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Goodbye Dr. Kennard

Dr. Kennard is leaving us at the end of August. He will depart Hong Kong to take up his new role as Principal of The British School, Warsaw, Poland.

Dr. Kennard joined the St. Paul's College family in January 2006 and has steered our College over the past eight and a half years. During his time the College has advanced on many fronts not least the improvement in facilities at the Bonham Road Campus, the expansion of the Global Classroom programme, the relocation of the SPC Primary School to Victoria Road, and numerous other programmes and initiatives. He oversaw a Comprehensive Review of the College and the implementation of the educational reforms that lead to the New Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education.

The College Council has set up a Search Committee for the new Principal. We wish Dr. Kennard every success in his new post as Principal, The British School, Warsaw.

Principal's Message

The end of another extremely busy school year has come to a close. This year was successful on a number of fronts and I congratulate all the boys on their commitment and perseverance.

In recent months the English Debating Team was crowned Champion in the 2014 Inter-school Debating Competition. This was followed by the College being placed second Runner-up in the 2014 Joint School Librarianship Competition. Continuing the English Language theme the Drama Team delivered a brilliant performance at the 2014 English Drama Fest (Modern Drama). The boys secured the Outstanding Script award and Hysan Woo (4A) was named Outstanding Performer.

In Sport the Athletics Team was Overall Champion in the C Division in the Inter-School competition. This excellent result resulted in the College's promotion to the B Division next year and a return to the Wan Chai Sports Ground for Sports Day. This year the College Swimming Team was well-placed in the A Division at the Inter-school Swimming Competition held at the Kowloon Park Swimming Pool. All boys swam particularly well and the College was placed fifth Overall and placed fourth in C grade; the highest placements in a number of years. This year the school sent a Cheer Team (comprised of the Cheer Teams of each of the 6 Houses) to provide vocal support for the swimmers. The vociferous chanting was of great encouragement to the Swimming Team members and enhanced their individual and relay performances. The Archery Team secured the Championship in the 2014 Hong Kong Youth Indoor Archery Tournament (compound bow). On the Badminton court the team enjoyed another triumphant season in the Inter-school Badminton competition being placed 2nd Overall (A Grade-2nd, B Grade-Champion, C Grade-2nd). The Ten-pin Bowling Team was placed 3rd in the 2014 Inter-school Bowling Competition.

The College had been running an Artist-in-Residence programme for a number of years. This flourishing programme was extended to an Academic-in-Residence programme this past school year. Dr. Chiara Ciccarelli, a research fellow at the University of Cambridge (Gonville and Caius College), spent two weeks at the College working with the teachers and boys. Dr. Ciccarelli was well-received by all and provided valuable insights into the research world of Physics.

The Reverend Philip Murphy joined St. Paul's in September 2013 and was embraced immediately by teachers and boys. Father Philip introduced twice weekly services in the College Chapel and new formats to the Christmas and Easter services. However, it was the weekly iAssembly that engaged the interest not only of teachers and boys but also parents, alumni and the wider community. Succinct, stimulating and thought-provoking, the iAssemblies added a new dimension to the spiritual life of the school.

St. Paul's College is an exceptional school. Hence it is with sadness that this shall be my last year as Principal of the College and Supervisor of the St. Paul's College Primary school. It has been an honour to serve this great school over the past eight and a half years. Although my professional journey sees my relocation to Europe, I shall look forward to reading the News from St. Paul's in the years to come.

God Bless

John Kennard
Principal

SPCAA MENTORSHIP CELEBRATES ITS TENTH YEAR

Many things have changed in the past ten years at SPC. Back then the transition to DSS schooling had just begun, DSE had not even come on the radar yet, and the open view from the classroom block was still in evidence, as the construction of the South Wing was still in its infancy. Into this cauldron of change was the SPCAA Mentorship Scheme born.

It was originally envisaged as a fairly directed process of helping the Form 6 students to focus their career decision making journey. Ten years later, the F6s are now in their final year of schooling, and the Mentorship has been shifted down a year to Form 5, and up quite a few notches in the range and style of services offered by the alumni to the present day students of 2014.

Now, the mentors run a great number of events for our senior students, with four major events every year (Christmas Drinks with the Mentors, Inauguration Day, Careers Day and High Table Dinner), a series of careers dedicated talks in different disciplines in the Lunchtime with the Mentors series, and mentors also contribute to the morning assembly series programme and the end of the year Eminent Speakers Series in the post exam post period. In addition, the mentors actively assist in the exam release day and also contribute to the careers and guidance lessons initiatives, as recent graduates return to share the experience of the first year in tertiary education.

The Mentorship Scheme is undergoing significant growth at both the senior and junior levels. In all, old boys (and girls) have completed over 20 workshops, seminars, and talks for students already this year, and are actively involved in promoting the mentorship at Form 3 levels, where students are making their choices for senior secondary school and investigating internship and site visits for our current students.

While all of our mentors embody the spirit of giving back in service to others, the College Careers Team would especially like to recognise past and present SPCAA chairmen Vincent Fung and Taylor Hui, who have actively steered the mentorship to both broaden and focus efforts to ensure that SPC students are able to make the most of their opportunities. Also, the unflagging efforts of the Chiu brothers, Alan, Philip and George, who lend the breadth of their experience to our students, and Darren Lam, who not only gives countless hours himself, but actively encourages young graduates to do likewise, must be recognised. In doing so, the SPCAA is grooming the next generation of mentors whose experience more readily reflect the new generation of DSE graduates. Also, the past few years have given us the tremendous energy and skills of Christy Chan, who combines her university studies while giving time and effort to all events to ensure the smooth running of the mentorship.

Most important, though, are the mentors themselves, who, over the past ten years, have shared their intimate knowledge of the workplace, and educated the boys in acquiring the skills and proficiencies to succeed in their chosen pathways. They all have shown their commitment to the College students past, present and future. This close, personal relationship is the most critical part in the education of young men—the role models of those who have made the conscious decision to help others in identifying, reaching for, and achieving, their goals.

2005



2009



2007



2010



SPCAA Mentorship : Ten Years On, 2004-2014

As the mentorship celebrates its tenth anniversary, it is worthwhile to look back at how the College has changed over the past ten years. Both in terms of Hong Kong education and SPC, it has been a period of quite extraordinary change.

PHYSICAL PLANT

Anyone who stepped out of SPC in 2004 would immediately recognise the SPC of 2014, but it wouldn't take long to recognise the differences as well. Firstly the open view to HKU has now largely taken up by the South Wing (with, of course, the Podium providing the open view and correct flow through so that our view of our neighbour across the road is reflected through the shimmering swimming pool during the sweltering summer months). All of our classrooms have had major re-fits and the South Wing itself creates the final piece of the quadrangle jigsaw. Rising ten floors above the Pokfulam Rd entrance, it provides a great fitness test for any Form 1 students whose teachers have their desk on the 10th floor. The invitation to 'See me at recess!' is a mixed pleasure-joy at seeing their teacher at recess balanced against the ten floor climb!

Another major change is that constant of College life, the school hall. Refitted in 2007-2008, the hall is now a state of the art facility combined with a balcony lecture theatre which can be closed off for seating of up to 200 students and teachers for specialist talks. It is always interesting to welcome back visiting alumni to speak at this venue- the surprise and admiration at such a facility exists at the College.

The greatest change, is, of course, in the Wong Ming Him Hall. Previously used for music and art classes, the construction of the South Wing has freed up the Wong Ming Him Hall for meetings, drama, art and music specialist classes, along with the College Council Meeting Room, which doubles as an archive. While the Stewart Building and the 160th Anniversary Clock may serve as the first outward signs of proximity to the College, the Wong Ming Him remains the spiritual link with the past, a the flag is raised and lowered from the Wong Ming Him Hall each school day.

NUMBERS GAME

Many schools in Hong Kong, as the birthrate has dropped, have suffered a fall in numbers. St. Paul's College numbers have also decreased enrolment in the past ten years, but this has been a pre-meditated decision to reduce numbers as part of the change to DSS status.

Back when DSS was just commencing, the school boasted almost 1400 students. Nowadays that number is less than 1100 students, as the student- teacher ratio has fallen as the move to small class teaching was pioneered at St. Paul's College. Even as the number of students has fallen, the teaching staff has increased to cater for learner diversity. This represents a radical change from the 40+ students per class that most pre 2004 graduates will remember.

CURRICULAR MATTERS

Numbers are now capped at DSS levels and the College offers a far broader range of subjects. Also, students must now sit for four compulsory exams (English, Chinese, Maths and Liberal Studies) in addition to three electives. Add to this a large number of mandatory SBAs (school based assessments), and the students of 2014 are very busy indeed. As most will be well aware, the old CE and AI system has been gone for 3 years, and now everything is riding on a single set of exams.

Some families have decided that the opportunities further afield- particularly in the UK offer a different set of options, and some students, particularly in the first few years of the DSE, have chosen to undertake their senior secondary education overseas. Ten years ago, there were also many students who left after the CE exams, but this was a 'natural' break as the CE exams occurred after Form 5. Now, some senior students choose to continue their education overseas after either Form 4 or Form 5 as an alternative to the DSE.

The College has investigated a number of other study options to serve our student base, and continues to study, observe, examine and react to the changing patterns of post 16 educational needs, and offer suitable alternatives to our student base.

For information about where our students go after SPC please have a look at our College website. Whatever happens our stakeholders- alumni, parents, teachers, and students are guaranteed a voice in deciding the way forward for the College community.

High Table Dinner 2009



Careers Day 2010



High Table Dinner 2012



La Famiglia Concert

The Summer Concert entitled 'La Famiglia', was a major music event in 2013. It was held on the evening of 6th July 2013 at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts. It was a great chance of collaboration between the primary section, the secondary section as well as numerous alumni. The 'La Famiglia' programme includes performances by St. Paul's College Primary School Choir, College Choirs, College Orchestra, Chinese Instrumental Ensemble, Alumni Choir, Mixed Alumni Choir with St. Stephen's Girls' College Alumnae Choir, as well as the Hip Hop Choir conducted by guest conductor Mr. Cadario. The concert was a great success, and the atmosphere was pushed to the climax when Mr. Raymond Fu, the retiring Head of Music Department, led the performers and audience to sing his piece, the 'La Famiglia' theme song.





News from Mr. Emerson

A lunch was held at the home of the Rev. Jenny Wong Nam in August, 2013, with three former students, now doctors, of Rev. Nam and Mr. G C Emerson.

Seated from left are Dr. Carmen Chan, wife of Thomas, Rev. Nam, Thomas Chan Yam Lai, and Sammy Ng Ping Sum. Standing are Mr. Emerson and Antonio Sek Chi Ho.



Three retired teachers - Dina Shroff, Jenny Nam and Mr Emerson - enjoyed a delicious Parsi lunch and had a good catching up talk session at Mrs Dina Shroff's home in Pokfulam on 4th September 2013. Mrs Shroff and Rev Nam are pointing to a beautiful piece of calligraphy gracing Mrs Shroff's home and done by Mr Chan Kai Hung, their former colleague and head of Chinese at SPC. Mr Chan is now retired in Texas, USA.

News from Mr. Graham



Isa and I invited Grace and Douglas Payne and Chan Chi-hwa and his wife Frances to St Albans today for lunch and a tour of St Albans Abbey, where I am an official guide. Chi-hwa is a surgeon in the Bedfordshire National Health Service.

Mr. Graham also offered that he would be delighted to give a tour to any Old Paulines who plan to visit the Abbey, provided that the readers give him enough notice.

News from Alumni

1961

Dr. Timothy Chung Tim Leung won an award of excellence in Nuclear Science from the Canadian Government on the medical isotope project that he had worked on in the nuclear reactor. A certificate in recognizing this achievement was presented to him by the Prime Minister of Canada, Stephen Harper.



1961

Over the past years, we have kept up the tradition of staying in contact with most of our classmates both in Hong Kong and Overseas via our internet website, as well as meeting once a month at a dinner gathering, with normally 12 to 15 classmates in attendance. In addition, a lunch gathering once a week is held every Friday. Ad-hoc dinner gatherings also take place occasionally to welcome our overseas classmates returning to Hong Kong for a visit. These are wondrous occasions which enable us to enjoy the brotherly spirit that we all share and to reminisce together the good old times we had in school. 2014 will be a watershed year for the class of 1961 as, almost without exception, everyone in the class will have reached the ripe old age of 70. It is a year to be celebrated, and following the tremendous success of our 50th Golden Anniversary Reunion two years ago, another grand reunion is planned to take place in November 2014. Many of our classmates residing in the U.S., Canada, Australia, and other overseas locations have already committed to attend. It is a joyous event eagerly awaited by everyone in the Class. On a sadder note, we have lost two of our beloved classmates in the past two years. Tse Chan Fai passed away in April, 2012, and David Stephen in May, 2013. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

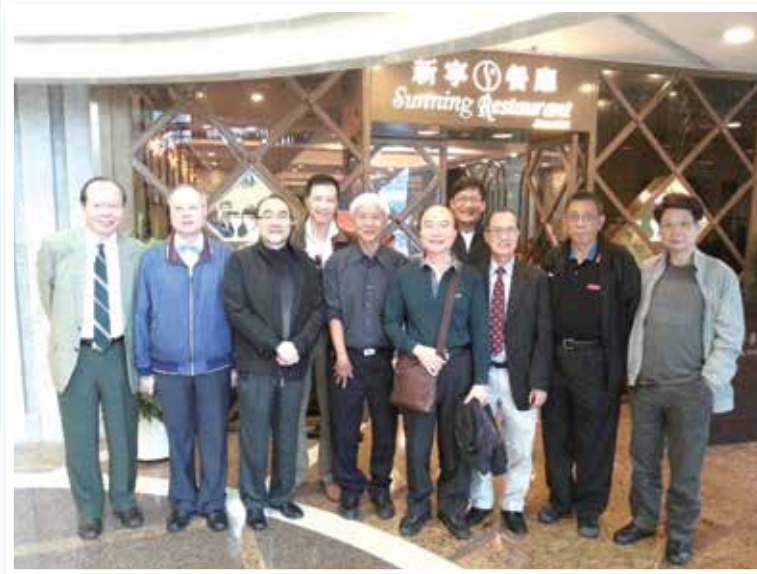
The photo on top of page 15 is a very memorable one as it shows two of our former teachers attending our dinner gathering in January, 2012.



Back Row: L. to R. Tony Chiu, Leung Kin Yin, Desmond Yee, Chu Kwok Tai, Wong Wah Kay, Patrick Lau, Alcott Liu, & Philip Hsieh
Front Row: L. to R. Fung Kai Bun, Kot See Chun, Sir (Kaan Che Kei), Sir (Leung Tit Tsang), & Paul Yung



Nov, 2013 – Dinner to welcome Cheng Koon Tak from Malaysia (From L to R :1st row: Patrick Lau SauShing, Chu Kwok Tai, Cheng Koon Tak, Tony Chiu Hung Tong, Leung Kin Yin, 2nd row: So Kwok Choi, Paul Yung PokChing, Desmond Yee Tak Man, Philip Hsieh Cheung, Ng Kah Kin, Kot See Chun, Fung Kai Bun, Alcott Liu Kin Ping, Ng Yip Lap



Weekly Friday Lunch Gathering May, 2013 (From L to R : Paul Yung, Vincent Chow (Class of 60), Alcott Liu, Tony Chiu, Victor Lui, Wong Wah Kay, Eddie Luk (Class of 63), Fung Kai Bun, Kwan Yuk Lam (Class of 63), Desmond Yee)



Tour of Lychee Farms during the harvest season in Panyu and Nansha in Guangdong, July 2013.



Tour of Wudang Shan, Hubei, October 2013 (L to R: Desmond Yee, Tony Chiu, Patrick Lau)



Yacht party in Fung Kai Bun's Yacht to welcome Ken Wong Yik Kin's visit from Toronto, September 2013 (L to R: Desmond Yee, Fung Kai Bun, Linda & Ken Wong Yik Kin, Mrs. Rebecca Fung, Friend of Ken's, Sandy & SiuChe Ping, Friend of Ken's, Tony & Joyce Chiu)

1963

Dr. Choy Yuk Lun shared with readers that they held their 50 year reunion dinner on 7th December, 2013. Over 30 classmates and spouses attended with quite a few from over-sea. Some of them had not met since leaving St. Paul's though most had no difficulty in recognising each other. The dinner ended with a lucky draw and all were looking forward to the next reunion dinner. The group photo was taken before dinner.



1966

Edward Sin is among the 5 awardees in the 2014 Hong Kong Humanity Award Presentation on June 7, 2014. The 2014 Hong KONG Humanity Award is co-organised by the Hong Kong Red Cross and the RTHK.



Edward approached the Ebenezer School in 2008 to offer free tutorials for its visually impaired students. Since then, his serving targets have kept growing, covering the hearing impaired, physically disabled, orphans, youths with emotional or behavioural problems, new arrivals from Mainland CHina and ethnic minorities. He also gives tutorials to needy students at their homes. During these six years, he has already served more than 300 students. Since 2010, Edward also participated in Correctional Services Department Rehabilitation Volunteer Group, to teach inmates local language and computer.



1979

David Hung (5D, 1979) was elected by Hong Kong Institution of Engineers as Fellow Member in May 2013.



1983, 1991 and 1994

The Hospital Authority Newsletter "HASLink" 「協力」 featured an overview of the Multi- Disciplinary Simulation and Skills Centre (MDSSC), the first of its kind in Hong Kong public hospitals. The Director, Dr. Ho Lap-yin (5E, 1991) and Associate Directors, Dr. Eric So Hang Kwong (5E, 1983) and Dr. George Ng Wing Yiu (5F, 1994) are all St Paul's graduates. This photo was discovered by Dr. Lai Sik To, Thomas (F5, 1968).



News from 1966

Again in 2013, the Class of 1966 maintained and enhanced their Class and College spirit by holding many very enjoyable activities during the year. In addition to their Saturday morning countryside walks and lunches, as well as monthly mah-jong gatherings, alumni gathered for their annual Reunion Dinner at the CCC in HKMA



in Central on November 8, 2013. Some classmates and teachers gathered for an evening of nostalgia, greeting old friends and enjoyed a delicious dinner. Following the Principal's giving an update of activities at the College, Jimmy Chan Foon Sheng spoke shared his musician live experience, Mong Kar Keung about his love for and experiences of butterflies, and Robert Law Chi Lim, his exotic travel destinations.

The Class of 66 has certainly distinguished itself with many years participation in HK Trailwalker with its team SPC66. Representing the Class in 2013 was Patrick To Pak Wo, shown in the happy photo at the finish line with, on his left, Mui Cheuk and on his right Amy Chan, a 10-times Trailwalker veteran. Mui's two sons attended SPC – Fred Chak Hung Fung in 1998 and younger son William Chak Wai Leong in SPCPS 1997.



The team was strongly supported by alumni Frederick Kan Shiu Cheong, Lawrence Ip Ka Lam, Simon Yim Chi Ming, Joseph Ip Chung Sang, Cheung Kok Kee Philip and Lo Chung Kay. In the Trailwalker training sessions, Fred Kan showed his outstanding SPC spirit by struggling on with a debilitating ailment in his knee. Classmates including Fred and his son, Joey, also supported the team by providing

refreshments at the various stages of the walk as well as that all important thing called encouragement. The team raised \$73,000 for Oxfam. As usual, a boisterous and very happy dinner was held in celebration on November 17th, again at HKMA in Central.

In the 2009 News from St Paul's, there was a photo of seven '66 classmates at an exhibition of George Tang Kwok Wing's beautiful flower paintings held at the Manulife Building in Causeway Bay in April 2008. George's paintings had been used by the HK Post Office for a series of stamps of HK flowers also in 2008. Last year, in December 2013, George had another exhibition of his paintings as well as those of his pupils. Among those who attended the exhibition, which was held in the City Hall, was Mr Emerson, shown in the photograph with George and a few of his fine paintings behind.



Oxfam Trailwalker – a charity event where classmate To Pak Woo Patrick took part. He completed the 100K (covering 22 mountains) and the team SPC66/13 raised over \$73,000. Various classmates supported the team along the walk.



First Academic-in-Residence

Dr. Chiara Ciccarelli

Following the success of the Artist-in-Residence programme, the College launched the Academic-in-Residence programme in 2013. The aim of the programme is to invite leading academics in different fields to share their expertise with students in the College.

This year, the College invited Dr. Chiara Ciccarelli, a physicist from the University of Cambridge and she is famous for her work on semiconductor and electron spin. She is a Research Fellow of the Gonville and Caius College at the University of Cambridge. Her current research is on 'Spin-orbit induced anisotropies of the chemical potential in ferromagnets and antiferromagnets'.



Professor Zhang 張曉風

2014年3月7日，聖保羅書院中文科邀得張曉風教授蒞校演講，主題為「趣味在哪裡？」演講前，先由校長甘納德博士致歡迎辭、中文科主任顏加興老師介紹張教授，接著分由中四云佳蔚同學及中四林安生同學以普通話及廣東話朗讀張教授的作品，兩篇名篇是《我在》與《白千層》。



到了講座環節，張教授生動傳神地分享她生活中滿載的趣味，她對身邊的事物充滿好奇。為了滿足自己的好奇心，她會凡事追本溯源。她把兩本工具書矗立在桌前，一本是《中文大辭典》，另一本是《漢語大詞典》。張教授簡單介紹工具書的用處，同學從中得知，求學，根本源於好奇，而且要親自動手找資料，才能深入地探究事物的底蘊。

張教授舉例，她到海南島旅行，得知可以一嚐「椰子酒」，就感到莫名的興奮，要決心一試。因為她知道蘇東坡曾被貶海南島，亦曾喝過「椰子酒」。蘇東坡曾一喝難忘，並只敢喝一杯，因為他怕再喝就不可收拾。張教授想起此段往事，看著手上的「椰子酒」，便非常理解千年前蘇東坡的感受。然後通過工具書查證，得知蘇東坡曾將椰子殼剖開兩份，做成帽子，稱之為「椰子冠」。可見蘇東坡孩子氣的一面呢！張教授談起此事依然雀躍萬分，令大家也想一試「椰子酒」呢！

另一次，張教授遊覽廈門的「菽莊」，好奇心驅使下，她詢問導遊「菽」的意思。導遊指「菽」解作花園。張教授抱著求真的精神，查找工具書，才知「菽」是指一種植物。更在螢幕中展示工具書對「菽」字的解釋，再向大家提問「菽麥不分」等詞語的意思。張教授正正以身教展示求學的樂趣。

張教授強調只要對萬事充滿好奇，便會有興趣發掘事物的來歷及演變。她說：「好奇心就是活著的動力。」她引用孔子的一句話：「飽食終日，無所用心，難矣哉。」如果生活失去了求知求真的心，生命中難以找到趣味。

的確，是次講座之所以充滿趣味，是因為在座的聽眾抱著一顆好奇心而來，而張教授毫不吝嗇地把自己好奇心與大家分享，令在場師生、校友及家長都聽得津津有味。

講座圓滿結束，不少與會者留下爭相與張教授留影及做訪問，場面熱鬧，張教授親切地回答了各個問題，講座比原定計畫遲了一小時結束，可見張教授魅力非凡。



張曉風教授講座



Father Philip and Chaplain's new iAssembly

Question:

What do you do when you have had the last Assembly of the year and people want more?

Answer: Go "Virtual!"

That is exactly what has happened this year at St Paul's with the introduction of the virtual "iAssembly".

On Thursday the 11th March (Thursdays being the day that the Chaplain normally speaks at Assembly) the first iAssembly was launched. It had been filmed, presented and edited by the Chaplain, Father Philip. By the time of writing this ten have been uploaded to the new Chaplaincy YouTube Channel with another two to go before the end of the academic year.



Filmed in High Definition on a Canon EOS, the technical abilities of the Chaplain have moved from resting the camera on a pile of books through to the purchase of a tripod and microphone. On one occasion, returning from Oxford where he had filmed one talk, he noticed that the microphone had been on the wrong setting and the sound was inaudible. A quick self-taught lesson in using a 'green screen' in his apartment led to a basic but necessary re-filming of the talk, pretending that he was back in the Chapel at Trinity College!

Topics for the iAssemblies have included:

- Three on the Lenten activities of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.
- The Caravaggio exhibition at the Asia Society Hong Kong, displaying the painting "Supper at Emmaus".
- The importance of taking a retreat in our lives.
- The Holy Days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Day.
- Easter.
- The Stations of the Cross.
- Praying a 'novena' (nine days of prayer leading up to Pentecost).
- The Ascension of Jesus.
- Corpus Christi.
- Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

All of these are available on the YouTube Channel and are also linked to on the Chaplain's page on the SPC website. Whilst they have all been filmed at a certain time in the Church year, they still have a message for those who have not yet seen them and wish to view them.

One advantage of the iAssembly is that it is not restricted to the School Hall, so it has seen the Chaplain filming himself in locations such as the College Chapel, his Office, a London Church and Retreat Centre, Trinity College in Oxford and even inside a lift (for the 'Ascension' of Jesus!)

There has been positive feedback from parents, students and teachers as well as a number of other people around the world who have found it useful. SCALA, the School Chaplain's and Leaders Association which is based in the UK, have commended it to its members as an innovative way to share the faith within a school context.

It also fits in neatly with the Chaplaincy Facebook page, which was launched on the 15th October last year. The page provides a daily message on school days such as a prayer, a hymn, a religious photo or a link to the Chaplain's Assembly talk or iAssembly. All friends of St Paul's are invited to 'like' the Facebook page and to follow the YouTube iAssembly Channel.

With assemblies starting again in September, the iAssembly will take a 'rest' until March of 2015, although there may be a few special ones which will crop up along the way.

You can find a link to the Facebook page and the YouTube Channel here:

Chaplaincy Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/stpcc

Chaplaincy YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/SPCChaplaincy



Exchange from Christ Church, Australia

Five students, accompanied by their teacher, from Christ Church Grammar School visited Hong Kong from 20th September to 27th September, 2013. Five of our students from Forms 3 and 4 were selected to take part in the exchange programme and each of them would host a student from Christ Church. The students from Christ Church Grammar School attended classes with their buddies.



Exchange Students from Germany

Two Students from Phorms Mitte Bilingual School in Berlin stayed in St. Paul's College as exchange students from 30th September, to 16th October, 2013. Robert Fricke was placed in 4A and Hannes Jakob Isreal would be placed in Form 4F. The two students were supervised by Mr. W.F. Ryan and Miss Ho Kwai Ming, Josephine. Robert and Hannes were placed in homestay with Ho Hok Him, Bryan of 4A and Ho Chun Ning, Gene of 4F respectively.



Exchange Student from South Africa

Niall Higgins, from Benoni High School in South Africa attended lessons in the class F.5B with our student Leung Yue Ching Eugene on Monday and Tuesday, 9th and 10th December, 2013.



Students were considered as ordinary students in our College. They were expected to follow school rules, wear proper school uniform, hand in assignments and sit for any quizzes or tests. They would be exempted from attending Chinese Language lessons. During the Chinese language lessons, they stayed in the Library.

Educational Exchange with Trinity-Pawling School 2014

The educational exchange with Trinity-Pawling School in Pawling New York was another unforgettable experience for all those who took part in it. This year, it was our turn to visit them. On 5 April, five students from F.4 and F.5 (Kelvin Chau, Louis Yun, Ben Tong, John Mak and Faith Lai), Mr. Alan Yuen and I gathered at the Hong Kong International Airport for what we knew would be a backbreaking flight. Despite the length of the flight, the boys still seemed very excited about the week to come, no doubt because of the thought of seeing New York City for the first time. During the 15-hour flight, with limited options for killing time, some of us managed to watch as many as 5 movies!



Instead of having all seven of us stay at Gamage House, the residence of the Head Master of Trinity-Pawling School, which is certainly big enough for hosting twice as many people, the T-P staff, at our request, arranged for the boys to stay in the dormitories. One obvious reason for doing that was to give the boys a taste of life in a boarding school. Our boys stayed in different dorms and enjoyed the hospitality of their T-P hosts, who were kind enough to put them up for a week in their rooms, which, to be honest, were not designed for additional occupants. Our boys learned a lot from their hosts about the school, education in the US, and American culture through daily interactions with them. Mr. Yuen and I, as for us, felt very much at home at Gamage House, got to know each other very well and were happy to be temporarily relieved of our duties at night, knowing that the boys were in good hands.

The visits to NYC brought as much excitement as could have been expected. Some highlights included the current exhibition inside The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine by Chinese contemporary artist Xu Bing featuring two phoenixes suspended from the high ceiling of the cathedral (Feng and Huang) made of detritus from construction

sites in Beijing. What was even more impressive was the breathtaking view from Top of the Rock, which was so spectacular that, for a moment, it was as if time had been suspended. It was equally incredible for the boys to realize where they were as we approached Time Square on 42nd Street. There was nothing in the world that could have stopped us from taking a selfie with the iconic buildings and neon light signs at the junction of Broadway and Seventh Avenue in the background. Most of the boys also looked forward to doing some shopping at an NBA store, which they found in no time. Some of them had long shopping lists given to them by friends and family back in Hong Kong for jerseys with names of their favorite basketball stars on them. Speaking of sports, we were even taken to see a baseball game at the Yankee Stadium which "pitched" the New York Yankees against the Baltimore Orioles. After several innings, a couple of Nathan's hotdogs and an oversized coke, all of us were practically Americans. Sadly speaking, it was not a good day for Yankee fans.

Other activities that made up this enriching trip included a visit to Springwood (Hyde Park), the estate President Franklin D. Roosevelt called home, a walk on the Walkway over the Hudson overlooking the mighty river, an afternoon helping out at Marvel Valley Farm where the boys learned about organic farming, and a pleasant hike up Cats Rock just off the Appalachian Trail for a view that would stay etched in our fond memories of Pawling.

To our friends at Trinity-Pawling School, we would like to thank them from the bottom of our hearts for taking such great care of us and for putting together this wonderful program for us. Thank you for your friendship. See you at St. Paul's next year.

Mr. Alex Wong



Memorial Service for the late Mr. Preston Wong Shiu Pun

Mr. Preston Wong Shiu Pun was the Senior Chinese Master of St. Paul's College before World War II. He was also actively involved in establishing the 10th Hong Kong Scout Group in 1922. He was imprisoned by the Japanese for his espionage work for the British Army Aid Group and was subsequently executed on 29th October, 1943 in the Stanley Internment Camp. A special assembly was held on Tuesday, 29th October, 2013 to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the death of Mr. Preston Wong.



Paul's Action 2014

On 28th March 2014, thirteen F.4 students departed home thankfully after a rewarding 3-day service-learning trip to Qingyuan, titled 'Paul's Action 2014'. They were former SPC Primary School graduates who always show a strong sense of belonging to the Alma Mater. This time, they chose to join "Paul's Action" again as volunteers and big brothers. The 3-day compact itinerary included visiting village schools, doing farm work, leading games and teaching village children. Sincere gratitude to the Primary School Principal, Mrs. Chan for showing trust in them and granting them such a wonderful opportunity to develop their leadership qualities and community awareness. It was the most gratifying and memorable experience they have ever had. Their efforts and leadership get appreciated and rewarded by parents, teachers and primary school boys. Most importantly, the initiative builds a stronger bond between the primary and secondary section and that makes "One School, One Family" a reality.



School Team Results

Inter-school Athletics Championships

B grade : Champion
C grade : Champion
Overall : Champion



Inter-school Swimming Competition

C grade : 4th



Inter-school Badminton Competition

A grade : 2nd
B grade : Champion
C grade : 2nd
Overall : 2nd



Chu Chun Yat (4C)

Represented HK to participate in the World Archery Youth Championships which was held in Wuxi



Inter-school Football Competition

B grade : 4th



Ho Chun Ting (4A)

Represented HK U-16 Football Team to participate in the Mediterranean International Cup which was held in Spain



Inter-school Basketball Competition

A grade : 4th



Hong Kong Youth Indoor Archery Tournament

Champion



Inter-school Bowling Competition

Overall : 3rd



66th Hong Kong Schools Music Festival Results

School Team Events

Competitor

Mixed Choir
(St. Paul's College & Good Hope School)

Class

N56 Secondary School Mixed Choir –
First Division – Chinese Language –
Intermediate

Place

1st

Competitor

Mixed Choir
(St. Paul's College & Good Hope School)

Class

N48 Secondary School Choir –
First Division – Foreign Language –
Intermediate

Place

2nd



Competitor

Intermediate Choir

Class

N45 Secondary School Choir – First Division –
Foreign Language – Boys – Intermediate

Place

2nd

Competitor

Intermediate Choir
(St. Paul's College & Good Hope School)

Class

N54 Secondary School Choir –
First Division – Chinese Language –
Boys – Intermediate

Place

2nd



Competitor

Symphony Orchestra

Class

N245 Symphony Orchestra – Secondary School - Intermediate

Place

3rd



Competitor

Senior Choir

Class

N44 Secondary School Choir – First Division – Foreign Language – Boys - Senior

Place

3rd



Competitor

Madrigal

(St. Paul's College & Good Hope School)

Class

U80 Madrigal – Secondary School - Mixed Voice – Foreign Language

Place

3rd



Competitor

Junior Choir

Class

N97 Plain Song – Secondary School Choir

Place

3rd



Competitor

Clarinet Quartet

Class

N402 Woodwind Ensemble – Secondary School - Senior

Place

3rd



師生同記杭州新少年作文大賽（節錄）

遊心遊湖 楊展匡（中四文學班）

《書劍恩仇錄》引發我對西湖的聯想，令我對剛過去的杭州之旅有一絲企盼。我有幸與好友在老師的帶領下到杭州參加新少年作文大賽總決賽，同場還有來自香港不同中學的十幾位同學，要即席與一百六十多名內地選手競逐。僅憑文學、一張紙、一枝筆，冠軍沒錯是一萬塊人民幣，但我絕不為虛榮而來，內地學生文章精通早已街知巷聞，我只是不甘維港的水比西湖濁，誰說香港學生就只有幾台死板的打字機？現在正好有個機會讓我與內地學生切磋筆力，就算陪寫又何妨？

我欲一遊西湖，也欲一戰群儒。步進比賽場地那刻心潮澎湃，眼見報到台前人頭湧湧，興奮的耳語自四方傳來。然而當我走進所謂的考場，身邊就只有考試時才見到的長桌，原本那點興奮好像加了些許壓抑。再見評審開題後，百多人不約而同抬起筆「刷刷」寫起來，禮堂素淨的黑門轟然關上，幾個監考老師煞有介事地徘徊……四方八面籠罩著期末考試獨有的死寂，那倒計着三小時時限的屏幕成了宏偉的「集體手錶」，這種氣氛真叫人「回味」……

好不容易摘下筆桿，身邊已滿滿空了幾排。就像愛武之人較量過後轉身便走！當然了，城市生活何其勞碌，況且各有各學業，愛文學之事做到如此已不簡單。西湖是遊了，卻沒想像中美；師生間的心湖卻教我自省……



大路與小路 林安生（中四文學班）

三件學校的中文科風褸，三個輕便的行李箱，顏老師、楊同學和我組成三人行，遠赴杭州浙江參加新少年作文大賽決賽。

人言「上有天堂，下有蘇杭」，我對杭州的認識，其實局限在「山外青山樓外樓，西湖歌舞幾時休」兩句，於是我期待作文比賽，更加期待杭州的風光景致。

迎接我們的是主辦單位錢江晚報派來的記者，負責接送我們到酒店。路上，他耐心告訴我們比賽的安排，然而「醉翁之意不在酒」，路途上能引起我興趣的，誠然只有身邊的風景，好山好水——一眉圓月高在天上嫣然而笑，一排一排的樹在我的視線裡褪去，涼風拍打車窗，風聲轟然響然，令人神往，彷彿想讓我知道，我身處的，就是人傑地靈、風光如畫的杭州。指引我們路向的，是閃爍的霓虹街燈，引我期待之後一天的比賽，期待要為學校爭光，我急不及待，想要立即開始比賽，開始創作，理性與知性壓制不到我的烘烘慾望，嘴角竟傻傻的、不能自制的向上揚……

比賽當天，14位香港選手去到報社的比賽場地：一個偌大的禮堂。禮堂之大，大如香港的會展；眼前燈火通明，百多張長桌頗有氣勢的排列在我們面前，禮堂裡坐滿了參賽者，似乎都想化成燃燒的火焰，發出文學創作的的光芒。

終於開題了！兩道題目分別是《大路與小路》以及《我的祕密》，出題的作家蘇童說，前一道題目是希望參賽者能對人生有所反思；後一題則是要求參賽者坦誠面向內心世界。比賽時間三小時，比香港考試的作文好，有足夠時間讓我們下筆之前多想想。

我選作《大路與小路》，題目要求反思人生，我便從大路和小路的建構材料、風景、終點等作出聯想，主旨為不同的人走不同的路，看的風景以及反思都不同，希望人能我行我素，同時關注國家、社會以及人生。



雨中三人行 顏加興老師

杭州五日四夜，某夜，師生三人行，遇雨，撐著兩把傘，有時過馬路，有時在馬路邊走。

展匡總是聽到我聽不到的聲音，「後面有車」，稍後果然就有摩托擦身而過。於是，我管看前面，展匡看後面，安生管兩旁，專注有沒有陌生人走近。我戰戰兢兢，他們似乎比我輕盈。和一個滿懷心事的老師共度幾天，也是相當難捱吧。

問題天天都多，慚愧亦然。有一次，我們要登上觀光車，「砰」，展匡頭撞車頂邊，幸好車邊略備軟墊。是沒經驗的我不懂照顧他，顧得了腳，又忘記了頭。

「有沒有事，痛嗎？」

「不痛！」

我知道即使再痛，他都會說不痛，是為了免我自責吧！展匡大概習慣了，不是突然撞到腳，就是突然撞到頭。沒有防備而來的痛，特別痛。幸好展匡是個極其勇敢的少年，日後遇痛，他將如舊說不痛。展匡，師不必賢於弟子，正如我不如你，教學相長，今次我是教的少，學的多。

我大概已忘記同學的文章寫什麼，反而師生那麼接近的五日生活最令人難忘，彷彿情侶首次去旅行，回來之日，要不感情大進，就是大壞，深覺終於看清一個人。兩位同學，但願你們不會把我歸入大壞的一類。

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