

### From the Headmaster's Desk

A NATIONAL FESTIVAL IS AN OCCASION TO REFINE AND REBUILD THE NATIONAL CHARACTER.

NARENDRA MODI

Dear parents,

I love festivals and celebrations as they offer us wonderful opportunities to hang out with our loved ones and be refreshed by good foods and life-giving activities. As I look back on past celebrations of important national dates, a few incidents have vividly come to my mind.

It was 30 June 1997, and I remember it was a Monday but we were allowed to leave early in the afternoon. Though the sky was overcast, it was not raining, so instead of walking to the Admiralty Station two minutes from my office, I strolled down Hong Kong Park to experience the festivity, stopping by some of the booths that exhibited history of Hong Kong and handed out souvenirs to passersby to celebrate the long-awaited Handover. I could sense the genuine joviality and anticipation of myself and people around me, which prompted me to stay up late for the handover ceremony and subsequent fireworks displays in Hong Kong and other major cities in China. I went to bed at about 3am and got up before 6am for a long-distance telephone interview with ABC Radio from Australia. The hosts were apparently a bit skeptical but could understand my cautious optimistic outlook towards Hong Kong's economic and political future.

Fast tracking 12 years to 1 October 2009, I savored the rare opportunity to walk down part of Nathan Road as it was closed off to traffic for the fireworks display celebrating the 60th anniversary of the People's Republic of China. I booked a table for an extravagant dinner at the Oyster Bar of the Sheraton in order to enjoy a comfortable first-class view to the fireworks, and joined other guests in cheering and shouting as amazing patterns of fireworks kept unfolding for more than half an hour. Hong Kong had experienced SARS in 2003 and the global financial crisis in 2008, and initiatives from the central Chinese government had indeed helped revive Hong Kong's economy, so understandably survey results on the sentiment towards the central Chinese government had consistently been more positive than that towards the Hong Kong government in those years.

Another 13 years have gone by, and we are celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Handover this month. Lights and decorations on the streets are far more extensive and elaborate than ever, but maybe due to the COVID pandemic or other reasons, our city is much quieter and lacks the jubilation I have witnessed before.

My wild wish is that on important dates like July 1, we could stroll freely on the streets, singing, dancing and telling one another how much we love our city and the people here. Some core values, I believe, are steadfastly embedded, so let's stay upbeat as we remember this important day in our history!

Yours sincerely,



Clive Chan

### Stars of the Month

Brandon Huang	PTWB Fri 3:30-4:30
Chan Clementine	WTE8A Thur 4:30-5:30
Chan Pak To, Jeff	WTE6A Thur 6:30-7:30
Chan Wing Yin, Vienn	PTWR Sat 10:00-11:00
Chau King Man, Kingsley	PTW3 Sat 4:00-5:00
Cheng Tsz Ho, Jayden	PTWP3 Mon 3:30-4:30
Chin Yan Ting, Jinnie	WTE4A Sat 11:00-12:00
Chow Tsz On, Holie	IEKKB Wed 3:30-4:30
Choy Ka Yee, Sarah	GWF2B Sat 1:00-2:00
Chu Kai Yin, Angus	WTE2A Wed 5:30-6:30
Daniel Sze	IEKKA Sat 9:00-10:00
Ho Nok Yu, Rianna	PTWP3-E1 Sat 12:00-1:00
Ho Tsz Yi, Yumi	GWF2A Sat 2:00-3:00
Hung Ling To, Allen	PTWR Fri 5:30-6:30
Hung Wing Laam, Ivana	IEK6A Sat 9:00-10:00
Ip Pak Yu, Cyrus	IEK4B Thur 5:30-6:30
Ko Tin Chi, Ryan	IEK10B Sat 9:00-10:00
Kwok Ching Kiu, Bowen	WTE2A Sat 10:00-11:00
Lam Shing Hang, Avery	WTE4B Thur 4:30-5:30
Lau Ching Sum, Venia	WTE6B Tue 5:30-6:30
Lau Huen Yu, Summy	WTE6A Sat 11:00-12:00
Lau Justin	WTE6B Sat 11:00-12:00
Lau Tsz Fung	WTE2B Sat 11:00-12:00
Lau Yuet Ching, Connie	PTWE3 Fri 4:30-5:30
Lee Kwan Ching, Gavin	IEK8B Sat 10:00-11:00
Lee Yan Pok, Bryan	WTE4B Fri 6:30-7:30
Leung Man Yin, Kavan	WTE1 Fri 5:30-6:30
Leung Sin Yiu, Eunice	WTE4B Sat 2:00-3:00
Leung Sun Yin, Jessica	IEK2A Sat 2:00-3:00
Li Chun Yui, Felix	WTE4A Sat 4:00-5:00
Li Sum Yuet, Cindy	WTE2B Tue 3:30-4:30
Liu Yi Qi, Yuki	IEKKA Sat 1:00-2:00
Man Kin Ching, Lester	IEK4B Sat 9:00-10:00
Mok Fong Ting, Fanny	IEK4A Sat 12:00-1:00
Mok Fong Ting, Fanny	WTE2A Sat 3:00-4:00
Pang Cheuk Ki, Kirstie	WTE6B Wed 4:30-5:30
Shek Huen Ning, Miriam	IEK2B Tues 5:30-6:30
Wan Sum Yau, Ankie	IEK6B Sat 11:00-12:00
Wong Ching Ching, Bonnie	WTE2B Sat 3:00-4:00
Wong Chun Yin, Adrian	WTE8A Sat 10:00-11:00
Wong Lok, Lucilla	PTWE3 Mon 5:30-6:30
Yip Long Chi, Aidan	WTE4B Sat 11:00-12:00

Harry Potter is a popular series of seven fantasy novels written by the famous Scottish writer, J. K. Rowling. After over two decades of her first novel, *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*, the series remains immensely popular. Each character has their unique personality and is loved by their readers. But did you know that Rowling has given the key characters birthdays?

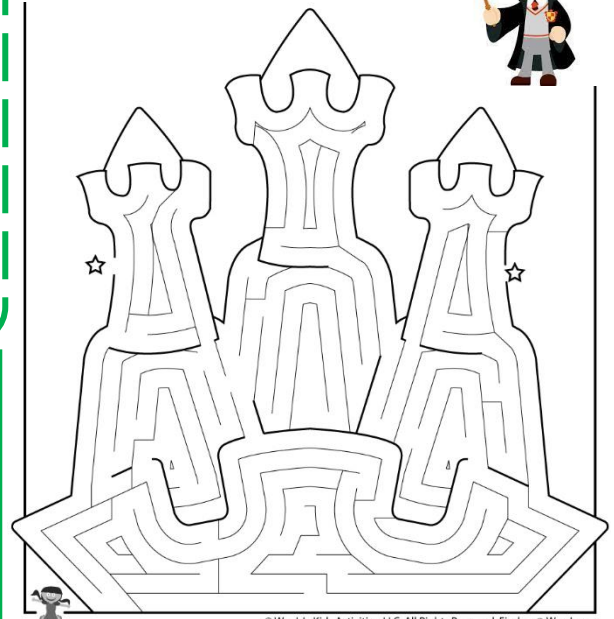
The main character, none other than Harry Potter has his birthday this month. It is on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July. According to Rowling, he was born on 31<sup>st</sup> of July in 1980, which makes him (supposedly) 42 years old this year.

~Ms. Michelle



### E-Smart's Writers of July:

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| Brian Liu (6B)      | My Monster Friend |
| Elizabeth Chen (6A) | Mochi-Sprout      |
| Ada Yu (10B)        | Snail Daily Life  |
| Minjae Kim (4A)     | Bubble Gum Tree   |



### **Wonder Hen** by Ailey Liu



Berta-Erika has been laying round eggs. But last Saturday morning, Mrs. Weigelt saw that Berta-Erika laid a square egg! Mrs. Weigelt screamed in shock. Mrs. Weigelt immediately brought Berta-Erika to the vet and asked the doctor, "Why did she lay a square egg?" The doctor checked Berta-Erika's body and found out that Berta-Erika had stomach cancer.

Mrs. Weigelt told Mr. Weigelt the news. They were so worried that they almost used all their money to save Berta-Erika; but at last Berta-Erika died. Mrs. Weigelt and Mr. Weigelt were very, very upset.

One month later, Berta-Erika was in heaven. She knew that Mr. Weigelt and Mrs. Weigelt helped her a lot, so she wrote a letter from heaven. It said, "Thank you for taking care of me, and I know that you are so sad. I got something for you in the safe at your house." Berta-Erika put the letter in their mailbox.

After a few hours, they saw something in their mailbox. They read it, and they ran to their safe quickly. They opened the safe and there was more money than before.

Mr. Weigelt and Mrs. Weigelt lived happily ever after.

### Harry Potter Word Search

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J	A	V	E	O	L	L	V	O	R
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E	G	B	I	I	S	W	P	D	F
R	Y	S	V	T	A	L	B	I	J
M	I	E	F	R	R	D	E	A	N
I	N	J	T	Y	R	A	C	Y	P
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| DOBBY    | HOGWARTS | MOODY |
| TINA     | DRACO    | JACOB |
| NEVILLE  | WEASLEY  | LUPIN |
| HERMIONE | SCAR     |       |