



News From St. Paul's

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For past students and friends
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Cover and Back Cover

This cover picture of New South Wing Building (with a section of Wong Ming Him Hall at the bottom right hand side corner) was taken from Knowles Building and Main Building of the University of Hong Kong in October 2007. At the back, you can see three historic pictures of Wong Ming Him Hall. You will also discover more pictures of the newly renovated Wong Ming Him Hall in this 2008 issue.

Principal's Message

I am delighted to write a message for this latest edition of News from St. Paul's.

The 2007/8 school year has been incredibly busy. It has certainly not been the 'time of rest' we all expected after the 155th Anniversary celebrations! The highlight and most demanding aspect of the past twelve months was the Comprehensive Review; the 5 year appraisal of the College's management and programmes that is a requirement of being a DSS school. We opted to set up our own team of reviewers and were delighted to secure the services of **Professor Kwong Lee Dow**, recently retired Vice Chancellor of the University of Melbourne, as Chairman of the Review Team. The team, comprising ten leading Hong Kong educators, spent six days at the College and their final report will be posted on the College website in due course. Their conclusions and recommendations will be carefully considered and will guide the direction of our school over the next five years. At one of the debriefing sessions, the Review Team stated that "St. Paul's College enjoys an enviable reputation in Hong Kong. This Review, thorough and extensive as it has been, clearly demonstrates this reputation to be fully justified."

A major new initiative this past year has been The St. Paul's College Foundation Ltd. The College recognises the need to provide a first class learning environment for our boys and staff and that this requires additional income beyond that provided by Government

and School Fees. The Foundation enables donors to make tax-exempt donations that will be used for a variety of exciting initiatives and developments. The Foundation has given high priority in its fund-raising activities to the relocation of the Primary School from its current location in Hill Road to a green site on the corner of Pokfulam and Victoria Roads. The new Primary School is due to open in 2011. Other projects for the Foundation include student scholarships, the advancement of e-learning, and the proper housing of the College Archives in the newly renovated and refurbished Wong Ming Him Hall. The inaugural donation to the Foundation came from the Class of 1967 who presented a cheque for a very generous HK\$1,085,000.

Miss Josephine Ho has been appointed Secretary to the Foundation and has also assumed responsibility for the Archives. Josephine would like to hear from Alumni who would like to donate College memorabilia to the archival collection (kmh@spc.edu.hk).

St. Paul's College is proud of its history and excited about its future. I have a simple request to all who read this edition of News from St. Paul's: keep in touch and be involved in the development of your College.

Kind regards

John Kennard

St. Paul's College Alumni Association 2007-08

After the hectic work in celebrating the 155th Anniversary of our Alma Mater, the Alumni Association has made new attempts and progressed well and our relationship with our Alma Mater has risen to a new, unprecedented level.

Normal Social Activities

We have been maintaining normal monthly activities including happy hour gatherings at the Fringe Club in Central on the second Tuesday of every month and dinner meetings are scheduled once a quarter on the last Thursday of the month. The response has been very good. Many alumni, teachers and even current students were attracted to join. We were most grateful to **Dr. John Kennard**, **Mr. Cheong Chee-lup**, **Mr. Ching Cheong** (1968) and **Mr. Chang Ka-mun** (1978) who kindly joined our dinners as guest speakers.



We also participated in the annual Principal's Cup Basketball match in December 2007. We beat the school team this year!

Breaking New Grounds

1. The Watermelon Cup

In view of the huge success of the first ever Watermelon Cup Plastic Football Tournament held in May 2007, the second Watermelon Cup was held in May 2008. The response was even better - 19 classes ranged from 1970s to 21st Century 'young old boys' enrolled and we had to organise, like World Cup, preliminary rounds to satisfy the huge demand. After two days of keen but friendly competition, the class of 1991 won and the class of 1992 went 1st runner-up. Many thanks to Committee member **Chan Man-chun** (1981), Vice-Chairman **Anthony Chiu** (1971), Honorary Secretary **Francis Hon** (1992), Committee member **Ranson Lai** (1986), **Simon Lee**, Vice-principal **Mr. C. H. Mak**, **Mr. H. P. Chow**, **Mr. W. L. Tang**, the school Football Club and the Junior Red Cross for helping to make this event an overwhelming success.

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2. The AGM and the Poolside Party

In December 2007, we organised our AGM in the new South Wing of SPC. With the special permission of the Principal, we enjoyed the new facilities there and organised the first poolside party in the school. Over 150 alumni and their families enjoyed this happy gathering where there were good food, good wine and plenty of open space for playing around, such as football and basketball at night time!



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3. Special Reception for Senior Alumni

Through exceptional efforts, we have 'reconnected' 8 pre-war graduates (all in their 80s or 90s!!) to come back to the College on 1st December 2007 to pay a visit to the new buildings and have a 'yum cha' gathering in the new Common Room of the College. Dr. Kennard, Archbishop Emeritus **Peter K. K. Kwong** and core alumni members were also present.



4. The Spring Dinner

This was another event of which the level of success was far better than what we expected. With the assistance of our former Chairman **Dr. Ian Chan** (1967), we organised a Spring Dinner in February 2008. The response was so good that over 200 teachers and alumni turned up, jammed the entire hall of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and we had to turn away late comers. Thanks also to **Alan Chiu** (1996), **Norman Hau** (1996), **Hugo Ngaw** (1993), **Sarah Kwok** (1997), **Simon Lee** (1998) and all those who have donated lucky draw gifts on that night.



The Mentorship Scheme

This was the fourth year of our mentorship scheme. Many groups had been formed for alumni to meet F.6 boys and share their life experience with them. The inauguration was held in November 2007 with **Mr. Dane Cheng** (1981), General Manager of Corporate Communications of Cathay Pacific, as our guest of honour. The annual mentorship high table dinner was held on 26th April 2008 at Cosmopolitan Hotel, Happy Valley. The Guest of Honour was **Sean Lin** from the Class of 1989, who is currently Chairman of HKUST Alumni Association and winner of Ten Most Outstanding Young Persons 2006. I was most grateful to Committee member **Alan Chiu** (1996) and his team who organised this annual programme and made it smooth and successful.



The New Alumni Room and New Communication Channels

Following the completion of the new South Wing in SPC, we were finally able to secure a permanent home for the Alumni Association on the 8/F of this new building. The formal opening ceremony was held on 2nd December 2007. Now the alumni can have a place to do our work and we have employed a part-time assistant, **Ms. Priscilla Fan**, to handle daily affairs of the Association. In addition, with the help of **Simon Lee**, we have set up a group in Facebook so that alumni news and announcements could be distributed promptly.



If you wish to know more about the Alumni Association or wish to update your contact, please feel free to visit our webpage www.alumni.org.hk, our Facebook group, or send a fax to 2546 2248. We shall endeavour to keep you posted on all the latest development of our beloved Alma Mater.

Vincent Fung
Chairman
SPC Alumni Association

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Welcome ! New Staff 2007-08



From Left to Right:

Mr. WONG Chun Lung, Alex – Teacher Librarian, English Language

Miss FERNANDES, Nalini Ann Marie – English Language

Mr. TSE Shing Ngat – Chinese Language and Putonghua

Mr. TAM Shau Cheuk, Donald – Mathematics, Computer and Information Technology and Computer Literacy

Miss YUEN Wing Yan – Visual Arts and Chinese Language

Miss LAU Sze Man, Suze Ceaminia – Religious Studies



Miss SIU Siu Har, Rossana –
Youth Worker



Mr. WONG Wai Tung –
Laboratory Technician

Results of the 60th HK Schools Music Festival 2008

Group	Result
Madrigal Groups (with BPS)	Merit
Madrigal Groups (with SSGC)	Merit
Senior Choir (Singing in Foreign Language)	2nd
Treble Choir (Singing in English)	1st
Intermediate Choir (Singing in English)	1st
Treble Choir (Anthems)	3rd
Senior Choir (Singing in Chinese)	2nd
Intermediate Choir (Singing in Chinese)	3rd

Admissions to Tertiary Institutions

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
University of Hong Kong	29	25	31	18	26	33	22	24	24	26	21
The Chinese University of Hong Kong	5	13	10	11	7	9	16	8	9	15	14
Hong Kong University of Science & Technology	6	9	7	7	9	10	4	7	6	6	7
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	11	4	4	6	4	8	6	6	9	2	7
City University of Hong Kong	9	8	11	11	11	8	5	6	1	2	9
Hong Kong Baptist University	3	1	1	4	2	2	4	4	1	1	1
Lingnan University	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	2	2
Shue Yan University	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Hong Kong Institute of Education	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Institutions (Overseas)	0	0	0	3	3	2	6	3	11	4	4
Institutions (China)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Associate Degree / Higher Diploma	0	0	0	6	9	4	9	10	18	16	11
Total	63	60	64	66	72	77	75	74	79	75	78

Sports Achievements 2007-2008

Apart from Music, St. Paul's also excelled at Sports. Let us take a look at some achievements, to name just a few:

Group	Result
Badminton [Division One]	A Grade- Fourth B Grade-2 nd Runners-up
Basketball [Division One]	A Grade-2 nd Runners-up
Football [Division Two]	B Grade-2 nd Runners-up
Volleyball [Division Two]	A Grade –Fourth
Hockey Team	6 th Hong Kong Youth Hockey Tournament- 2 nd Runners-up U16 Championship Division-1 st Runner-up
Archery Team	Yeung Anthony Tsun Hang (F.2E) and Lam Jamie Holden (F.2F) received champion and 1 st Runner- up (Compound Bow Junior Division) respectively in the 51 st Sports Festival Archery Tournament.
Athletics Team	For the 07-08 Inter-school Athletics Championships, Chan Yick Hin (F.2B), Cheung Wai Ching (F.3B) and Yu Kin Wai (F.6A) all came 1 st Runner-up in Long Jump, 800m and High Jump respectively. Ng Tit Ho of F.7C held the championship for Javelin.

Two of our boys also took part in the Modern Dance Competition and Ballroom Dancing Championships. **Jeffrey Hung** (F.1E) won the First Prize in the Inter-school Modern Dance Competition. **Chan Tsz Hei Gary** (F.1C) not only did he win the championship in Hong Kong School Ballroom Dancing Championships but also performed Ballroom Dancing in HKPA Ceremony. Whereas **Yip Tsun Yuen** (F.7B) won the Hong Kong Student Sports Award 2008.

Apart from student participation in sports, Our Staff Basketball Team did well this year! They became Champion in the Teachers' Sports Festival ("同心迎奧運" 教師體育節) organised by the Hong Kong Federation of Education Workers (香港教育工作者聯會). Over 30 teams of school teachers participated in the 3-on-3 basketball competition. Congratulations!

Alumni News

1974

Associate Professor and Interim Department Head **Kwan Man Bun** is teaching Chinese History mainly at Cincinnati University.

1989



Enoch Hui and wife **Helena Hung** – both were in (7A) in 1989 with their elder daughter Clara and new born younger daughter NamNam.

2005

Maximillian Jerome Wu has been admitted to Dartmouth College, USA. Dartmouth College is one of the most prestigious Colleges in the Ivy League.

2 of our alumni are in the latest Honours list. **Professor Chan Kei Bui** 陳其鏞博士 has been awarded the Medal of Honour (MH) and **Dr. Saimond Ip** 葉松茂博士 has been awarded the Chief Executive's Commendation in Community Service (CEC). Congratulations to both of them!

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Below we have two sweet babies. Guess the names of the parents: -



Charlotte Yuen 10-month old
(Mr. Dennis Yuen's daughter)



Brandon Yuen 5-month old
(Mr. Alan Yuen's son)

Miss **Susan Tsang**, our English teacher, and Mr. Ben Chan held their Hong Kong wedding reception on 22nd March, 2008. Congratulations!

News From Mr. Emerson

In May 2008, **G C Emerson**, who retired from St Paul's in 2000, spent two weeks in London visiting HK friends, former colleagues and former students. Below are three photos from London:

Kerry Thorpe Samuel was Chaplain at St Paul's in the 1990s. She married Adrian Samuel after returning to England. They are both ordained priests of the Anglican Church and live in Twickenham.



In Kew Gardens, May 2008, from left to right - Ruth Samuel, Sheila Thorpe (Kerry's mother), Kerry Thorpe Samuel, Esther Samuel, G C Emerson.

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Left to right: Betty Wong Primrose, Michael Stewart, Gary Chan, G C Emerson, Robert Primrose.

Michael Stewart is the son of former Principal, **E G Stewart** (who died 50 years ago this year.) **Betty Wong Primrose** is the daughter of **Wong Shiu Pun**, St Paul's teacher who died in Stanley in 1943 during the Japanese occupation.

This year, 4 December 2008, Michael Stewart will come from England to speak at the St. Paul's College Speech Day. Each Speech Day, two trophies are awarded: The **Wong Shiu Pun Trophy** for Religious Education and The **Mrs Phillis Wong Shield** for Community Service, both named after Betty Wong Primrose's father and mother. The photo was taken at the Primrose's home in Kew Garden, London, May 2008.



A mini St. Paul's reunion. From left to right: seated - Isa Thomas, G C Emerson, **Graham Thomas** (Graham taught history at St. Paul's in early 1970s); standing - Sylvia Bai from Shenzhen, **Isaac Fung Chun-hai** (7B 2000), now finishing his PhD at Imperial College, **Fred Chak** (5B 1998), a curator in London, and **Atlas Fung** (7A 2000), a transport planner in Epsom.

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Chamber Choir Visit

We were honoured to have the Chamber Choir of Sasbach, Germany with us for music exchange and a joint concert with our Choir on Friday 16th May 2008.

Our guests arrived early at our School and soon after Dr. Kennard's welcoming speech, both



choirs started their rehearsals. They performed "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" and "Shui Xian Hua". The Choirs demonstrated how music had joined them together in spite of location and language! They then presented two concerts to all our boys and had time to play football before they left!

Over the past ten years, apart from local concerts in Sasbach and the surrounding region, the Chamber Choir has performed in concert tours to Italy, the Netherlands, France, Russia (St. Petersburg), Hungary and the Czech Republic. In addition, their performances have been broadcast on radio.



The 40th Joint School Science Exhibition (JSSE)

Our students won the Overall Champion Award at the 40th Joint-School Science Exhibition (JSSE) in August 2007.

The establishment of Joint School Science Exhibition (J.S.S.E.) aims at arousing public interest in science, fostering scientific research, as well as encouraging cooperation among local schools.

Apart from the Overall Championship title, our College received the Most Popular Participating School Award and the Achievement in Engineering and Technology Award for the Most Innovative Project at the Exhibition. Our project was entitled "The Shock-induced Battery", and the project holders were all from Form 6B and 6C, and **Ng Tit Ho** also collected the Best Presenter Award.



From Left to Right: **Chow Tsz Lam** (6C), **Wong Hoi Kin** (6B), **Ma Tsun Ting** (6C), **Ng Tit Ho** (6C), **Tong Wing Yan** (6C), **Chow Siu Kwan Derek** (6C) and **So Chun Yin** (6C).

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From Left to Right: **Ng Tit Ho** (6C) and **Mrs. Y.H. Chung**.



From Left to Right: **Mrs. Y.H. Chung**, **Ng Tit Ho** (6C), **Ma Tsun Ting** (6C), **Liu San Chi** (6C) , **So Chun Yin** (6C) and **Ma Chi Man** (6B).

The First World's Leading Schools Football Championship



St. Paul's College was invited by the International Forum of Leading Schools Standing Committee to participate in the First World's Leading Schools Football Championship from 20th to 26th October 2007 in Beijing.

The competition was jointly hosted by the European Union Education Foundation and Chinese Schools Football Association. Eight renowned schools from different parts of the world joined this event. They were: Eton College, Dulwich College and Sutton Grammar School from the UK, Amstelveen College from the Netherlands, The High School Affiliated to Renmin University, Beijing No.4 High School and Beijing Luhe High School from China. It was an honour for St. Paul's College to represent Hong Kong.

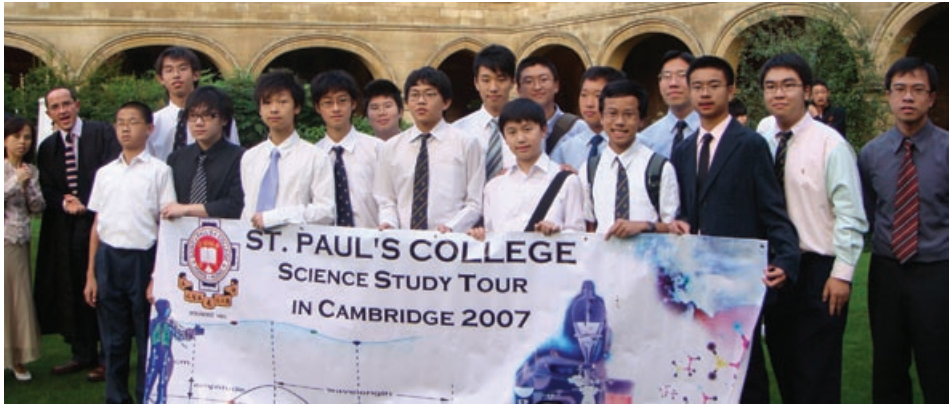
The experience gained in Beijing was fruitful and unforgettable. It was a wonderful opportunity for our boys to build friendship with other boys on

an informal basis. Apart from football, various activities were organised. We visited the Summer Palace, Wan Fu Jing Da Jie and the landmark of Beijing, the Great Wall.



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Science Tour to Cambridge



Fifteen of our students went to Cambridge for a two-week Science study tour which was led by **Mr. Au Yeung** and **Mr. Yeung**. This tour was organized and accompanied by Ms. Rebecca Clarke of Cambridge University in the UK. It was a joint-school tour with St. Stephen's College, St. Stephen's Girls' College, HK Wah Yan College, Kowloon Wah Yan College and La Salle College.

During the fourteen-day tour, students lived in groups with their mentors, who were studying in Sidney Sussex

College. They had Physics, Chemistry and Biology lessons in Lucy Cavendish College and in the laboratory of Perse School. After the lessons, students had discussions with their mentors.

The boys spent a number of days visiting Cambridge and Oxford. They also visited Chelsea Football Club; a marvellous opportunity for them to visit one of the best football teams in England. They also enjoyed a West End Show named "Wicked", visited the Science Museum, and punted in the River Cam.



Sciences Po Europe – Asia Conference 2008

Between 27th April and 4th May, 5 Form Six students (**Siu Wai Lok, Lui Hong Yat, Suen Shing Yu, Tang Tsz Hong, Brian** and **Wong Michael Gar Jun**), **Mr. Alvin Yu** (Careers Master) and **Mr. Alex Wong** (Teacher Librarian) took part in the Sciences Po Europe – Asia Conference 2008 organised by the Students' Union of Sciences Po Paris (Le Havre). The aim of the conference was to bring together young people from different cities in Europe and Asia to discuss important issues concerning the two regions and the world as a whole. The conference themes included "The Future of Europe & Asia", "Media and Social Freedoms", "Energy and Sustainable Development", "Regional Integration" and "Culture, Religion, Thought and Language".



Apart from students from St. Paul's College, students from schools in Russia, France, Singapore and Mainland China also took part in the conference. Five lectures, one on each of the aforementioned themes, were given by experts and professors from Sciences Po. At the end of each lecture, a Q&A session was scheduled to help the students deepen their understanding of the topic. In addition, three debates were scheduled to give them an opportunity to express themselves. The different backgrounds of the students

helped to create favourable dynamics which made possible these occasions for meaningful exchanges of ideas and views. Our students have no doubt benefited greatly from these debates and the lectures which were both engaging and inspiring.



Le Havre is a beautiful coastal city in Normandy. Our students learnt a lot about this war-torn city and its architectural history. A visit to the Andre Malraux Museum broadened their knowledge on Impressionist Art. Interaction with their foreign counterparts brought new friendships and helped our students see things from different perspectives. The Gala Dinner introduced them to French cuisine and etiquette. All in all, this inaugural conference was a truly unforgettable experience for both the organisers and the participants. We went with high expectations and we were not disappointed at all.



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21st World Scout Jamboree



In 2007, Scouting celebrated its Centenary and the 21st World Scout Jamboree was the main world centenary event. It gathered more than 40,000 Scouts from around the world for 13 days from 27 July to 8 August in Hylands Park, Essex, England. They came from a variety of cultures, backgrounds and religions and celebrated what united them and learnt what they could do together to help build a better world. August 1st was a unique and important day in the history of World Scouting. At 8 a.m., a Scout played a

kudu horn on Brownsea Island to mark the 100th anniversary of Baden-Powell opening the first Scout Camp. Across the globe, Scouts renewed their promise during a Sunrise Ceremony at 8 a.m. local time. The Scout Association of Hong Kong selected 500 members to participate in

the Jamboree; the largest Hong Kong Contingent to attend the Jamboree. With the support of the school, the Western District and the Scout



Association of Hong Kong, 22 Scouts and 6 Venture Scouts led by our Group Scout Leader **Mr. Yeung Yat Yu** and Scout Leader **Mr. Ho Chuen Yan** were selected to be the Contingent members representing Hong Kong in the World Scout Jamboree. Our group was the largest among all the groups of the Contingent.



St. Paul's College - English Fun Day 2008

Laughter and smiling faces were found in the English Fun Day held on 22nd February 2008 (Friday). Organised by the English Society of St. Paul's College, the event aimed to provide all junior form students with a language-rich, pressure-free and enjoyable environment to learn English outside the classroom.

'As the Mainland's worst snowstorms have caused havoc and thousands of people are hard hit, we want to make use of this fun day to raise funds for them,' says **Mr. David Chan**, the organiser of this event.



'We think this is a particularly meaningful activity – because not only do we try to stimulate our students to learn English through various English activities, but we can raise money for a good cause,' said Mr. Chan. In fact, with the full support from the College Principal, **Dr. John Kennard**, St. Paul's College attaches much importance to

students' all-round development. Through organising an event like this, students can learn English and have fun at the same time. This is something that they cannot get from textbooks.

Game booths, designed and manned by members of the English Society, were set up for all the junior form students to encourage them to take part in various language activities. What was most special was that there were food stalls serving mouth-watering tit-bits such as pop corn and curry fish balls prepared by students and parents.



This year, the school raised close to \$10,000 for the victims caught in the snowstorms on the Mainland.

Harbin: A New Direction in the Global Classroom

Over the years, our students have traversed the globe, visiting all continents, with the exception of South America. They have been to such diverse locations as Iceland and South Africa, seen castles, palaces, glaciers, waterfalls, space craft and fun parks. But this year they will participate in an entirely new project: community service in China.

Earlier this year, the **Rev. Paul Tong** at St. John's College, HKU, told me something of his work in Hulan County to the north of Harbin. The Rev. Paul has been tireless in his establishment of local schools and educational facilities in the Hulan community. I immediately expressed interest in St. Paul's being somehow involved in this work. It was decided that we send a team of students to Hulan to participate in community service. In early May, **Miss Angeline Chan** from our English Department and I accompanied the Rev. Tong on a pre-tour visit. We met with local government and education officials and set in place the arrangements for our community service work in late June. The College will send a party of

13 Form 6 students, 5 undergraduate alumni and 3 members of staff to Hulan for 10 days. The 17 boys and 1 girl will spend five days undertaking physical labour, laying paving stones for a playground in a new Primary School. They will also spend two days in a remote agricultural community, teaching English to children in the village Primary School.



This will be a rewarding and moving experience for our students and teachers, particularly coming so soon after the terrible earthquake in Sichuan Province, and is a project that I hope will continue for many years.

John Kennard

The St. Paul's College Foundation Ltd.

The Foundation has been established to ensure that boys who attend the College are provided with a first-class learning environment. It is through the generosity of donors that income, additional to that provided by Government and School Fees, can be directed at improving facilities and programmes in both the College and the Primary School.

The Foundation Committee has set an inaugural target of HK\$50,000,000 to be directed at a number of projects, including the relocation of the Primary School to the corner of Pokfulam and Victoria Roads; additional student scholarships; and the provision of advanced e-learning facilities.

As part of their 40th Anniversary

celebrations, alumni from the Class of 1967 generously donated in excess of one million dollars and in so doing became the first donor to the Foundation. This money was put toward the refurbishment of the newly renovated Wong Ming Him Hall and the Class of 1967 will be appropriately recognised in the building that holds so many memories for Old Boys. It is hoped that other classes will consider following the lead of the Class of 1967 and make a tangible contribution to their alma mater.

If you would like more information about the Foundation or to make a donation, please contact Ms. Josephine Ho, Secretary to the Foundation, at kmh@spc.edu.hk



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The St. Paul's College Foundation Ltd.*
Supporting Your Alma Mater



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The Foundation has set an inaugural target of HK\$50,000,000.

The Foundation will immediately support a number of projects including the relocation of the Primary School, student scholarships and e-learning.

For more information on the Foundation or to make a donation please contact the Secretary to the Foundation, Miss Josephine Ho (852) 2546-2241 or kmh@spc.edu.hk

If you wish to approach the Principal personally please contact Dr. Kennard at jrk@spc.edu.hk

*Registration Pending

SPCAA NYC gathering

The SPCAA NYC had a fruitful evening on 17th May, 2008 which was a Saturday. They held an informal discussion after a leisurely dinner. **Anthony Chiu** (F5,1971) have brought them news of SPCAA-Hong Kong like Watermelon Cup and mentoring programme. They would like to give more support to recent graduates attending colleges in USA and Canada. They even started to plan for the 160th Anniversary Celebration in 2011.



From Left to Right:

Andrew Cheng, Kit Lam, Wing Chui, Paul Lee, Alvis Ko, Anthony Chiu

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SPC Alumni Association of Vancouver

The SPC Alumni Association of Vancouver held a dinner to welcome Dr. Kennard on the evening of 17th June, 2008. Here are the photographs.



From left to right

3rd row: Watt Chi Ngong, Peter Wu, Daniel Chan, Alwin Leung, Boniface Lau, Wong On Lee and Eddie Wong

2nd row: Tony Tang, Henry Chan, Wilfred Wong, Kelly Ip, Simon Wong, James Ip, Ken Hui, Frank Ho, Wilson Cheung and King Li

Front row : Tony Wong, Gloria Siu (former English teacher), Linda Kennard, John Kennard, Thomas Leung (former Chemistry teacher) and May Leung



Tony Kai Ming Wong, the current President of the SPC Alumni Association of Vancouver receiving a souvenir from Dr. John Kennard.

Class of '66 Grand Reunion

"Is it not a pleasure to learn, and to repeat the learning periodically? Is it not a delight to have a friend visit from faraway?" (Lunyu [The Analects], Book 1, section 1.)

子曰：「學而時習之，不亦說乎？有朋自遠方來，不亦樂乎？」 < 論語 >

The SPC Class of '66 ("Old Boys" who graduated in Form 5 in 1966) is glad to report its 2nd (annual) reunion gathering this year which was celebrated with a dinner at the facilities of Hong Kong Medical Association (2nd Floor, Chinese Club Building, 21-22 Connaught Road Central) on 2nd November, 2007. Thirty-two members of the Class managed to attend the 2nd November gathering, along with seven former members of the faculty of SPC who had been our teachers and mentors.

Many fond – albeit perhaps a bit hoary – memories were shared by the members of the Class and by our former teachers, as well as news of many classmates who are now living in places far away and were thus unable to partake of the joy of the reunion with us in person. Time may have passed and memories may have become less reliable than they once were, even with the aid of the many old and sometimes faded photographs that were passed around at the dinner, and yet the happiness that we saw on one another's faces as (literally) old friends met again who had not seen each other for decades is a priceless gift that we shall forever hold dear.

We were particularly blessed that Dr. John Kennard, current Principal of our alma mater was able to find time to attend this gathering and to address the "old boys". Dr. Kennard informed us the current developments at St. Paul's, such as the status of the School's DSS funding and plans to preserve and renovate our beloved Wong Ming Him Hall and to convert it into an archival space for alumni. Principal Kennard furthermore informed us of plans, on the part of SPC, to publish another history of the School in 2011 on its 160th anniversary. He also extended a gracious invitation to the Class of '66 to visit SPC whenever we have the opportunity, and urged us to hold future reunion activities at Wong Ming Him Hall.

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Front Row:

Wu Lang Meng, Antony / Ip Ka Lam / Shum Kun Lam, Henry / Lo Ni Boon,
Peter / Ng Yue Yung / Yim Chi Ming / Chan Yuk Choi / Wong Kai Fan/ Law Chi
Lim, Robert

Middle Row (Seated):

Kan Shiu Cheong, Frederick / Chow Yiu Wah, Philip / Cheung Kok Kee, Philip /
Teacher, Mr. Yuen Chik Kam /Teacher, Mr. Peter Kwok / Principal, Dr. John
Kennard/ Teacher, Mr. Lee Chee Wah, Wilfred / Teacher, Mr. Geoffrey C.
Emerson /Teacher, Mr. Yu Pak Chuen, Henry / Teacher, Mr. Ng Chi Him,
Kenneth / Teacher, Mr. Mak lu Kwan, Kevin (not in photo) / Sin Wing
Sang, Edward / Tong Tak Cheung, Ronald

Back Row:

Ip Chung Sang, Joseph / Tam Man Wai, Mark / Choi Lap Chung, Nico / Tang
Kwok Wing, George / Ho Che Shun, Jackson / Lee Dad Yan / Fung Chi Yeung /
Lam Chuen Fong / Leung Siu Kwong, Jacob / Fu Hoo Kin, Frank / Tse Sik Yan /
Mah Cheuk On, Bernard / Lai Cheuk Fan, Raymond /Tsui Kam Cheung,
Kenneth / Lun Hung Kit, Thomas / Ng Chi Keung / Yau Tai Nin, Sonny / Lo
Chun Kay

Class of '67 Dinner

Last December, the Class of 1967 held a gathering dinner at the School Hall to celebrate their 40th anniversary graduation. With the assistance and support of the School, the dinner was successful and happy. Every alumni who attended enjoyed themselves very much throughout the evening.



40 years is not a short period. This gathering was greatly supported by the Class of 1967. Some of the overseas members did make a trip to fly all the way back to Hong Kong with their family because of this event. Also, most of the Class of 1967 made generous donations and collected over 1 million for school development matter.

The night would not be successful without the teachers who used to teach the Class of 1967. Before dinner started, they invited Dr. Kennard, the current Principal of SPC to make a speech and to mention some of the 'outstanding records' of the Class of 1967: such as eating, drinking, talking or sleeping in classes. This proved that SPC students have not changed much during the last half century.

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When some of the alumni shared their fond memories of the College, they all expressed a strong sense of belonging to the College. They also acknowledged that they had felt connected with one another through St. Paul's Spirit over the last forty years, despite the time and space that separated them. They counted the time spent in St. Paul's among the very best of their lives.

During the dinner, a series of photos showing the past and present of Class 1967 was displayed. While some served as visual updates on their fellow classmates, many of them brought back fond memories. The alumni took the opportunity to express their gratitude to their English teacher, **Mrs. Shirley Yung**, who also attended the dinner. Some of them had regarded Mrs. Yung as their idol back in their school years. On behalf of the entire class, **Mr. Wong King Ming** gave her a kiss as a warm expression of their heartfelt gratitude to their beloved teacher.



The evening ended on a joyful note. The Organising Committee chaired by **Dr. Ian Chan** and **Mr. Wong King Ming** hoped that a reunion activity will be arranged once a year.

Jay Simon Lee (1996)
Son of **Dr. Lee Kwok Huen** of 1967

Class of 1979 30th Anniversary Reunion Dinner

Dear Old Boys of the Class of 1979,

Time flies!!!

It is almost 30 years since we graduated from our alma mater, St. Paul 's College. We, being the "old cakes", are becoming more and more obsessed with our memories in SPC. Do you still remember singing the school song? Playing watermelon football in Lower or Upper Playground? Art & Craft class at Wong Ming Him Hall? Of course, there are many other things that we cherish. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we can get together again among ourselves and our beloved teachers after all these years?

We would like to proudly inform you that several silly but brave Paulines (**Sammy Chan, Micky Leung, Joe Chin, Ricky Chan, Azmat Mui** and others) have volunteered to organise a Grand Re-Union Dinner which is scheduled to be held on 22nd August, 2009 (Saturday) in the School Hall! More information will reach you via different channels in the coming months, but please do one thing now, mark the date on your calendar.

Looking forward to seeing how you have (or have not) changed,

Organizing Committee

30th Anniversary Grand Reunion Dinner

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Staff News

In memory

Mr. Andrew S. Pun 潘紹強
Science Teacher and Scoutmaster

An article written by a student taught by Mr. Andrew Pun is on page 32.



Mr. Chan Ho Ming 陳浩明 – taught at St. Paul's from 1977 - 1992. He taught Chinese Language and Chinese History

<http://chan-ho-ming.forumotion.com/your-first-forum-f1/>

Students taught by Mr. Chan Ho Ming have created the above forum so as to share fond memories of their beloved teacher.

Mr. Wong Kai Chuen 黃啟泉 - Mathematics teacher from 1970-1976, then Head of Mathematics from 1976-1995. He became Vice Principal from 1995 to 2005.



Mr and Mrs Wong on Family Day, 2005

Mr. James T. Barnett – English Teacher from 1976-1980.

In memory: Mr. Andrew Poon

Some teachers you soon forget; some teachers you don't forget but rather forget; but there are the few that you don't forget because they made a positive impact on your life: **Mr. Andrew Poon** was such a teacher.

At a time when teaching was largely spoon feeding, Mr. Poon stood out as one of the pioneers who taught his students to think, to investigate and in his own words, "to acquire first hand knowledge." He was probably the first science teacher at St. Paul's who urged his students to go out and collect specimens (his famous "glass sandwich"), and to hand in a "science project" at the end of the semester. He was always fooling around with something in the laboratory so he could show us something interesting during class, while all the other science teachers were content with just sitting around and moving text from book to blackboard.

Mr. Poon was also one of the pioneers to run a science club at St. Paul's. In the late 50s, a group of students from Form 3 organized a science club: the "Anode Science Association" on their own and operated it outside of the school. Mr. Poon was the one who initiated and encouraged the

incorporation of this club under the Students' Association.

Although a strict disciplinarian when it came to school regulations, Mr. Poon had a human side; after lessons he would chat cordially and joke with students and the boy scouts (of which he was the Scout Master). Many of us still remember fondly his famous banana story.

In the late 60s Mr. Poon emigrated to the United States and worked in the LSI (Large Scale Integration circuitry) area. I wrote to him thanking him for being an inspirational teacher whose philosophy of "first hand knowledge" had become a guiding principle of our professional lives. I lost contact with him a few years later, and the next time I heard about him was that he had left this chaotic world to seek eternal rest. I had ample opportunity to visit him, but never got around to do so, something that I regret very much.

David Stephen (1961), wrote on the passing of Mr. Andrew Poon, Science and Biology teacher and Scout Master in the 50s and 60s.

29 years since Form 5

My name is **Ben Lam (林旭 Lam Yuk)**. I attended the kindergarten, the primary and the secondary schools at St. Paul's. It has been 29 years since I graduated from Form 5 in 1978. I was elected to be the class monitor from Form 1 to Form 5. That, however, was nothing to boast about. Following the tradition of democracy, the class always elected a class monitor who had the least ability to manage and that would mean the class' interest was protected. I was also nominated to be a school prefect in Form 5. My biggest challenge was to deal with students who spent the whole recess combing their hair in the lavatory.

I left Hong Kong for Australia after my Form 5 and also three months of Form 6. I completed my high school in Sydney, Australia and then went on to complete a Bachelor degree (Computer Science) at the University of Sydney. I also completed a Master degree (Manufacturing Engineering) at the University of Warwick in England and another Master degree (Banking and Finance) at the University of New South Wales back in Australia again. I have always considered that it is a character flaw to have too many degrees, as if I were avoiding something in life.

Since my life at St. Paul's, I have lived, studied and worked in Europe, America, Africa and Asia, in both private and public sectors. I once became the Principal Consultant to the State Premier of New South Wales in Australia 15 years ago, giving advice to high technology. I was also responsible for the capital budgets and strategic planning of over 80 government agencies. I became the youngest public servant ever promoted to the rank of Principal Consultant of the New South Wales Government. That was long before there was such a thing called Internet when fax machine was a status symbol, several people had to share

one microcomputer and only the best corporations had local area networks. I retired from the Australian Government three years ago as Australia's Senior Investment Commissioner for China and South East Asia, which was Australia's most highly paid officer posted overseas. Between government careers, I also worked throughout the world in the telecommunications industry, the health industry and the banking industry.

Currently, I am the Executive President of the China arm of a US venture capital fund, focusing on media, health, education and high technology. I am greatly involved in building orphanages and sponsoring scholarships in China as well as engaging in government level activities such as the Beijing Olympic Games, Shanghai Special Olympic Games, Singapore Season and so on. I often organise concerts, music videos, charity auctions and TV programmes in China. It is my belief of Corporate Social Responsibility - a philosophy that the private sectors engage themselves in charitable work in order to benefit the society.

Winter is coming up. I currently have a donation drive for an orphanage in Heilongjiang where winter temperature is 30 degrees below zero and the orphanage desperately needs heating coal. There are also many street children in Heilongjiang who would perish during the winter. The smart street children would crawl underground and hug the heating pipes all through the winter in order to survive. So every winter we try to save as many street children as we can. Last winter we saved 30 of them. This is our third year of operation in Heilongjiang. For more information, please feel free to browse the web site www.embraceinternational.com, or contact me on: ben.lam@mergentcapital.com or ybenlam@gmail.com.

News from St. Paul's College - Primary School

My warm greetings to all alumni, colleagues, boys and girls, parents and friends of the St. Paul's family,

Let me share with you news of Primary Section!

Started in September 2002, we launched a 5-phase guidance programme: Service Starts from Home (2002), Love Our Family Love Our School (2003), Love Our Community (2004, 2005), Love Our Country (2006), and, Embrace the World (2007, 2008). We feel that it is important for our students to realise the contributions they can make to their families, their role in the local community, their country and the world – Taking part in activities as diverse as “dress special” days, flag days and flower sales, collecting “Lai See” for the needy and donations for disaster relief (to help those affected by the snowstorms in China earlier this year, the cyclone in Burma and the Sichuan earthquake) has allowed them to understand community needs and how they can help. To help the students identify their national identity, we organised a ‘root finding’ trip to China in April 2007 and various activities to do with the Beijing Olympic Games. In June 2008, a group of students, teachers and parents travelled to Qing Yuan in China as part of the “Paul’s Action” campaign. The programme this year, “Embrace the World”, has helped the boys see clearly the importance of caring for the planet, to appreciate and respect different cultures. The boys researched different topics in relation to national cultures and customs and shared their thoughts and findings. All the activities were supported enthusiastically by parents, without whose help many would not have been possible.

Throughout these years we have also focussed on the needs of the individual in school. To address the different learning needs and interests of as many of the boys as possible, we have continued with sports, music and speech training, uniform groups, and initiated a number of schemes- Chinese lessons continue to be taught in Putonghua – this follows a two-year pilot scheme which began in September 2004, extensive consultation with staff and parents through meetings and questionnaires. Some students have shared in the English Ambassadors Club. Others have widened

their knowledge of drama in the Drama Club, which prepared and presented a “Shadow Drama” based on Lewis Carroll’s famous poem Jabberwocky. The Olympic Maths Club continues to extend the abilities of those with special aptitude for mathematics. A Budding Scientists Club has been very successful this year. Students from JC4-6 have made working models of robots, cars, planes and boats, taken part in competitions and visited places of interest in Hong Kong. Members have been enhanced by this scheme and three of them attained First Honour in the Hong Kong Budding Scientists Awards (2007-2008) which was organised by the Education Bureau for gifted students. Those students with special learning needs have greatly benefitted from speech therapy programmes, the Understanding the Adolescent Programme and the Sunny Boys Club.

Our attention has not just been on helping the students but also on supporting, assisting and strengthening the quality of our teachers. The School Self Assessment scheme and an on-going staff development programme go hand-in-hand to enhance teaching and learning among teachers and boys.

The Primary School Parent Teacher Association has become an integral part of the school community. Parents serve in the different functions of the PTA, popping from home or office to school to tell the little ones stories, relieve teachers from lunch duties, help ordering and wrapping books for the library, stand in the sun or the rain to be time-keepers or position judges during sports events, organise drama shows and outings for the boys, and make donations generously whenever the School appeals to them.

Last but not least, the Primary School is working closely with the College, not only to ensure a smooth transition for the JC6 to fit into F1, but also to strengthen the bond of all stakeholders in the ONE SCHOOL, in fulfilling the mission and goals on the many generations to come. With the clear direction of the College Council and their unfailing support, all stakeholders are working as ONE in making St. Paul's College a better school than ever!

Yvonne Chan

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Wong Ming Him Hall after renovation



The Second Floor of Wong Ming Him Hall is renovated to be both a meeting area and an archive show room.

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A pantry is located at the corner of the Second Floor.

Some archive cabinets can be found near the entrance to the Second Floor.



Yes, you have guessed it right! We can enjoy dancing and drama on the whole first floor, the Rehearsal Room.

The Stewart Dinner

Hosted by the St. Paul's College Foundation
To celebrate the life and service of Col. E.G. Stewart
Who passed away 50 years ago this December



Date: Saturday 6 December 2008
Time: 7.00pm cocktails; 8.00pm dinner
Venue: School Hall, St. Paul's College
69 Bonham Road, Hong Kong

Guest of Honour



Col. Michael Stewart, son of E.G. Stewart

Price: HK\$750

Dress: business suit

RSVP: Miss Josephine Ho, Secretary to the Foundation

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The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom

