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Principal's Message





It is hardly an overstatement to say that the College has been operating under very trying and challenging circumstances caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The abrupt shift from face-to-face to online learning has completely changed the dynamics of classroom interaction. While we do see the benefits of online learning in terms of its convenience, flexibility and accessibility, we have also observed the problems it poses to those students who are more used to being led by others in learning or those who have yet developed the ability to steer their own learning. It has become increasingly important for teachers to think more about how to inspire learning and how to make it relevant to our students so that they can take ownership of their learning.

The impact of COVID-19 extends far beyond teaching and learning. The stringent health measures, necessary as they are, have made all co-curricular and extra-curricular activities nearly impossible. This year alone, we have cancelled or postponed many of our signature programmes such as Paul's Breakthrough (for Form 1 students), Paul's Challenge (for Form 4 students), Activity Week, Subject Weeks, Global Classroom Programme and various inter-class and inter-house competitions in sports and music that cannot be held online. These cancellations not only deprive students of the opportunity to acquire such soft skills as leadership, teamwork and time management,

they are also disruptive to the social, linguistic and psychological development of our students.

It is in these contexts that we are launching our SPC Summer Programme this July, in which we offer a wide array of interactive hands-on activities so that students can enjoy learning in small groups with their schoolmates in a safe and fun environment. Courses offered include recreational mathematics, problem-solving and programming (jointly organised with CUHK), architectural and spatial workshop, AI certification course, drone and STEM workshops, Climbing Robot Challenge (jointly organised with HKUST), SPC Entrepreneurial Challenge, English drama, art, calligraphy, cooking, music theory, archery, sailing and many more. After long periods of disruption to inperson classes due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we hope these activities are a breath of fresh air that will spark the joy of learning in our students. We understand that travel restrictions have made it impossible to take our students outside Hong Kong to broaden their horizons during the summer vacation. But if we cannot take our students to see the world, we bring the world to them. We are proud to say that this initiative is uniquely SPC because we are dedicated to providing our students with Options, Opportunities and Empowerment.

Another initiative of ours is the Solnno Design Education programme for our Form 4 IAL students. The programme is part of the research entitled "Assessment of Students' 21st Century Skills and Growth Mindset, and Teaching Kits Evaluation" carried out by the Department of Applied Social Sciences, PolyU and the Faculty of Education, HKU. Our IAL students used the design thinking approach to develop models for improving the liveability of neighbouring communities with the aid of the software Miro, which features functions such as 'post-it' brainstorming, sketching and making pitching posters. Their primary findings will be incorporated into our students' end-of-term paper. Also in attendance were four of our Liberal Studies teachers and one of our Visual Arts teachers, who observed the lessons and gained insights into the innovative pedagogical practice. This was indeed a fruitful collaboration for students, teachers and the research team. Not only did the programme stimulate our students' creativity through empowering them to think like a designer, it also provided the Liberal Studies Department with inspirations for planning the new "Common Core" curriculum to be introduced to all Form 4 students next year.

Looking ahead, we are going to celebrate our 170th anniversary in the next academic year. Despite all the uncertainties surrounding the situation of the pandemic next year, we have decided to press ahead with planning a series of celebratory events. Everyone is eager to make them work and your participation in these events is the greatest support that we can get. Do visit our soon-to-be-launched 170th anniversary webpage, where we will keep you all updated from time to time.

While celebrating our 170th anniversary, we are also at a very important juncture in our development to do some strategic planning for the future. We have a rich tradition and heritage of nurturing generation after generation of young men to serve the

Hong Kong community. For the past 170 years, we have been diligently upholding our commitment. As we move beyond 170, we need to be more forward-looking and ask ourselves what is our relevance to 21st Century Hong Kong, which is drastically different from the one 170 years ago. Our strategic plan for 2021-2024 is about to be completed and we will share it with you on different occasions.

Meanwhile, the foundation work of Phase II of the School Enhancement Project has begun. While we are still working hard to raise enough funds for Phase II, we are currently working on the design of the main entrance, the indoor heated swimming pool, the relocated College Office, our staff rooms as well as our multi-purpose library.

Let's work together for the continued success of the College in offering the best possible education to future Paulines.







School Enhancement Project



The Project aims to greatly improve the academic and cultural atmosphere of the campus, and strengthen the interaction of students by meeting the needs of modern teaching development. The Project is divided into four Phases.

Phase 1 was completed in August 2019 at a cost of \$90 million. Below is a summary of the progress and the construction work done in Phase 1.

- ✓ Enlargement and remodeling work of F.1 to F.6 classrooms
- ✓ New corridors outside F.1 to F.6 classrooms
- ✓ New air-conditioning system for the School Hall
- ✓ New toilets
- ✓ New staircases
- ✓ External wall outside Pokfulam Road
- ✓ Curtain Wall System for Stewart Building
- ✓ New LED lighting system for North Wing
- ✓ New Solar panel system



March 2019

Construction work began for the enlargement of F.6 classrooms. Curtain walls were added to the Stewart Building.



May 2019

Enlargement and remodeling work of 3/F-5/F classrooms to enhance students' learning environment.



May 2020

A new look of the internal aspect of the campus.



September 2019

Stewart building with curtain walls built to maximize daylight flooding into the new classrooms.



September 2019

Newly enlarged F.6 Classrooms with fullheight curtain wall to bring daylight into the classrooms. Smart TV and upgraded audio system were also installed.



September 2019

Tutorial Room 1 (TR1) and Tutorial Room 2 (TR2) were enlarged with higher energy efficiency. A partition wall was installed between the two rooms to allow flexible transformations from two rooms to a larger examination centre or multi-purpose area.



September 2019

Introduction of the Innovation Centre with advanced technological facilities.

New glass walls along the corridor brought natural sunlight into the new room.



September 2019

Renovated corridors outside the F.6 classrooms in Stewart Building to enhance energy efficiency in lighting.



September 2018 to September 2019

Renovated corridors outside F.1 to F.5 classrooms at North Wing to enhance energy efficiency in lighting.



September 2019

Renovated lavatory for female staff on the 1/F of North Wing.



September 2019

Staircases to classrooms were upgraded with tiled walls and granite floor tiles for sure footing. Lighting was also improved for a brighter and safer environment.



September 2018 to September 2019

Renovated F.1-5 Boys' toilets at North Wing. Appearance, lighting, ventilation and sanitary levels enhanced.



September 2019

A new look to school's external façade along Pokfulam Road. New tiles replaced the previous painted wall for better maintenance, and to keep a clean and tidy appearance.



October 2019

Renovated Liberal Studies Room to allow more flexibility in students' discussions and teaching approaches. White boards on the wall provide more writing space for students to express their opinions, stimulating their critical thinking. New glass walls along the corridor also brought in natural sunlight.



October 2019

Renovated History Room for displaying a wider range of historical references to stimulate students' interests in history study. Spacious room enabled greater flexibility for students' discussions and teaching approaches. New glass walls were installed to bring daylight into the room.



December 2019

A new set of Hall AHU air-conditioning replaced the outdated and noisy mechanism. The new system is also more energy efficient.



March 2021

A basketball court fence was installed to keep sports players from impact injuries, and to serve as a noise barrier to reduce noise pollution to the classrooms nearby.



April 2021

Foundation works for the commencement of Phase 2.



May 2021

Demolition of the swimming pool in progress.



May 2021

Sound proof canvas were erected to minimize noise disturbance to the staff and students.

From St. Paul's

News from St. Paul's College

New School Programmes

SPC ACADEMY-A SPRINGBOARD FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT BEYOND THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM

College has always made providing ample opportunity for students to develop their potential and extend their repertoire of skills one of its top priorities.

We are greatly delighted to bring to you exciting news about our new initiative - the SPC Academy, which offers co-curricular programmes in foreign languages and STEM education. Within the Academy, there are either free programmes taught by our own teachers or fee-paying programmes provided by renowned educational institutions or companies.

Students are encouraged to visit the SPC Academy's website (https://sites.google.com/ stpauls.edu.hk/spcsi/) regularly to check for course availability and enrolment details.



SUMMER PROGRAMME

The College is launching its first Summer Programmes this July, aiming at providing students with ample opportunity to develop their potential and extend their repertoire of skills.

After long periods of disruptions to in-person classes due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the face-to-face summer courses will be a breath of fresh air for our students as we will be running a diverse array of interactive hands-on activities, which are conducive to knowledge acquisition, generic skills development and character building.

This brand new initiative is being made possible by our dedicated teaching staff and other professional coaches and instructors. Participants will be able to engage in a wide variety of enrichment programmes alongside their schoolmates in a safe and fun learning environment.



News from our teachers

Our teachers and staff have welcomed their newborn babies. Many congratulations!



Miss Hong Chen Chen'son, Damian



Mr. Chan Man Chun's son, Vito

Miss Wong Nga Ki and Mr. Li Yu Hin's son, Winston

Our Retired Teachers

Mrs. Shroff



My grandchildren and Louie, our dog! Retirement gives me a chance to have fun with my grandkids!!!



It seems just like yesterday that I was standing in front of my class in St. Paul's College! Those were unforgettable exciting days and the memories still linger!



My children and I celebrating Christmas!

Our Retired Teachers

Mrs. Judy Chan and Mr. Chan Yeuk Yung



Mr. Chan, Mrs. Chan and Dim Sum saying "hi" to everyone at St. Paul's! Having a history of 170 years is God's great blessing, so do join in the celebration festivities! Hope to see you all at the Anniversary Dinner on December 12! And don't forget the School Enhancement Project needs your support!

Mr. Chow Hoi Ping



在疫情期間,我的日常活動如常:晨運午睡如舊; 間中亦有跟保羅同學聚餐閒談。

Mr. Cheong Chee Lap



Mr. Cheong in Botanic Garden.



Mr. Cheong met Man Yuk Lun , Wan Koon Yat and Ng Wan Tat.

Achievement Highlights

St. Paul's students have been excelling in various areas. Besides outstanding academic performance, many of our students are talented musicians, sportsmen, actors and leaders! We are proud of their achievements. Below are the highlights of the year.

Academic Achievements

MANG HAO JIAN, HONG KONG SCHOLARSHIP FOR **EXCELLENCE SCHEME AWARDEE**

Mang Hao Jian, one of our International Advanced Level (IAL) graduates in 2020, has been awarded a scholarship of HK\$300,000 per annum through the Hong Kong Scholarship for Excellence Scheme (HKSES) to pursue a Master of Engineering in Electrical and Electronic Engineering degree at Imperial College London.

NELSON KEI (CLASS OF 2016) WINS UNITED COLLEGE MING DE SCHOLARSHIP 2020

November 19, 2020 was a day of triple joy and celebration for Nelson Kei (Class of 2016).

First, on that day, Nelson was awarded first class honours for his bachelor's degree in Food and Nutritional Sciences at the 88th Congregation for the Conferment of Bachelor's Degrees at United College (UC), the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Second, Nelson had the honour of delivering the vote of thanks on behalf of the UC Graduate Class of 2020 at the Congregation.

Third and most important of all, Nelson received the prestigious United College Ming De Scholarship at the graduation ceremony.

The scholarship is awarded annually to a final-year United College student who has demonstrated excellence in academics and leadership, and rendered outstanding services to the college and the community throughout his/ her studies at UC. According to the UC website, "the recipient will additionally be honoured with a public citation at the College's Anniversary Ceremony and a permanent record of his/

> her accomplishments will be kept in the College archives."

> We extend our warm congratulations to Nelson on his remarkable achievements. We trust that our graduates will continue to thrive and excel beyond their school years at St. Paul's College.



TWO PAULINES RECEIVE OUTSTANDING STUDENT **AWARDS**

In the annual Hong Kong Island Outstanding Students Award organised by the Hong Kong Island School Heads Association, Ng Truman Toby (6C) was named one of the Top Ten Outstanding Students (Hong Kong Island) in the Senior Division, while Yang Feichi (3A) received an Outstanding Student Award (Central and Western District) in the Junior Division.

Toby was also recognized in the Hong Kong Outstanding Students Award organized by the Youth Arch Foundation as one of the 40 finalists.

Both awards aim to give recognition to students who have distinguished themselves in academics, character, leadership, extra-curricular activities and community service.

We offer our congratulations to Toby and Feichi. We hope that other Paulines will emulate them and strive to succeed in their academic studies and in their personal character development.



本校同學榮獲「全港中學中國歷史研習獎勵計劃」一等獎

恭喜本校中四丁班尹子傑同學獲得此項殊榮。

以「民初憲政意識薄弱及憲政之崩潰」為題,獲得首席評判丁新豹教授的青睞。尹同學 以清末民初為研習主題,是從參加學校中史科舉辦的北京、天津歷史文化考察團中得到 啟發。尹同學表示從研習中加深了對中國近代史的認識,並進一步學會多角度思考問 題。詳情請參閱《星島日報》的專訪。



FORM 5 ECONOMICS STUDENTS CLINCH MAJOR **AWARD AT JUMPSTARTER IDEAPOP! 2021**

A school team of our brightest entrepreneurial minds clinched the STEM Award in the JUMPSTARTER IdeaPOP! 2021.

The JUMPSTARTER IdeaPOP! is a startup competition organized by the Alibaba Entrepreneurs Fund GO-GETTER for local secondary schools and tertiary institutions to showcase their creative and innovative business ideas.

Our school team consisting of four Form 5 economics students was one of the eight finalists. Its team name, studyaccelerator, is also the name of their proposed app, which would provide a platform for DSE students to enhance their learning efficiency and effectiveness.

Apart from assisting its student users in setting learning schedules and managing study progress, the app would also provide them with suitable learning materials and feature a distinctive function of matching study partners according to the subjects taken by the users and their academic levels.

The app could also be used by teachers. Teacher users could create study groups for their students and conduct online lessons to enhance both the teaching and learning experience.

It is worth mentioning that our enterprising fifth-formers have translated their ideas from paper to reality; they have successfully created a runnable prototype of their awardwinning application, studyaccelerator!

The College congratulates the four team members: Au Fai Liong (5A), Hon Kit Long (5E), Peng Zhijian (5E) and Yim To Sang Shepherd (5E); and also the teacher-in-charge, Mr. Lee Ka Wai, whose invaluable advice contributed significantly to the team's success.

Do visit the following link for the competition results and details:

https://www.jumpstarter.hk/en/secondary

The final pitch video from Team studyaccelerator can be found at:

https://www.jumpstarter.hk/.../secon.../pitching-video6.webm





HONG KONG OLYMPIAD IN INFORMATICS

Congratulations to Chow Chung Yan (4E) and Cheung Tai Hong (4F), who were awarded bronze medals in the Junior Group of the Hong Kong Olympiad in Informatics (HKOI), and also to Chan Wing Chun (6E), who received an Honourable Mention in the Senior Group of the competition.

The Hong Kong Olympiad in Informatics (HKOI) is an annual programming competition for secondary students in Hong Kong. It is considered the largest contest of its kind at secondary level — with a total of 77 schools participating this year.

The two bronze medalists have also received invitations to attend an intensive training course at CUHK.





Our Musicians

Despite the interruption to our school's music activities and performances due to the pandemic, the music department managed to hold regular orchestra rehearsals in the first term and recorded choral performances for the school's Carol Service, Easter Service, and Ebenezer School's Thanksqiving Service this year. Below are some of the highlights of the mentioned events:

Orchestra rehearsals

In light of the COVID-19 situation, the music department took the necessary measures to ensure the safety of our students during orchestra rehearsals.

To minimise direct social contact among students during lunch break, the department arranged lunch for students on rehearsal days, where meal boxes were individually packed and distributed. Students were reminded to refrain from talking during lunch and were supervised by music teachers.





To maintain social distance, the seats in the orchestra were arranged to be further apart. Partitions were installed between individual wind players to block the spread of droplets.



After each rehearsal, the partitions were sanitised by our janitors.



Thank you to all our students' hard work, dedication and commitment, the orchestra rehearsals were held successfully in the first term. We would like to say a big thank you to our conductor, Ms. Carmen Koon and our strings coach, Ms. Aimee Sung for their coaching; music teachers, Mr. Boris Wong, Mrs. Sandy Ng, Miss Pinky Wu and music officer, Miss Vicki Hui for their coordination and supervision. It was definitely one of the most remarkable experiences amid the pandemic in the year of 2020-2021.



Carol Service

In December 2020, members of the Intermediate Choir and organist Jeremy Ng (6D, 21) pre-recorded Christmas hymns at St. Stephen's Church for the school's Carol Service.





Easter Service

Our Chapel Choir and organist Jeremy Ng (6D, 21) pre-recorded hymns in the School Hall for the school's Easter Service in March 2021.







Ebenezer School's Thanksgiving Service

On 12th April 2021, members of the Chapel Choir sang and recorded "I Cannot Tell" for Ebenezer School's Thanksgiving Service 2021. The performance was conducted by Mitchell Mak (5C, 20) and accompanied by pianist Ernest Li (2E, 19).







Our Sportsmen

Due to the outbreak of the pandemic, the School has followed guidelines from the EDB and suspend the Annual Swimming Gala and Annual Sports Day. Most competitions organized by the Hong Kong School Sports Federation were also cancelled.

However, SPC continued to encourage our students to maintain a healthy lifestyle and participate in physical exercises regularly. Therefore, we resumed training sessions for different sports teams in preparation for competitions as the LCSD reopened the public sports centres and training venues.

Furthermore, we are delighted to have had our alumnus Leung Chun-keung Jacky at the College to share with us his recent experience of conquering the Hong Kong Four Trails Ultra Challenge, one of the most physically demanding ultra-running events. He has made history by becoming the first person to complete the challenge in under 50 hours.

Lastly, the SPC Bowling Team organized a friendly match with some alumni at the SCAA Bowling Centre. The team polished their skills and the alumni were happy to share their wonderful experiences in the sport with younger Paulines.







From St. Paul's

Alumni News

Class of 1961

2020 has been a real frustrating year. For the first time in years, we were not able to hold our regular monthly dinner gathering on account of the Covid-19 pandemic. Also, those of us residing overseas who used to return to Hong Kong for short visits could not make the trip due to air traffic and quarantine restrictions. Prior to the Covid-19 outbreak, there would normally be at least 12 to 15 of us attending our monthly gathering for dinner, which was always an event much looked forward to. Back in 2011, we had a very successful 50th anniversary reunion attended by 31 classmates along with their spouses, some of whom were from overseas. We therefore have been eagerly awaiting this year to hold our 60th anniversary reunion. However, at this writing, it is highly unlikely that Hong Kong with the pandemic would see a safe return this year to some semblance of normalcy to permit us to do so. However, at this stage, we have not lost all hopes yet.











In Memory:

With a saddened heart, we mourn the passing, over the last two years, of Cheng Koon Tak (鄭冠德) Ng Kah Kin (吳家健) Tam Dang Ling (譚誕鈴) and Lucas Wong (黃子方). They will be sorely missed by all of us. Our deepest sympathies and condolences go to their families.

From St. Paul's

Class of 1963

Dr. Kenneth Fung celebrated his 50th year Golden Anniversary with his wife, Margaret. Congratulations!



Class of 1970

The Class of 1970 had months of exhilaration immediately following our 50th anniversary celebration in the week of 4 Nov to 9 Nov, 2019. We were totally overwhelmed by the excitement of meeting more than 80 classmates at the 5 November anniversary dinner. Our Organising Committee drew up a long term map to organize events for the next 5 years. The first one was going to be a Canada mini-reunion in October 2020, followed by the SPC 170th Anniversary, more reunions abroad and then the all important 55th Anniversary in November 2024. We envisioned our strong SPC spirit to last long into the 70's and 80's of our lives. One thing that will encourage us to keep healthy is to come to these reunions of fun and excitement.

The Toronto (Canada) chapter of the Class of 1970 formed a 10-member committee in January 2020. We held two meetings in Toronto restaurants. We also liaised with the Toronto Class of 1969 as they also planned similar reunion event in Canada. Then in March the Covid-19 virus hit the world. Our planning activities came to a screeching halt as our government was locking us down.

The planning might have been stopped but our SPC spirit is still high. Our classmates hung tight and stayed safe. Thankfully none of us contracted Covid-19. After a year of hibernation, the Covid-19 vaccination is now giving us hopes again. Some of the Class of 1970 living abroad are thinking of joining the SPC 170 Anniversary Dinner on 12 December. Hopefully the world without Covid-19 pandemic is coming soon and our reunion planning can resume.

Malcolm Ng伍錦舟 Class of 1970 F5F

Chairman of Organising Committee













Class of 1973

Class of 1973 has always shown strong support and passion to the school where we grew up together. We have recently arranged two very meaningful visits to the school for some of our fellow classmates in which open dialogues with the Principal and members of the Foundation was held on recent SPC events, the pandemic impacts on students and the education systems in HK in general. We touched on the support required for students as they are increasingly slapped with remote learning because of social distancing, as a result of which the much treasured school life and brotherhood bonding is negatively affected. We also shared ideas around expanding the horizons of students through engagement in some programs to inspire their options and choices of study and academic path. We then went on for a campus walk to appreciate the progress and benefits of the campus enhancement projects to the students. The walk brought back many fond memories and prompted us to say "those were the days", and how "colourful" and "joyful" we were at that time! Many of us had not been back to school since we graduated. We appreciated very much the warm welcome from school officers.







Class of 1974

Class of 1974 celebrated their 50th anniversary since 1969.



Class of 1982

Happy Gatherings with Teachers

Recovering from my glaucoma surgeries in 2020, I have gradually settled into my retirement life after serving the Hong Kong Observatory for 34 years and as its Director for 9 years. My original plan was to join the World Meteorological Organization of the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, as Director of Services in April 2020. Due to the need to deal with my health issues, however, I had to give up the plan.

Opportunities arose one way or another for me to meet with former and existing teachers recently, COVID-19 condition permitting. On 16 March 2021, I had lunch with Mr. Ho Fuk Yan (何福仁), former head of Chinese, and Mr. Ngan Ka Hing (顏加興), Teacher Librarian. Mr. Ho taught me Chinese when I was in Form 5 and Mr. Ngan was also his student. It was a wonderful gathering with lots of exchanges in Chinese literature, such as the recent publication of a Chinese novel entitled "Imperial Astronomer" (欽天監) by the world-renowned Hong Kong writer Xi Xi (西西). This novel is particularly of interest to me as the Imperial Astronomer could be considered as my predecessor in pre-modern China. I had a lot of reflections on why our development of science and technology lagged behind the western world during the Ming and Qing dynasties after reading the novel. Highly recommended!

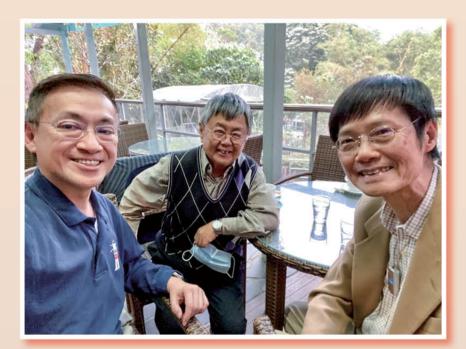


Class of 1982

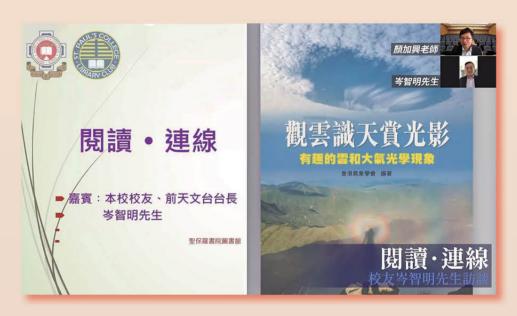
Then on 24 March, I had another fruitful gathering with Mr. Lo Kwong Fung (盧廣鋒), former Head of Chinese History, at Chung Chi College (崇基學院) of The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK). Mr. Lo was my teacher of Chinese History when I was in Form 3. I still remember many of his teachings even though it was already 43 years ago, not from the textbooks but from his stories of histories and philosophical quotes, such as "物極必反" (things will develop in the opposite direction when they become extreme), which is apparently a universal truth. Many of us may know, Mr. Lo has volunteered to curate exhibitions for the Chung Chi College Archive since his retirement from SPC in 2005. I was privileged to have a guided tour of the current exhibition on "Campus Tree-planting of Chung Chi College: A Retrospective" by Mr. Lo. It is particularly amazing to learn about the strong linkage between the treeplanting campaign on the hills surrounding Chung Chi College commencing back in the 1950s and the subsequent footprint of CUHK as Chung Chi College merged with United College and New Asia College, which moved to the Ma Liu Shui campus in the 1960s and early 1970s respectively. The foresight of the founders of Chung Chi College, especially President Lin Dao Yang (凌道揚), was exceptional. My sincere respect also goes to Mr. Lo, who has volunteered over so many years for his alma mater. Do visit Mr Lo and the Chung Chi College Archive next time when you are in CUHK!



After visiting the Chung Chi College Archive, Mr. Lo and I joined Professor Joseph Ting (丁新豹) for afternoon tea in Orchid Lodge (蘭苑), which is the oldest remaining building of Chung Chi College. It was a very meaningful gathering for me as Mr. Lo was my Chinese history teacher 43 years ago and Professor Ting is my current teacher at Department of History, CUHK. We had a most enjoyable chat of the history of Chung Chi College and St Paul's College. Professor Ting also told me that he was invited to SPC to advise on a history study tour to Beijing and Tianjin on the occasion to commemorate the Centenary of the May Fourth Movement in 2019. How lucky we are to have eminent historians associated with our school!



This piece of short article would end with a special note of thanks to Mr Ngan Ka Hing, Teacher Librarian, who invited me to deliver a recorded Zoom talk for students in late April. With an objective to promoting reading and science, the talk of course covers a recommended book of mine – "More Than a Silver Lining – Deciphering the Clouds and Atmospheric Optical Phenomena" 《觀雲識天賞光影: 有趣的雲和大氣光學現象》 – Hong Kong's first book on this topic. The book has hundreds of attractive photos taken by citizens of Hong Kong, mostly from a social media platform known as the Community Weather Observing Scheme (CWOS) on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/groups/icwos). Scientific knowledge about the formation of these interesting clouds and optical phenomena could be learnt, as well as first-hand tips provided by the photographers on how these fantastic photos were spotted and captured on cameras or mobile phones. The talk also covers my 40+ years' association with SPC and how I got inspired in physics and committed to a career in the Hong Kong Observatory. The Zoom talk can be viewed on our school's Facebook page here: https://fb.watch/5jaXtCftqV/



All in all, many happy moments catching up with teachers and sharing with students. Looking forward to more in the years to come!

SHUN Chi Ming U6C, 1982 Head Prefect, 1981-82

Group Activities

SPCAA in Ontario

Ontario

The past year was a difficult year for SPC alumni in the Toronto area due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The huge daily new case numbers and the constant lockdowns restricted our daily lives. Most of our alumni are elderly but they adapted quickly to communicate through Zoom and WhatsApp. Our association, Ontario Alumni Association (OAASPC), was not able to hold a 2020 or 2021 AGM dinner. But we still feel excited about the coming school anniversary in HK. OAASPC has designed and produced Canadian stamps to commemorate the 170th Anniversary. The stamps will be available for sale at the 170th Anniversary souvenir shop, details to be announced later.

Overseas Alumni Groups

Our alumni network is a great way to stay in touch with the SPC community outside of HK. There are alumni groups in Ontario, San Francisco Bay Area, London, Shenzhen and all around the world. It has never been easier to get to know your fellow alumni in your area. If you wish to contact one of the alumni groups, please contact Ms Priscilla Fan of SPCAA by emailing to priscilla.fan@alumni.org.hk

SPCAA Activities

Online Sharing Sessions

Despite social distancing, alumni maintained close ties through online sharing sessions. On 26 August 2020, Primary School Headmaster Mr. Michael Mak talked to over 100 alumni and their better halves about school admissions and the qualities of being a SPCPS student.

On 26 November 2020, Past Chairman of SPCAA, former Council Member, Mr. Vincent Fung (1983) discussed with alumni and retired teachers his fight against COVID-19 in Wuhan to safeguard Hong Kong citizens in Hubei Province.

Visit to Primary School

Alumni toured the Primary School on 26 September 2020 to learn more about its latest development. Representatives from the school and SPCAA guided visitors around the campus and shared their experience.



Final Farewell to Swimming Pool

On 27 February 2021, teachers, lifeguards, swimmers, and many familiar faces witnessed the retirement of SPCAA Tse Yu Chuen Swimming Pool, which served generations of alumni for more than 40 years.



Mentorship Programme

This year's programme for the Class of 2023 adopted a design thinking approach. One week before the Inauguration Day, alumni mentors attended a 4-hour training workshop to become familiar with ways to engage students in exploring life opportunities. On 17 April 2021, alumni mentors and student mentees met for the first time to reflect on their personal priorities and set goals in the areas of health, study and social life.



170th Anniversary Celebration Dinner

Book your ticket now! We stand together to celebrate 170 edifying years of our alma mater. Join us to share your fond memories with teachers and fellow brothers and sisters in this unforgettable evening.

Date: 12 December 2021*

Venue: Grand Hall, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

Time: 7 PM Price: \$1,280**

For reservation, please email <u>priscilla.fan@alumni.org.hk</u> or contact your class representatives. In addition to the dinner, a series of activities have also been prepared for all local and overseas alumni to participate in. Stay tuned to the SPCAA official FB page: https://www.facebook.com/spcaa.hk.

* Dinner will be rescheduled in case of COVID concerns.

** Special discount will be offered to young alumni.



St. Paul's College Foundation

Message from Chairman of Foundation

To most people in Hong Kong, 2020-2021 has been a really challenging year. The threat of the COVID-19 pandemic and the need for social distancing have brought most activities to a halt. Despite all the uncertainties, the Foundation never ceased to move forward. While our students and teachers are enjoying the bigger and better-equipped classrooms - the fruit of the first phase of the School Enhancement Project, the Foundation has been busy raising funds to improve the facilities in the special rooms in the Innovation Block. Our students can now have handson experience with some of the latest technologies like 3D-printing right on campus because a section of the Innovation Centre is conveniently a workshop for them to experiment and explore.



Throughout the year, the Foundation also assisted the school by providing the necessary resources to fund various special projects. The Principal's Birthday Book Scheme was one of them. The Foundation assisted the school with another initiative, the Solar Panel Project, for which the necessary funds did not come in time. This Project has also come to fruition and our students are actively involved in the maintenance and monitoring work. This will not only create greater awareness among our students of the importance of conservation but also generate a future source of revenue for the College.

When we look at the donors' list, we are delighted to find familiar names, including members of our Executive Committee and Alumni Association, who have made repeated and generous donations to the different projects and our school's enhancement. We are indeed grateful to our Fundraising Convenor, Dr. Chan Yau Nam, Ian, who has devoted so much time and effort to liaising with our alumni and soliciting donations. We can also see a growing number of classes, alumni groups and families on the donors' list, a sign of unity amongst our alumni. Some of these names will be displayed outside our classrooms and special rooms. They have provided support for the second phase of our School Enhancement Project. We have started the ground work but more funding would be needed to complete the long-awaited indoor swimming pool as well as the main entrance.

It has been the tradition of our College to embrace diversity. Our alumni would like to support the school in providing quality education for students from diverse backgrounds. With the endowment fund in mind, major changes have been made to the structure with functional committees of the Foundation to enhance efficiency and transparency. The changes aim to promote and enforce adherence to the Rules and Regulations, and drive a culture of compliance and ethical conduct in the Foundation.

2021 is an important year because we will be celebrating our 170th Anniversary. The College, as well as the whole St. Paul's community, is gearing up for the celebration of this important occasion. We look forward to meeting you and your full support as always!

Best wishes,

Dr. Cheng Cheuk Sang, Arnold Chairman of St. Paul's College Foundation

From St. Paul's

Foundation Committees and Convenors

2020/2021

Governance Committee

Mr. Pong Yuen Sun, Louis (Supervisor of SPC)

Fundraising Committee

Dr. Chan Yau Nam, Ian, SBS, MH (Ex-co) '67

Capital & Endowment Gift Committee

Mr. Lau Man Fong, Julian (Ex-co) '75

Annual Giving Committee

Mr. Chiu Pit Hong, Alan (Ex-co) '96 & Mr. Hon Yee Leung, Francis (Ex-co) '92

Audit Committee

Mr. Luk Koon Hoo, Roger BBS, JP (Ex-co) '68

Vetting Committee

Mr. Au-Yeung Ho Wing, Herbert '91 (Ex-co)

Event Committee

Mr. Hon Yee Leung, Francis (Ex-co) '92 & Mr. Chiu Pit Hong, Alan (Ex-co) '96

Public Relations & Communications Committee

Mr. Yeung Kwok Mung, Ken (Ex-co) '82

Finance & Investment Committee

Mr. Mok Yu Sang, Wilson (Ex-co) & Mr. Lee Kai Yiu, Benjamin (Ex-co) '76



Details of the Foundation Structure and Committee Members

Message from Convenor of the Fundraising Committee



The unforeseen consequence caused by Covid-19 has made the Fundraising Campaign tremendously challenging over the last year and a half. Many planned programs were cancelled due to restrictions imposed for sanitation reasons. Under such unfavorable circumstances, we are limited to holding gatherings with only a few members each time and our effort of reaching out to other stakeholders was greatly hampered.

Despite such an extreme adverse environment, our alumni continue to demonstrate their unwavering support and care for our Alma Mater. Thanks to their contributions, a target funding of 20 million dollars was

successfully raised to allow Phase 2 of the School Enhancement Project to commence in April, 2021 and if construction goes according to plan, it will be completed by the end of 2022. Highlights of this phase include the Main Entrance (Phase 2a), the Indoor Swimming Pool (Phase 2b) and the Library (Phase 2c). Work is underway for the construction of the foundation, which is relatively expensive due to the extra work on the slope beside Bonham Road. It should be pointed out that the project has been designed to have each 'block' constructed in sequence in order to ensure full funding is met for the cost of each stage.

Campus Enhancement is only part of the overall plan for St. Paul's to provide an outstanding education for the students. Pursuit of academic excellence remains a primary goal for the College and thanks to the leadership of our Principal, Mr. Dennis Yuen and his staff, St. Paul's has made very significant improvements in public examinations in the last 5 years. According to one ranking agent, St. Paul's captured the top spot among all the boy school in HK, based on public examination results. The establishment of the Endowment Fund is to allow students with lesser financial means to have equal opportunities to enjoy a quality education at St. Paul's.

I would also like to introduce the idea of 'Annual Giving'. "Annual Giving" is widely used by private institutions overseas as a means to support projects that are outside the regular school budget. Contributions are pledged for specific projects identified by the school, or for general non-specific purposes. It should be emphasized that "Annual Giving" is not a commitment of the donor to contribute every year, although he is welcome to do so.

Looking back to the history of our school, our alumni had made profound impacts on society in different eras. I sincerely believe that with St. Paul's heritage and tradition, our alumni will continue to shine and leave their footprints in history.

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From St. Paul's

Our goal cannot be realized without your generous contributions, financial or otherwise. I thank you in advance for your continued participation and support.

Regards,

Dr. Chan Yau Nam, Ian Convenor of Fundraising Committee Vice Chairman of St. Paul's College Foundation







Capital & Endowment Fund

Despite tremendous challenges we faced in 2020 due to the pandemic, we still managed to raise about 20 million to kick start Phase 2 of the School Enhancement Project. Most of the funding came from individual alumni as well as collective class contributions for naming classrooms. We have to thank them for their great support to the school.

A generous donation of HK\$ 10 million came from the Tse Yu Chuen family. It should be pointed out that for almost a Century, the Tse family has made immeasurable contributions to St. Paul's. The late Mr. Tse Yu Chuen graduated in 1916. He served on the Council in the 50s and 60s and it was under his leadership that the redevelopment of the Bonham Road Campus became a reality in the 60s. To follow their father and grandfather's footsteps, Kenneth '60 and Michael '72 made the gift to the School and continue to name the new indoor swimming pool after Mr. Tse Yu Chuen and St. Paul's College Alumni Association.

Philip Cheung Kok Kee '66 and a Member of the Executive Committee of the Foundation has made a total donation of 2 million dollars. Incidentally, this is only a fraction of his contributions to St. Paul's over the years. Philip is certainly an example of an alumnus devoted to his alma mater.





Another piece of exciting news is the donation of 5 million from an alumnus who wishes to remain anonymous. The same alumnus pledged a matching fund of 30 million to start the Endowment Fund.

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Class Gift

We believe there are alumni who share the same vision as the school to support this meaningful project and each donation counts as a token of their attachment to the school. Class donations are encouraged and many classes have already met their targets.

12 alumni from Class of 1972 donated HK\$1 Million in 2019 to name Classroom 1D after Mrs. Judy S. C. Lo Chan. Graduates from the same year, another 37 alumni, donated towards the naming of one more classroom, 4B.

Class of 1975 also initiated a class donation last year and finished their campaign with more than HK\$1.1 million. They named Classroom 5A "Pauline 75/77 All for Each and Each for All".

Class of 1973 is now raising funds among their classmates, targeting HK\$1 million for classroom naming and HK\$500K for the Endowment Fund. 16 alumni have already contributed and donated more than HK\$ 800K and the drive continues. It is hoped that more classes will join them and start their own drive.

Sharing Session

Due to the pandemic, no fundraising event could be organized. In April, with the pandemic situation improving and daily life getting back to normal, we held a sharing session with some members of the Class of 1969, under appropriate social distancing and sanitization conditions. They visited the campus and toured the newly renovated classrooms, History Room and Innovation Centre. Mr. Yuen and Dr. Chan gave a briefing on the latest development of the School Enhancement Project and appealed for support from their class. We are happy to hear that Class of 1969 has started their Class Gift Campaign after the sharing session and one member who was there pledged HK\$ 200,000 dollars to get the ball rolling.



Annual Giving

In addition to the School Enhancement Project, we have also raised funds for providing students and teachers in the primary and secondary schools with opportunities to learn and develop outside the classroom, supporting projects in different fields such as music, sports, and culture. We will soon launch an annual giving campaign, hopefully to cultivate a tradition of giving at St. Paul's College.

Solor Panel

St. Paul's College has taken a big step forward in its commitment to providing an ecofriendly campus for its students as 26 solar panels, fitted to the rooftop of the South

Wing, were put into operation on 12 June 2020. This school-based solar energy project was made possible by the generous donations from our alumni – including several stalwart members of the SPC Alumni Choir. In appreciation of their contributions, two custom plaques were presented by the Principal respectively to the attending choir members and to the major alumnus donor, Mr. Choi Kim Lui Victor.



Cloth Face Mask

In December 2020, the time of giving, we prepared the signature Cloth Face Mask with our College logo printed on traditional blue. It provides long lasting protection of 99.99% for 30 days of wash and wear without causing environmental problems on land or at sea. The cloth face mask is the gift for any donation of HK\$ 500, and many alumni, parents and friends supported the drive. Some of them donated HK\$ 1000, which would include an additional bottle of the 3M Antiseptic Nano Spray plus a set of sanitizers. The masks come in three different sizes to fit all members of the family!



Aroma stone DIY online activity

SPCAA organized an aroma stone DIY online workshop on 8th May 2021 for students from our primary school, College and alumni families to learn to make handicrafts and create their own Mothers' Day gift. The teacher of the workshop, Ms. Henrietta Ho is a certificated tutor in many handicrafts. She and her assistant instructor Ms. Joyce Lee prepared the material packs and video for our participants and also gave us a 2-hour online class to demonstrate the steps and answer the questions from the audience. The net income will be donated to the Foundation.



E-Shop

To celebrate the 170th Anniversary, the College, the Foundation, the Alumni Association as well as the Parents and Teachers Associations from the College and Primary School will produce different souvenirs for all the celebration events. Together with our existing Foundation souvenirs, there will be more than one hundred items.

In order to facilitate the sale of these souvenirs, Justin Chan, Class of 1993, is developing a new e-shop website for the Foundation. Alumni will be able to visit the e-shop to view all the souvenirs and purchase them online. It is the plan to bring at least one new item to the e-shop every month.

Public Relations & Communications

Branding for the school & engaging our stakeholders

Last year, members of the PR&C Committee , together with the College and SPCAA, developed the following brand statement for the school: "We nurture our students to become the best of what they can be, to shine in whatever they choose to do, to serve and lead others to make a better, more inclusive world." This statement embodies our heritage and vision for the future, and shows what our College does and what makes us unique. The committee also conducted a tender to appoint a Public Relations agency to help us develop and execute a communications campaign that will integrate the projection of our brand identity with celebration activities for our 170th Anniversary to engage all our stakeholders in celebrating our heritage, sharing our vision and supporting the building of our future. The committee will continue to focus on the execution of this campaign to achieve these objectives.

SPC Alumni Engagement Database and CRM System

Expanding and refining the school's database of SPC constituents to maintain better contact and engagement with our alumni throughout their various life phases is one of our campaign objectives. This database and CRM system will be maintained, protected and operated only by the school authority to make contact and promote interaction between the school and all Paulines and will follow strict data privacy guidelines.

The committee invited Justin Chan (Class of 1993), who has been helping the school with the database, and Dr. Saimond Ip (Class of 1982) (PhD in Management Information Systems from Cambridge University), to spearhead this effort. The team has completed a framework and a data domain model for the database to include all related entities in all the various existing systems. The team will also coordinate with different organizing committees of the Anniversary celebration events and the PR agency to develop a data collection mechanism for each celebration event and promote it to all our constituents so that each alumnus participant can update their contact and profile with the school directly online.

Acknowledgement (June 2020 - May 2021)

To express Special Thanks to the major donors, the College will honour them with the naming of rooms: (names listed in alphabetical order)

Mr. Cheung Kok Kee Philip	Dr. Kenneth Tse & Mr. Michael Tse
Dr. Yuen Wai Key	Class of 1975 (Pauline 75/77)
Class of 1972 (Class 67/72/74)	Class of 1973
Kwok Chung Bo Fun Charitable Fund	

Acknowledgement for Endowment Fund

Cheung On Tak Charity Foundation

Mr. Wong Chung Tin

Dr. Choy Yuk Lun

Contribution to Capital Fund

You are most welcome to support the School Enhancement Project through donations towards Donors' Wall or Room Naming.

Room Naming

The College will honour our major donors with the naming of a Room, Laboratory or Building. Please reserve your naming right early because there is only one of each. This is perhaps the best way to remember the good old days as a class, as an ongoing memento of your class's time at the College.



Donors' Wall

Let us remind you of our Donor's Wall, which is located along the corridor outside the School Hall. You can have your name and graduation year engraved on the plaques. We selected the beehive structure because it stands for the nurturing and strong bonding which best represent the student days in St. Paul's College. There are THREE sizes for the hexagon plaques, for which the minimum donation is HKD10,000.





Please note that acceptance and recognition of gifts are subject to the endorsement of the Fundraising Committee.



Please kindly download the Donation Form via the QR Code. Please fill in and mail to the Foundation Office, St. Paul's College, 69 Bonham Road, Hong Kong for the issue of a

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Donation to the Annual Fund

We also invite you to make a donation to the Foundation to support our annual contribution to the Education Service of St. Paul's College and St. Paul's College Primary School. We are thankful to all contributions, big or small. Donations can be earmarked for general purpose or a specific purpose, scholarships, projects, or campus development in accordance with the donor's wishes.

Donors are also welcome to donate through cheque or bank transfer. Please issue a crossed cheque payable to "St. Paul's College Foundation Limited " or make a direct transfer to the HSBC Current A/C no. 400-575379-838 CUR



Tributes

Tribute to Kenneth Ng Chi Him by Geoffrey Emerson

In the last News from St. Paul's, 1919 - 2020, there was a tribute to former teacher Kenneth Ng, who passed away in May 2020 and was especially remembered by his former students not only for his mathematical teaching but also for his training St. Paul's basketball teams. I felt Kenneth deserved more details about his life and contributions to St. Paul's even though he was at the school only until 1970.

I came to Hong Kong from New York in 1964, knowing next to nothing about Hong Kong or St. Paul's College. It was all so strange. One of the first persons at St. Paul's who befriended me and offered a helping hand was a colleague, Kenneth. We discovered a mutual love of tennis and so we began to play occasionally at Victoria Park in Causeway Bay on Hong Kong Island, a few miles from St. Paul's. Although I had played on my high school tennis team in Auburn, New York, I was not nearly as good a player as Kenneth nor was I as dedicated to the sport. To me it was fun and good exercise. To Kenneth it was that and much more. Nevertheless we continued our friendly tennis matches and he also most kindly included me in his family life; I enjoyed many fine meals at his home with his wife Christine, a graduate of Belilios Public School and Hong Kong University as an English Literature major, whom he married in 1963.

Kenneth joined St. Paul's in 1963, after graduating from Hong Kong University with a B.S. in Engineering, and he later obtained a Post-Graduate Certificate of Education. From 1968-1969, as a Sino-British Fellowship Scholar, he took a course at the University of London Institute of Education. In a later year, he also attained an MSc in sociology from Leicester University. Being ambitious, Kenneth over the years added a string of initials after his name including C Eng, FHKIE, RPE, MASME, MIMarE, MHKIMT and MBIM.

In 1970, Kenneth left St. Paul's to join the Technical College, later the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. Not surprisingly, he was promoted to Lecturer, Senior Lecturer and then Principal Lecturer. In 1986, he became Principal of Kwai Chung Technical Institute, VTC, and then Principal of the Shatin Nexus, overseeing Shatin, Kwai Chung and Kung Tong Technical Schools.

Tennis was Kenneth's real passion, especially helping to increase and improve the sport in Hong Kong, as shown by his great participation and leadership in the Hong Kong Tennis Association. During the 1970s, he was very actively involved in coaching and training for junior tennis as well as other age groups, arranging clinics for local coaches and students. His aim was to provide a base for an overall tennis development programme in Hong Kong. He actively promoted excursions outside HK, including to China and the Czech Republic, and in 2002, he captained the HK Federation Cup team to the Asia/Oceania event in Guangzhou.



Mrs. Too So Kwok Chun had the following to say about Kenneth. "I was shocked and saddened by the news of Kenneth's passing. He was always such a gentleman with a warm personality. A lot of students at St. Paul's are very grateful to him".

Kenneth and one of his former St. Paul's students, Frank Fu Hoo Kin, became close friends largely because of their mutual interest in the Hong Kong Tennis Association. I asked Frank, my former student as well, to write a few words about Kenneth and he readily agreed. He wrote, "I knew Kenneth for over 56 years in several capacities. He was an inspiring mentor (mathematics teacher at SPC from 1963-68), a resourceful basketball coach (1964-68 at SPC), a dedicated colleague (member of the HK delegation to the Universidade in 1985, 1987 and 1989), a highly competitive teammate (five senior tennis tournaments in Asia and two Inter-institutional basketball tournaments at HKIVE) and a dear friend, always genuine and caring. I am indeed privileged to have known him for so long and gotten to know him better through various roles. He taught me many things in life, among them "never give up", "the importance of teamwork", and "staying physically fit and productive". I have benefitted from his wisdom which helped me in going through hard times in life. I shall miss him very dearly."

Frank's brother, Freddie Fu Ho Keung, also paid tribute to Kenneth, writing the following: "Kenneth was inspiring, passionate and knowledgeable in coaching and training. He coached me for four years and transformed our Agrade team into the best of HK high school basketball teams in 1969-70. I still recall well in the championship game against Ling Nam, the score was tied 26-26 at halftime. However, three of our starting five already had four fouls each! In the locker room at halftime, Kenneth told us to stay calm, don't foul and play as a team to our best potential, and he put all the starters back in the second half. We exploded for 50 second half points and won 76-72 in a game of my lifetime. Kenneth deserved the game ball. Without a doubt he brought the best out of all of us! " (A photo of that championship team was printed in the last News from St. Paul's.)

Kenneth and Christine have three sons, and they are all making their mark in Hong Kong today. There are four grandchildren now. Christine has very kindly agreed to share some photos of the family, including ones dating back to 1972 and then when the boys grew up in 1974. They undoubtedly have inherited their father's love for tennis, as they were all HK Junior Champions and attained a top 10 ranking in world junior ranking. One was an Asian Champion and another a Wimbledon Semi-finalist in Junior Doubles.

After leaving St. Paul's to pursue his career in the vocational training field, Kenneth continued to show interest in the College and kept in touch with his former students. He and Christine often joined alumni gatherings and other social occasions. The St. Paul's students never forgot his teaching as well as his help and encouragement in the college's tennis and basketball teams. Indeed, after he passed away tributes poured in from St. Paul's alumni. He surely left a great mark on St. Paul's College. RIP.













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