



Bethel High School Parent Newsletter

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English Department

1. The i-Learner on-line learning programme has started to run since October. Students have to complete one on-line English exercise everyday to improve their English. In addition, students can also practice their writing everyday. The tutors of i-Learner will mark students' writing and give feedback to enhance students' writing skills. In order to encourage students to work on the exercises, keep on learning and improve their English, students with excellent performance will receive a certificate.
2. The i-Learner sent representatives to S.1 classes to introduce the on-line learning programme so that students can know how to use it. Students paid attention to the briefing session.

Mathematics Department

1. On 19/10/2013, the school organised the 6th 'Bethel Cup Yuen Long District Primary School Mathematics Multi-Challenge'. Many students took part in the competition. There were about 340 students from 21 primary schools forming 84 teams to join the competition. The prize presentation ceremony was held right after the competition. District councilor, Ms. Yau Tai Tai, was the guest of honour. Apart from group awards, we also prepared individual awards for winners in different competitions as an appreciation.
2. The Mathematics Department is going to organise some Mathematics activities, such as a rapid calculation competition, Mathematics article reading, etc., in school to let students get in touch with, understand and love Mathematics.

Liberal Studies Department

1. Mr. Tang Kam Fai was invited by the Macao Polytechnic Institute to attend 'Education Challenges and Missions in Chinese Society: International Academic Conference'. In the conference, he read out his thesis, titled 'Senior Secondary Liberal Studies in Hong Kong', and had academic exchange with the professors and scholars of China.
2. Mr. Tang Kam Fai was invited by the Liberal Studies Section of the Education Bureau to write an article to share about his teaching experience. Mr. Tang wrote an article titled 'Field Study and Liberal Studies'. For detail, please refer to the EDB edCity website <http://ls.edb.hkedcity.net/Home/Index.aspx>.
3. The Liberal Studies Department organised a talk and invited a representative from United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund to give a talk on 'Drinking Water and Public Health'.

4. The Liberal Studies Department organised a lunch time activity and invited representatives from the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department to promote energy conservation knowledge by some interactive information stations and prize-giving games.
5. Leung Pan (4C) and Ying Ching Man (4B) participated in the 'Mock Legco Competition' organised by the Rotary Club to learn more about sociopolitical participation.

Academic Affairs Team

On 19/10/2013, the Academic Affairs Team coordinated the School Information Day. Subject departments, such as Chinese, English, Mathematics, Integrated Humanities, Liberal Studies, Chinese History, History, Geography, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Integrated Science, Economics, Home Economics, Music, Visual Arts, Computer Literacy, Design & Technology, etc., prepared some activities and exhibitions for primary students, parents and teachers in Yuen Long so that outsiders can know more about our school. On that day, students participated in the activities prepared by the subject departments enthusiastically and the atmosphere was cheerful.

Career Guidance Team

1. On 26/9/2013 and 31/10/2013, the Career Guidance Team prepared two class teacher periods, 'Secondary School Goal Go Go', for 4A and 5A students to let them set their life goals and plan for their future career and study pathways.
2. On 26/9/2013 and 31/10/2013, the Career Guidance Team prepared two class teacher periods, 'My JUPAS Guide', for 6A students to introduce the JUPAS system, course selection procedures and related strategies.
3. On 28/9/2013, the Career Guidance Team organised the 'Local Future Pathways Talk' for S.4 parents to introduce the JUPAS system and other study pathways in Hong Kong, such as self-financing degrees, associate degree programmes, etc.
4. On 3/10/2013, the Career Guidance Team organised a JUPAS talk for 6B, 6C and 6D students to let them know more about the JUPAS system, entry requirements of the eight universities and other institutes so that they can have more confidence and a higher chance in getting into the universities. For details, please refer to the JUPAS website (www.jupas.edu.hk).
5. The school has applied for the 'Citi Success Fund' 2013-14, sponsored by Hope Worldwide and the Citi Foundation. The funded program consists of three stages, understanding industries, skills training and job skills practice. It is to let teenagers learn different job skills and develop their talents. During the co-curricular activity on 4/10/2013, workers of photography and the beauty industry shared information about their industries and their work experience to 19 S.3 – S.6 students so that they can explore their own career perspectives and encourage them to prepare well for their future career.
6. On 10/10/2013, the Career Guidance Team and the Computer Literacy Department coorganised a 'Computer Industry Talk' and invited representatives from Hong Kong Computer Society to give information about the IT industry to 4A, 5A and 6A students so that they can have more understanding of and interest in information technology.

7. On 17/10/2013, Hok Yau Club gave a S.4 subject selection talk for S.3 students to let them learn more about the New Senior Secondary curriculum, their characters and some subject selection strategies.
8. On 17/10/2013, the Career Guidance Team prepared a class teacher period, 'Smart Choice for HKDSE Subjects', for 3B students to introduce the New Senior Secondary curriculum and explain the relationship between subjects and future career.
9. On 17/10/2013, the Career Guidance Team prepared a class teacher period, 'My Career Code', for 1B and 2B students to help students to understand their characters, interests, abilities, values and career orientations so that they can make a wise choice in their future studies.

Information Technology Team

The government has launched the five-year 'i Learn at home' Internet Learning Support Programme since July, 2011 to help eligible families to undertake web-based learning at home. The government has engaged two NGOs to help eligible students to acquire affordable computer equipment and Internet access services and provide them with user and social support.

For details of the programme, please browse the programme website: <http://www.ilearnathome.hk>. If students are interested, please download, fill in and submit the form to the Friends of Scouting Long Ping Service Centre for Children & Youth (Tel: 81022488) with the required documents.

Civic and Moral Education Team

1. Yuen Man Kit (3A), Law Tsz Yin (3A), Ying Ching Man (4B), Li Chi Hong (4B), Leung Pan (4C) and Yip Ching Yung (4C) participated in the 'Yuen Long Secondary School Ambassador Scheme' organised by the Yuen Long District Secondary School Heads Association. The scheme gathers the positive energy of Yuen Long secondary students through activities. It encourages students to organise and participate in community services so as to cultivate students' self-esteem, responsibility and citizenship so that they can become promising teenagers.
2. The junior students completed some sessions of the 'PATH courses' in 'Adolescent Health Programme' in October. S.1 students completed the Growth and Health sessions, S.2 students completed the Love and Self-esteem sessions and S.3 students completed the Time session.

Discipline and Guidance Team

1. 1B, 2B and 3B have completed three Growth lessons during the assembly time: on 26/9/2013, the lesson title was 'The power of personality'; on 3/10/2013, the lesson title was 'Proud of myself'; and on 10/10/2013, the lesson title was 'Doing the smart way'. The lessons are to let students know more about themselves and set up their learning targets.
2. On 3/10/2013, the Discipline and Guidance Team invited the social worker from Caritas Wellness Link, Ms. Yuen, to share about life education with a story and introduce the United Nations 'Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities' so as to promote the harmony between disabled and able-bodied people.

3. On 17/10/2013, the Discipline and Guidance Team invited Mr. Chan Yu Fai from the Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups to give a talk on 'Life Planning' so that students can learn more about the concepts, methods and importance of life planning.
4. On 18/10/2013 and 25/10/2013, the Discipline & Guidance Team held a Growth Day Camp in Wong Siu Sang Leadership Training Institute for S.1 and S.2 students respectively so as to enhance their self-confidence, self-discipline and team spirit.
5. On 17/10/2013 and 31/10/2013, 4A and 3B students visited the Shine Centre at Tuen Mun respectively during the assembly time to let them get information about skill training, life and social skills so that their problem solving skills can be improved.
6. Three life planning lessons will be held during the assembly time: on 31/10/2013, the lesson title will be 'How will be my Future?'; on 14/11/2013, the lesson title will be 'Job Hunting Square?'; and on 5/12/2013, the lesson title will be 'Gifts from God'. The lessons are to guide S.3 students to choose a realistic and optimistic life style and learn more about different kinds of jobs so that they can be more confident in their future career and studies.

Co-curricular and Extra-curricular Activities Team

1. The Co-curricular & Extra-curricular Activities Team held the House Captain Elections. The results are as follows: Chiu Man Kwan (5C) was elected as the Kindly Light House Captain, Yan Yong Yan (5C) was elected as the Glorious Light House Captain, Ng Man Lok (5D) was elected as the Gracious Light House Captain and Cheng Ka Wai (5B) was elected as the Beautiful Light House Captain.
2. The Co-curricular & Extra-curricular Activities Team has founded the 'Rope Skipping Team' and 'Modern Dance Class' to encourage students to take part in community services, train their bodies and enhance their team spirit. Students are welcome to join.
3. The Co-curricular & Extra-curricular Activities Team organised a visit to the tree nursery at Tai Tong in Yuen Long. 1B and 1C students participated in the activity to learn how to plant trees in the country side and learn about the values of plants.
4. The Co-curricular & Extra-curricular Activities Team and the Liberal Studies Department organised a talk and invited a representative from Greenpeace to give a talk on 'Green Building'.

Public Relations Team

The Public Relations Team and the Rope Skipping Team of the Co-curricular & Extra-curricular Activities Team were invited to be the guest performers of the 'Precaution Float Parade' organised by the North District Police Force.