

July 2023

From the Headmaster's Desk

"Those who look for the laws of Nature as a support for their new works collaborate with the creator."

~ Antoni Gaudi

Dear parents,

Greetings from Barcelona! During the first two weeks of July, I will be travelling round the UK and Spain, seeing family and friends and visiting some touristic sights. It has been more than three years since I last travelled out of Hong Kong, so there is some undeniable excitement but inescapable apprehension at the same time, elated as I look forward to the new experiences and inspirations that await, but fretful as I have gotten a bit too used to the comfort and coziness of my home the last three years, totally uncertain as to my ability to brave the ordeals of travelling.

Thankfully, after the first week, I am pleased to say that the trip is completely worthwhile. Being able to hug and chat with loved ones face-to-face is absolutely superior to seeing them online. What is more, I am relieved that despite some expected initial hiccups, most of my friends are faring well, enjoying serenity, space and a better life in the new cities. Most important, they have made a beautiful demonstration that there are always choices in life when we strive for them, and happiness doesn't come from sheer financial success.

While having been to London many times, this is my first trip to Barcelona during which I have been mesmerized by the exquisite works of Antoni Gaudi, an ingenious yet humble architect who repeatedly stated that he got his ideas from nature crafted by its creator, and he was simply doing his best to recreate the beauty as intended by God. Few of us are as intelligent and gifted as Antoni Gaudi, therefore we must acknowledge our limitations and be humble before an all-knowing and all-powerful God.

Have a wonderful summer!

Yours sincerely,

Clive Chan

Summer Classes 2023 – Rush!

It's starting from 17th July. Don't miss out!

Best Writer of the Month (1)

Life - Clementine Chan (WTE10B)

Life is full of challenges
Exams, presentations, conflicts,
are throughout my life.
yet they are tutors in disguise,
granting you a chance to reflect on your flaws.

Life is divine
Everything will be fine,
if you perceive it with an optimistic heart.

I am grateful to life. No wars, no droughts, no floods yet with family, friends and food.

Life is tough, sometimes with misery
If we have a grateful heart
to cherish what we have had already
Happiness and us would not be apart.

Stars of the Month

Chan Pak Him, Kobe Chan Yik Him, Brandon Cheng Ming Yan, Mila Chung Man Hei, Marco Hung Wing Laam, Ivana Ko Sum Yau, Zoe Kung Ling Shan, Lewis Kwong Wang Chi, Wilson Lai Chun Ken, Jayden Lai Yi Kwan, Sophie Lam Shing Hang, Avery Lau Shing Fung, Dickson Leung Alfie Leung Sze Hang, Caleb Li Chin Ying, Jade Liu Josh Wai-Chun Lui Hong Lam, Caitlyn Lui Hong Yu, Alexandra Mok Fong Ting, Fanny Ng Tsz Ho, Philip So Wang Ching, Jayden Wang Pui Huen, Kelly Wen Pui Yuk, Kristy Xie Wen Xi, Jason Yeung Cheuk Nam, Namson Yeung Ching Hei

IEKKA Thu 10:30-11:30 PTWP2 Fri 5:30-6:30 IEKKA Fri 4:30-5:30 WTE6A Tue 6:30-7:30 IEK8B Sat 9:00-10:00 WTE4A Sat 11:00-12:00 PTWR Fri 3:30-4:30 WTE6B Thu 6:30-7:30 WTE2B Fri 5:30-6:30 WTE6B Sat 11:00-12:00 WTE4A Thu 4:30-5:30 WTE4A Fri 6:30-7:30 GWF6B Sat 3:00-4:00 WTE2A Wed 4:30-5:30 IEK4A Thu 5:30-6:30 WTE8B Sat 11:00-12:00 WTE4B Tue 4:30-5:30 WTE1 Sat 10:00-11:00 WTE4B Sat 10:00-11:00 WTE2B Sat 3:00-4:00 IEK6B Sat 12:00-1:00 GWF1 Sat 4:00-5:00 IEK2A Tue 5:30-6:30 GWF2B Sat 2:00-3:00 PTW4 Mon 5:30-6:30 WTE2A Fri / IEK4B Sat

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Holidays are an incredible time for us to visit, travel and relax. Through the vacation lots of people can enjoy themselves with their parents, friends, and neighbours. The summer season is an excellent time for us to take stress-free excursions. Summer vacations are the happiest time for all students. They get freedom from waking up early for school and doing homework. Summer vacations bring lots of chances to take part in many things we have been hoping to do. It reminds us that holidays are more useful if we make good use of the time by doing something worthwhile. Some students use the time to do other things that liberate them from the regular routine of studies and habits. I will use the holidays to teach. What will you do?

Ms Bernice

E-Smart's Writers of July:

Ethan Choi 4A ~ Buses are Better than the MTR

Sophia Wong 2B ~ Eating Healthy

Preston Shum 6B ~ Bovs Versus Girls

Aidan Lok 2A ~ Letter to Ben



Pow Wow and Chinese New Year by Ailey Liu

(WTE-6B)

Pow Wow and Chinese New Year are two cultural celebrations that showcase the rich traditions and customs of their respective communities. While they share some similarities, they also have some differences.

Pow Wow and Chinese New Year are two annual cultural celebrations that both involve wearing traditional costumes and eating traditional food. However, there are also differences between the two celebrations. One of the key differences is the tradition of giving red packets during Chinese New Year. The elders and married couples will often give red packets to young children but during Pow Wow it does not involve giving out any gift. Another difference in Pow Wow is a community dance celebration while Chinese New Year features a highly choreographic Lion dance.

Fireworks are also part of Chinese New Year; it symbolises warding off the evil spirits and welcoming the new year with a bang. In contrast, Pow Wow does not typically involve any fireworks. Pow Wow involves a community gathering at a central location while Chinese New Year is typically celebrated with families gathering at their own homes for traditional feasts.

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