

KIANGSU – CHEKIANG COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL SECTION

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This Week: Today, this morning, we welcomed members of the Kely Support Team to school. They talked to Years 7, 8 & 9 about Puberty, and will be back for three more weeks, on Wednesdays, to talk about other Health and Social Education issues, with all our students from Years 8 – 11.

Also this week we are very pleased to report that yesterday our Under 12 soccer team beat the Christian Alliance International School team 5-1! Congratulations to our team for a great win!

Art Exhibition: Once again we are pleased to report that our second Art Exhibition will be staged in the Artland Gallery in Wanchai from October 20th to October 25th. The Private showing will take place on October 24th after school, when the Exhibition will be open to just our exhibitors and their parents. Ms. Meeks and the students have been working very hard, and they have collected a large amount of artwork to display. We do hope you will take some time to visit the exhibition in October.

Our Website: At present I believe that some of our pages are not accessible. We apologise for this but we are currently re-designing the whole website and you may experience difficulties in accessing various pages from time to time.

This school year: Well, we have now been back for a month, and it has been clear to our Senior Management Team that the school continues to evolve and grow. We have this term welcomed seven new members of staff and already their commitment and input into school life has become very apparent. This term we meet as a whole school staff much less often than before. What is happening is that there are more departmental meetings, and we have formed several sub-committees to look more closely at several issues that we agreed needed to be developed further, namely our IGCSE subjects, and the way we report students' academic progress to you, our parents. This last item, we have decided that we need a new reporting format, and we are currently working on a new look report form for our interim reports. We will also be sending each year groups' interim reports to you at different times in the year, as follows:

Year 7 reports will come home on December 3rd.

Year 12 reports will come home on December 10th

Year 10 reports will come home on December 17th

Year 8 & 9 reports will come home on 28th January.

As a result, most parents' evenings will also be slotted in to take place after you have received the reports, as follows:

December 12th - Year 7 parents evening

December 19th – Year 12 parents evening

January 9th – Year 10 parents evening

February 20th – Year 9 parents evening

February 27th – Year 8 parents evening

March 6th – Year 11 parents evening. Year 11 Mock Examinations for the IGCSE's are scheduled for the week beginning 18th February, directly after our Chinese New Year Holiday break. This will be followed by the Parents' evening and Year 11 reports will go home on March 19th. Because Year 11 is a vital year teachers will be closely monitoring all their students and will be in touch with parents when or if needed throughout this year, should issues arise that need parental support. Consequently an earlier report will not be necessary.

We have also arranged a Year 9 Options evening for 3rd April 2008, when staff will be available to advise parents and students on their forthcoming IGCSE choices for Year 10.

I hope all this has clarified the reporting situation with you all, and should you have any comments or suggestions regarding the above do please get in touch with either me or Mr. Theobald by email.

Examinations this year: In addition to the above we have decided not to have mid-year examinations for Years 7-10 and Year 12. Instead the subject teachers will be continuing on-going assessment through the year, plus regular testing at the end of each topic. The end of year Examinations will take place in June 2008 as normal, however.

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