

Thrive at E-Smart

March 2026

From the Headmaster's Desk

Dear Parents,

As the subtle warmth of early spring begins to soften the edges of our city's winter, we are reminded of the profound power of this season to inspire new beginnings and renew our sense of hope. Here in Hong Kong, we feel this transition deeply. Whether we mark spring's arrival by the Lunar New Year's promise or by the lengthening days, its universal message is clear: it is a time to emerge from hardship, to rebuild, and to grow.

For our students, March represents a critical juncture. The initial fervour of New Year's resolutions may have dimmed, and the reality of impending public exams can feel daunting. This moment, however, is not for surrender. Spring teaches us that it is precisely the right time to review, renew, and resolve. It is a season for replanting, for nurturing the seeds of intention with renewed focus and consistent care.

At the heart of this renewal lies hope—the vital force that fuels perseverance. We need look no further than our own community for a powerful, recent example. This past November, the Wang Fuk Court fire was a profound tragedy, displacing over 1,800 families. Yet, from the ashes, the true spirit of Hong Kong shone through. An outpouring of compassion followed: countless volunteers organised aid, and donations flooded in to support the victims. Neighbours helped neighbours, and a collective resolve to rebuild and heal turned devastation into a testament of community strength. This powerful response shows us that hope, when coupled with action, can overcome immense adversity. It is this same resilient hope we wish to cultivate in our students.

Yet resilience is not merely the ability to respond to a single crisis; it is the quiet, daily practice of showing up again after setbacks both large and small. For our students, resilience may look less like rising from disaster and more like returning to a difficult math problem after a failed attempt, or finding the courage to speak up in class after stumbling over words. It is the small, almost invisible choice to try again that builds the character needed for life's greater trials. This quieter form of resilience – what one

psychologist calls "ordinary magic" – is what transforms temporary failure into lasting growth. When we reassure our children that struggle is not a sign of weakness but an essential part of learning, we give them permission to persist. We teach them that, like the city itself, they possess the capacity to bend without breaking, and to emerge from each challenge with a deeper well of strength to draw from next time.

At E-Smart, we have always encouraged students to compassionately review their progress, renew their commitment to their goals, and resolve to take the next step forward. We kindly invite you to join us in fostering this mindset. Please take a moment to speak with your child about their hopes – for their exams, for this term, and beyond. Acknowledge their efforts and help them frame the coming weeks as a season of purposeful progress.

Thank you for your continued partnership. Together, let us inspire our students to move forward with the resilient hope that defines both spring and the indomitable spirit of Hong Kong!

Yours sincerely,



Clive Chan

Stars of the Month

Chan Esther	PTWR Sat 3:00-4:00
Cheng Chun Hei, Marcus	IEK10B Sat 11:00-12:00
Cheung Hoi Huen, Leanne	IEK4A Sat 1:00-2:00
Chiu Yau Shing, Carson	WTE6B Fri 4:30-5:30
Fan Pak Yuen, Daniel	IEK4B Sat 9:00-10:00
Ho Nok Yu, Rianna	WTE6B Sat 3:00-4:00
Hung Kin Hei, Aden	WTE2B Sat 1:00-2:00
Ko Sum Yee, Yuki	PTW5 Sat 10:00-11:00
Lai Hong Ting, Natalie	WTE8A Thu 6:30-7:30
Lam Nathan	WTE6A Sat 10:00-11:00
Leung Nga Man, Ella	WTE6A Sat 10:00-11:00
Liu Yi Qi, Yuki	GWFF4B Fri 5:30-6:30
Mak Pak Him, Fason	PTW3 Sat 5:00-6:00
Man Kin Ching, Lester	GWFF6A Sat 2:00-3:00
Ng Tsz Wing, Elsa	GWFF6B Sat 1:00-2:00
Or Shelton	IEK6B Sat 12:00-1:00
Poon Ka Ki, Andrew	IEK8A Sat 12:00-1:00
Poon Ka Ki, Andrew	WTE8B Sat 11:00-12:00
Poon Wan Kiu, Hazel	WTE2A Sat 10:00-11:00
Tou Ka Ying, Lisa	WTE2A Sat 12:00-1:00
Tse Chun Yin, Jasmine	WTE4A Sat 10:00-11:00
Wat Sin Sze, Celia	WTE2B Fri 5:30-6:30
Yam Chi Him, Randy	WTE6B Sat 11:00-12:00
Yam Yuen Na, Anna	GWFF4A Sat 2:00-3:00



March is a month of transition. The days start to get longer and the weather begins to warm up. March marks a turning point for many people each year, perhaps because winter winds down and officially ends in mid-March. The month is easily characterized as a turning point toward spring and all that it entails, including warmer weather and additional hours of daylight.

Spring is a time of rebirth, as the natural world wakes up and revives after lying dormant during the winter. In spring, our days grow longer, flowers begin to bloom, and warmer weather allows us to spend more time enjoying the outdoors. It is often thought of as a time for "new beginnings" or "starting fresh."

As spring breaks through the grip of winter, every new beginning invites us to bloom again. You are not meant to stay a bud forever – trust the unfolding, for you were made to bloom. ~Mr Steve

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WRITERS OF MARCH:

Best Writer: Haley Hon (6B) – The Adventure of Twin Souls

Others writers: Hayley Ng (2A) My Diary; Carson Chiu (6B) A Christmas Carol; Perseus Wong (4A) A Story; Yeung Ching Hei (6B) The Best Game Ever!; Issac Wong (10A) Home Schooling

The Adventure of Twin Souls – By Haley Hon (WTE6B)

In a charming town lived identical twin sisters, Lily and Rose. Lily had blonde curly hair and sparkling blue eyes, embodying adventure with her daring spirit. She loved to climb trees and organize treasure hunts. In contrast, Rose, with her neat straight blonde hair and thoughtful gaze, preferred the serenity of books and art, finding joy in sketching beneath their old oak tree.

Despite their differences, they shared a unique bond. A single look could convey their thoughts, and during school projects, they combined Lily's enthusiasm with Rose's careful planning, creating captivating presentations.

When they entered the town's talent show, Lily proposed an acrobatic routine, while Rose did a graceful dance. Nervous but determined, they practiced tirelessly, merging their styles.

On stage, Lily leaped excitement, while Rose moved elegantly. Their performance received a thunderous applause, highlighting how their differences were their greatest strengths.

Together, they learned that their unique qualities made them extraordinary partners in life.



- AWAKENING
- BASKETBALL
- BLOSSOM
- DAFFODIL
- DAYLIGHT SAVING
- EASTER.
- EQUINOX
- FLOWER
- FRESH
- GREEN
- GROWTH
- HOLI
- KITE
- LEPRECHAUN
- LUCK
- MADNESS
- MARCH
- PARADE
- POT OF GOLD
- RAIN
- REBIRTH
- RENEWAL
- SHAMROCK
- SHOWERS
- SPRING
- ST. PATRICK'S DAY
- WINDY



WORD SEARCH DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

Y	T	A	S	D	V	R	I	J	B	Y	L	Z	P	V	B	Y	O	F
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D	M	H	C	D	Y	T	Y	E	G	I	C	A	A	H	U	N	Q	Z
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B	I	D	O	B	D	Y	I	Y	W	N	V	A	N	U	E	Y	R	J
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X	P	B	E	E	T	E	E	O	T	J	K	I	T	E	W	E	S	G
W	T	V	Y	T	W	R	J	N	Y	M	Z	K	X	Q	O	G	U	F
G	S	F	H	B	A	G	M	S	R	E	W	O	H	S	L	H	O	R
R	P	C	O	A	U	M	L	R	E	B	I	R	T	H	F	H	E	T
B	J	X	L	L	E	D	A	F	F	O	D	I	L	S	O	Z	E	O
J	A	B	I	L	I	V	P	T	K	T	V	U	O	N	G	I	Z	P

Who can reach the apple?

