the school's outstanding performance in the community.

Nearly 88% of our graduates have been accepted into local and overseas degree programs, while the remaining students have embarked upon equally promising non-degree programs, including Associate Degree and Higher Diploma courses.

This year, we celebrate the significant presence of our graduates at some of the most prestigious schools in Hong Kong and China. The Chinese University of Hong Kong welcomed 22% of our JUPAS degree program entrants.



CUHK

English
Translation
History
Religious Studies
Journalism and Communication
Government and Public Administration
Anthropology
Science
Biomedical Sciences
Computer Science and Engineering
Professional Accountancy



HKU

BSc in Marketing Analytics and Technology
Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Nursing



UST

BSc in Quantitative Social Analysis
BSc in Global China Studies



UWE

BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy



THU

School of Law



SHMS

BA in International Hospitality Management

CHINESE

This year, the Chinese Department has curated an exciting lineup of activities centered around the theme of "華萃真傳" (Celebrating Chinese Heritage). Throughout the week, students had the opportunity to explore various aspects of Chinese culture through engaging and interactive displays. Our display boards showcase fascinating information about Chinese history, language, and customs, offering a glimpse into the beauty of this ancient civilization.

To add to the excitement, we have arranged games that highlight traditional Chinese art forms. Students can participate in activities revolving around Chinese masks and Shadow play. Additionally, our booth games offer hands-on experiences related to acupuncture, flower tea, Chinese compass making, paper, and printing tools, providing a unique chance for students to appreciate some of China's most significant inventions and contributions to the world.

As the week came to a close, everyone joined the celebration of the mid-autumn festival with a lantern carnival. This festive event featured beautifully crafted lanterns and riddles for students to solve and win prizes.



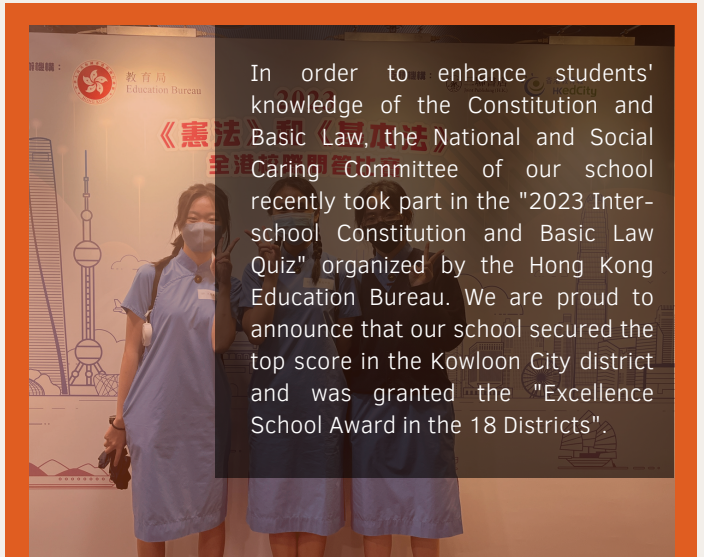
ENGLISH



Jane Austen's timeless masterpiece, the annual English Musical "Pride and Prejudice," was flawlessly executed by our talented S1 students accompanied by evocative storytelling, and mesmerizing musical numbers. Our young actresses breathed life into their characters, immersing us in the web of love, societal norms, and personal growth that defined Austen's iconic novel. With impeccable choreography, exquisite costumes, and a meticulously crafted set that transported us to the elegant regency era, each scene was brought to life with a perfect blend of emotion, wit, and charm.



English Public Speaking Day, organized annually by the English Department, is an event designed to empower primary school students with valuable public speaking skills, as they learn from renowned public speaking instructors from universities. Building on the success of last year's Tedtalk, this year's event aims to provide a platform for young students to showcase their eloquence and enhance their public speaking abilities. Don't miss this opportunity to witness the impressive oratory talents of our future leaders.



In order to enhance students' knowledge of the Constitution and Basic Law, the National and Social Caring Committee of our school recently took part in the "2023 Inter-school Constitution and Basic Law Quiz" organized by the Hong Kong Education Bureau. We are proud to announce that our school secured the top score in the Kowloon City district and was granted the "Excellence School Award in the 18 Districts".



HUMANITIES

Our school's humanities department had the honor of being invited to participate in the "Teachers' Development Day - Learning and Teaching Achievement Sharing Seminar". Ms. Lau Man Wai, the head of our Chinese History department, along with Mr. Chiu Man Ho, the head of the Economics department, delivered a presentation on "Promoting Values Education within and beyond the Curriculum". They showcased our school's local curriculum in Chinese History and how values education is integrated into social enterprise competitions.



STEAM

Our school's research team has gained recognition as the winners of this year's "Digi-Science" Video Production Competition for Hong Kong Secondary Schools, securing both the first and third place distinctions in the junior and senior school categories, respectively. The competition's thematic focus was "Food Testing in Daily Life", with our school's entry investigating the caffeine content within food. The students worked closely and meticulously conducted a multifaceted experimental process utilizing cutting-edge scientific apparatus to produce a succinct short film and report for the competition.



Seven S2 students, having previously secured the 1st runner-up title in the Odyssey of the Mind Regional Tournament, participated in the 2023 World Finals, held from 21st to 30th May at Michigan State University in the United States. The team was tasked with solving a complex problem by designing and building a structure made entirely of balsa wood and glue, that could balance and withstand a considerable load. The team, brimming with creativity and ingenuity, presented their solutions through an enthralling drama production.

In addition, they also demonstrated their artistic flair by designing costumes and crafting props using recyclable materials. This international competition was an enlightening experience for our students, as it afforded them the opportunity to engage in a cultural exchange with teams from diverse parts of the world. Our students eagerly participated in thought-provoking activities, sharing their unique perspectives and insights whilst also showcasing the richness of their Chinese heritage.



CULTURAL SUBJECTS

On 15 April, our school sent 23 students to participate in the "Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country" Family Day and Chinese Traditional Sports Day. The event featured a visit to a traditional sports exhibition and shuttlecock experience in the morning, followed by a martial arts performance and experience in the afternoon. The students had the chance to witness international martial arts gold medalists in action, providing them with a valuable opportunity to broaden their horizons and expand their knowledge.



The "Muses of Arts" joint school art exhibition, organized by CCC was a great success, graced by the presence of Dr Louis NG Chi-wa, the Museum Director of the Hong Kong Palace Museum of West Kowloon Cultural District Authority. The exhibition featured the works our students' art pieces which were acclaimed as a result of their exceptional craftsmanship and creativity. Our students also participated in the Standard Chartered Arts Carnival at the West Kowloon Cultural District Arts Park, traveling back to the 19th century for a festive "Dickensian Christmas".

2023 ACHIEVEMENTS

WORLD BOOK DAY CREATIVE COMPETITION



SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PROPOSAL COMPETITION



SPORTSMANSHIP

Last year was a roller coaster ride for our incredible students as they geared up for a variety of sports competitions and tournaments. They didn't just come out shining with stellar performances, they also garnered a treasure trove of priceless experiences along the way!

Our students are ready to embark on a whole new journey with their utmost passion, determination, and fighting spirit, as they're ready to reach new heights and show all True Light Bearers what they're capable of. Get ready to be dazzled by their incredible feats and cheer them on as they carve their path to future greatness!



INTER-SCHOOL DANCE FESTIVAL



1ST GBA-HK-MACAU THE "KIDS VOICE" CUP SPEECH & STORY TELLING COMPETITION



"VIRTUAL TOUR OF ANCIENT AND MODERN CHINA" DESIGN COMPETITION



HONG KONG SCHOOL STUDENTS' COUPLETS COMPETITION

ACADEMIC AND ARTISTIC EXCELLENCE

Their brilliance knows no boundaries as they showcase their talents in a multitude of disciplines. From mastering the intricacies of AI and computer programming to wielding the power of language with eloquence and finesse, their talents leave incredible marks in the history of KTL. But wait, there's more! Their minds are filled with innovative ideas, and they fearlessly bring them to life at a level that compares to professionals. Their tireless pursuit of excellence has earned them not only trophies but also coveted scholarships that recognize their exceptional effort.



SPEECH CONTEST



ONE HEALTH COVID-19 WRITING COMPETITION



HKSSF KOWLOON DISTRICT BASKETBALL DIVISION I COMPETITION 1ST RUNNER UP



HONG KONG SPEECH FESTIVAL MEDALISTS

TALENT DEVELOPMENT

KTL offers exceptional opportunities for students to unleash their potential in performing arts. One such platform is our annual event, 'Symphonia Vita.' This extraordinary concert serves as an example of our effort in nurturing creativity and talent. Through these events, students have the chance to showcase their musical brilliance, display their dance prowess, and deliver captivating theatrical performances.

READING ACTIVITIES

Our school's Reading Promotion Committee works tirelessly to cultivate an environment where students are captivated by the magic of reading. With a passion for literature, the committee introduces students to a vast array of genres and topics. Through engaging activities such as hosting the May Forth Literary Works Reading Workshop, we encourage students to delve into their favorite novels and explore the boundless world of literature, igniting a love for reading that transcends boundaries.

CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

We are also devoted to broadening students' horizons and deepening their understanding of their roots through an enriching exploration of Chinese culture. Supported by the National Social and Caring Committee and our History departments, we facilitate eye-opening experiences such as hosting stone bonsai workshops, visiting Mei Ho House and attending Model UN Conference that foster a profound connection to local traditions.



SOCIAL SERVICES

In collaboration with NGOs and other organizations in Hong Kong, our school provides invaluable opportunities for students to make a meaningful impact on society. Through visits to McDonald House's kids and True Light Villa District Elderly Community Centre, we empower students to contribute to their community. These collaborative efforts create an avenue for students to develop empathy, understanding, and a sense of social responsibility. By engaging in these activities, our students not only gain a broader perspective on the challenges faced by others but also cultivate a genuine desire to create positive change.



EXCURSION

At KTL we believe that there is no better way for our students to keep pace with the vast and rapid development of the world than by immersing themselves in different countries through study tours. These excursions foster a deep appreciation for diverse cultures and the beauty of cultural diversity. Beyond cultural exploration, students also enhance their language, communication, and interpersonal skills through interactions with different societies.

Despite the travel restrictions imposed amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, we remain committed to providing our students with the invaluable opportunity to explore the world. Our dedication has only grown stronger, as we strive to expedite our efforts and organize as many study tours as possible. We recognize the profound impact that firsthand experiences can have on our students' growth.

BALI 2023



Recently, we have taken our students to Guangdong to delve into the rich heritage of Chinese opera culture. We ventured to Macau to gain insights into the Greater Bay Area's dynamic landscape. Bali offered a captivating backdrop for students to learn about biodiversity and environmental conservation. Tokyo provided a firsthand understanding of the intricacies of tourism and hospitality. Additionally, our students journeyed to Shanghai, witnessing the remarkable growth and progress of the country beyond their imagination. Through these experiences, students have enhanced their intercultural competence and come back to school with a more open-minded attitude towards learning and the world.



MACAU 2023



But our journey doesn't end there. We are determined to expand our horizons further, with upcoming study tours planned for Europe, Korea, and North America in the coming months. These experiences will expose our students to new perspectives, deepen their global awareness, and cultivate a sense of curiosity. We will continue unlocking the world for our students, enabling them to become global citizens ready to embrace the challenges and opportunities of an interconnected world.

Professional Development

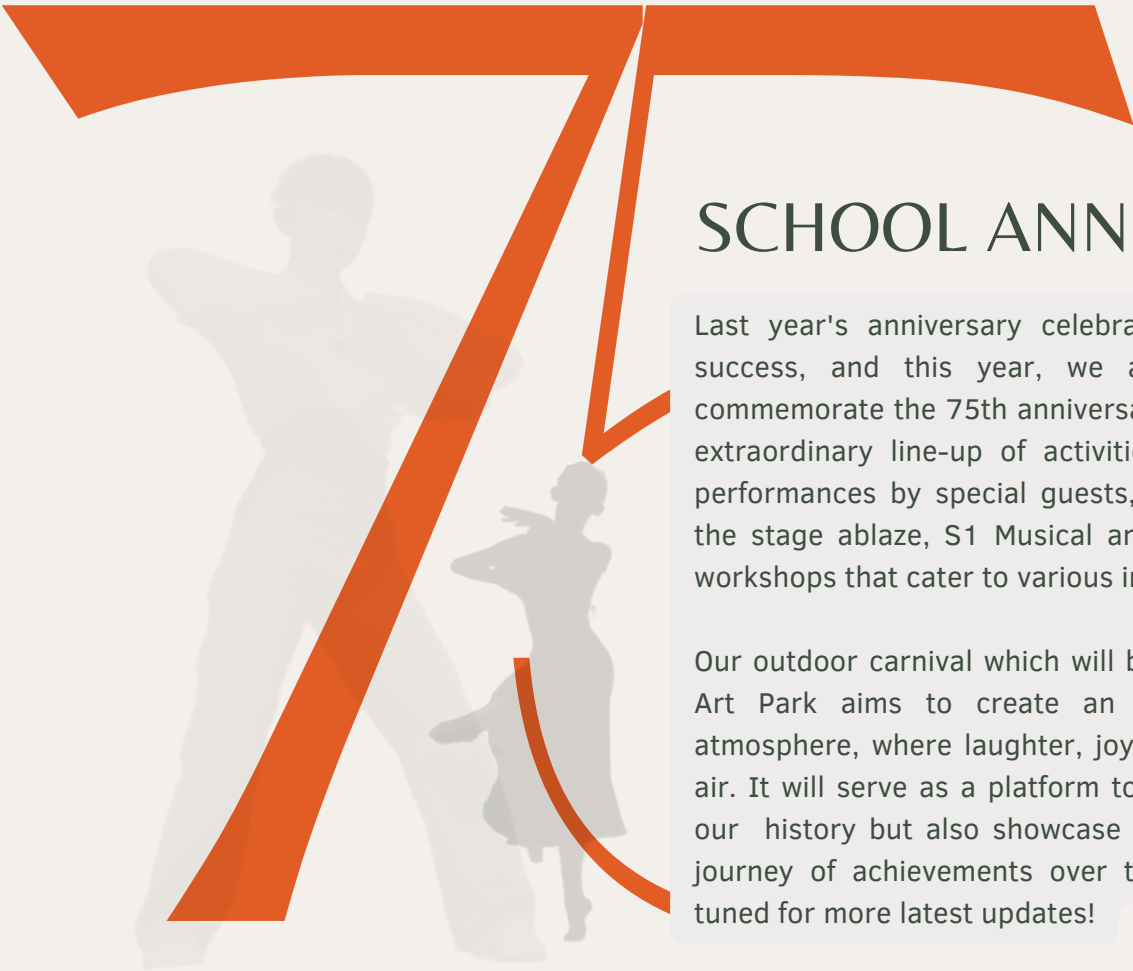
We value the continuous professional development of our teachers and wholeheartedly support their career growth in all aspects of their profession. Our support encompasses various opportunities, including our annual staff retreat, where teachers engage in collaborative learning and reflection. We host seminars led by renowned speakers from diverse fields, offering valuable insights to enrich our teachers' knowledge and expertise. Principal Lee Yi Ying, as the newly elected Chairperson of Hong Kong Subsidized Secondary Schools Council, has a visionary approach to teaching which has not only profoundly influenced the school's development but has also established a long-standing reputation.



Parent-Teacher Association

The Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) at KTL has taken remarkable strides in bridging the gap between the school and families through a captivating lineup of activities and workshops. In the past year, we successfully organized regular PTA meetings, providing a platform for parents to engage with our teachers. Building on this success, we are thrilled to announce our plans for the upcoming year. The PTA has set its sights on organizing six additional workshops as part of the Parents' Academy. These workshops will delve into topics such as anxiety management, role model parenting, and embracing failure.





SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY

Last year's anniversary celebration was a resounding success, and this year, we are beyond excited to commemorate the 75th anniversary of our school with an extraordinary line-up of activities including captivating performances by special guests, live music that will set the stage ablaze, S1 Musical and an array of engaging workshops that cater to various interests and passions.

Our outdoor carnival which will be held at Kowloon West Art Park aims to create an immersive and vibrant atmosphere, where laughter, joy, and celebration fill the air. It will serve as a platform to not only commemorate our history but also showcase our school's remarkable journey of achievements over the past 75 years. Stay tuned for more latest updates!

The Joint-Section Graduation Ceremony of Kowloon True Light School was a tremendous success with Dennis Yuk Ming Lo SBS, JP as our distinguished guest. The ceremony featured a collaborative flag raising ceremony by Girl Guides and Red Cross members, heartfelt speeches from P6 and S6 graduates, a captivating drama performance revolving around the theme of making the best choices, and lantern parade by S6 graduates. The lantern parade symbolized our graduates' bright future and their ability to shine far and wide, representing the radiant future that awaits our graduates as they embark on their unique paths, carrying the torch of knowledge, compassion, and resilience. It was a memorable celebration of our students' achievements and the enduring spirit of KTL.

GRADUATION

