

### Hoi Ping 旅港開平商會中學

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#### Maintaining Excellent Standards in HKDSE 2021

Results of the HKDSE 2021 were released on 21 July 2021. With their diligence and academic competence, Hoi Ping students achieved impressive results despite challenges posed by COVID-19.

Of the 125 students who sat the HKDSE this year, 91.2% attained the university entrance minimum requirement (33222), which is our second-best performance since 2012. Hoi Ping's performance in the four core subjects surpassed the territory-wide statistics by a wide margin. There were 27.1% and 69.9% of students who achieved Level 5+ and Level 4+ respectively, and 3.1% of them achieved Level 5\*\*.

Like before, our S6 students have achieved encouraging results that will definitely inspire the successive cohorts!





#### Leave No Regrets; Hold on to Your Faith

Setting study plans, doing past paper and memorizing facts are essential, but learning attitude is equally important. COVID-19 is an obstacle far beyond anything we have experienced. It is easy for us to be weary and succumb to these challenges but I told myself to do things I won't regret in the future. With this belief, although language subjects were my weaknesses, I poured all my effort into revision. As I reflect now, I leave no regrets for what I did. When you have faith in yourself, I am sure you will be ready to conquer any challenges!

Tam Ming Pan is studying medicine in CUHK.

#### Hoi Ping Graduate Awarded Croucher Foundation Fellowship

Our 2012 graduate, Lou Shing Bong Terry, has recently been offered the Croucher Foundation Fellowship to work in the Baran Lab in California, one of the world's most renowned laboratories.

Terry's academic calibre has been widely recognised. During his undergraduate studies, Terry was offered the Overseas Research Fellowship for his year abroad at the University of Cambridge. Upon graduation, Terry received the University of Oxford Croucher Scholarship to read for his doctoral degree in Organic Chemistry at Oxford.

Terry believes unwavering dedication contributes to success. His commitment to his studies will surely enlighten his fellow Hoi Pingers!

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Terry will work as a Postdoctoral Fellow and continue his research in the Baran Lab at Scripps Research in the United States.

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Representing the school in an international competition is no small honour, and this opportunity belongs to the studious Yau Ho Hin.

# Hoi Ping Representative in International Biology Olympiad

5B Yau Ho Hin obtained the Bronze Prize at the International Biology Olympiad - Hong Kong Contest 2020, which was co-organised by the Education Bureau and the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education. The contest aims at promoting biology education in Hong Kong and providing enriching opportunities for students with potential. The winners go through training to represent Hong Kong at the International Biology Olympiad held overseas. The prize-giving ceremony was held on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Yau Ho Hin successfully captured a place amongst the top students, which is a remarkable feat!

# Hong Kong Secondary Schools Debating Competition – Grand Final Championship

In the first term of the previous academic year (2020-2021), the English Debate Team won both of the two term rounds as well as the Term I Championship of the Hong Kong Secondary Schools Debating Competition. In the second term, the team won the two rounds of the term again, and proceeded to the Grand Final in August this year.

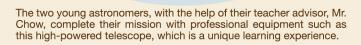
With weeks of research and intensive practice, this team of diligent and eloquent debaters eventually won this final debate of the year, and was crowned the Champion in the 2020-2021 Grand Final (Kowloon and New Territories Middle Division 1).

The team of debaters, with their teacher advisor Mr. Chan, proudly displays their token of victory.



Young Astronomers Deliver Stellar Performance

4A Yang Yule and 4B Cheng Hau Yan received the Excellence Award at the Astronomical Training Programme for Secondary Students, which was organised by the Chinese University of Hong Kong (Department of Physics), the Hong Kong Astronomical Society, and the Hong Kong Space Museum. After completing vigorous training and challenging assessments in this programme consisting of two semesters, our Hoi Ping representatives were selected as two of the Excellence Award winners out of 200 applicants!



# Brilliance in ECAs and Voluntary Work Recognised – Awardees in Kowloon City District Outstanding Student Election

Our students, 3A Yau Ho Ching, Angel and 5B Yeung Siu Fung, Fanny, have actively participated in various kinds of extra-curricular activities and voluntary work, both inside and outside school throughout their school years. As a result, Angel was elected as one of the 10 Outstanding Students (Junior Section), while Fanny obtained a Merit Award (Senior Section) in the Outstanding Student Election jointly organised by the Kowloon City District School Principals' Liaison Committee and the Home Affairs Department. The competition was keen — being elected proved that Angel and Fanny possess great potential. Congratulations to Angel and Fanny!

The two students earn the honour with their participation in extra-curricular activities and voluntary work.



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The two students are awarded the Future Stars – Upward Mobility Scholarship for their positivity and virtues.

# Hoi Ping Students Awarded Future Stars — Upward Mobility Scholarship

Congratulations to our students, 5A Wong Hoi Wing and 5E Lin Wan Feng, on being awarded the Future Stars — Upward Mobility Scholarship presented by the HKSAR Government. The scholarship recognises students for their positive attitudes and good virtues to encourage them to work hard to achieve their goals. In the meantime, they were given a chance to participate in the 2020 Future Stars Mentoring Programme. Congratulations to Hoi Wing and Wan Feng!

## Holder of Ng Teng Fong Scholarship Exhibits Boundless Potential

Our student, 5A Liang Yun Ying, was awarded the Ng Teng Fong Scholarship presented by the Ng Teng Fong Charitable Foundation. The aim of the scholarship is to recognize students with outstanding academic results, good virtues and active participation in extracurricular activities, and in turn enable their continuous education to unleash their full potential and cultivate them as talented student leaders.



The all-round student is awarded the renowned Ng Teng Fong Scholarship.



We hope Wong Kwan Yu will keep outperforming himself and break more records!

#### Record-breaking Performance **Despite COVID**

ASICS Hong Kong Junior Age Group Athletic Championships took place in November 2020. 5C Wong Kwan Yu won the Gold Medal in Boys A Grade Discus Throw and the Silver Medal in Boys A Grade Shot Put. He even broke the record of Discus Throw with a throw of 44.76 metres. There was fewer practice opportunities this year due to the outbreak of COVID-19, so these remarkable results are a testimony to Wong Kwan Yu's determination and talent!

(Photo credit: Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Association)

#### Painting A New World

5A Hau Toi Man Winnie participated in the International Painting Competition 2020 organised by Hong Kong International Youth Artists Society and won the first runner-up.

In Winnie's piece, the eye represents what she sees while the tears represent sadness. These elements convey the state of the world during the pandemic: they show how chaotic it is and, despite what is going on, the spirit that people show when they fight to reinstate normality in their daily lives.





#### **Dedicated Musicians Earning** Top Prizes

4A Cheng Ka Ying and 4B Li Wai Hing were crowned champion in Zheng Solo (Junior) and the first runner-up in Zheng Solo (Senior) respectively in the 73<sup>rd</sup> Hong Kong Schools Music Festival. They interpreted and expressed the music pieces thoughtfully and aesthetically, thus receiving remarkable scores and recognition from the adjudicators. Congratulations to our young musicians!

Musicians often have to spend a lot of time perfecting their techniques to deliver their best performance. These award winners are certainly dedicated musicians!

#### Young Ambassadors for **Geoconservation Training Programme**

Three S5 students participated in the Young Ambassadors for Geoconservation Training Programme organised by the NWS Holdings Limited. It was an invaluable experience for the students as they went through several stages of assessment in the programme, such as interviews, workshops and lectures. They impressed the judges with their outstanding performance in field trips and public guided tours, and were selected as one of the five "Outstanding Performance Teams" out of one hundred teams from different schools.



These young ambassadors have made an achievement they can be proud of - entering the final stage in a competitive programme and being elected as one of the outstanding teams!



# 家長日分享敢於嘗試

#### Parents' Day Going Virtual

To promote parent-school cooperation and communication, our school organised an online parents' day for \$1-\$3 students on 12<sup>th</sup> December. Our principal, Mr. Chen, was invited to share his vision and mission on education, followed by a teacher-parent sharing session where teachers and parents exchanged ideas to help the growing youngsters. Also, with the help of the peer tutors and class teachers, \$1 students prepared a video to share with parents their school life and express gratitude to them.

Our principal, Mr. Chen, shares with parents his insights and vision during the online parents' day.

# Legarde Elected Students' Union with Impressive Online Promotion

The Students' Union Election was held successfully on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020. This year, there was one electoral cabinet, Legarde. Due to COVID-19, the consultation and promotion could only be done online. It was not an easy task as there were a lot of constraints. However, the cabinet managed to unleash their leadership potential and display excellent teamwork. In the end, they won the election. Congratulations to Legarde!

Members of Legarde vow to serve students and the school upon winning the SU Election.

#### In-school Flag-selling Activity Aids the Needy

The on-campus flag-selling activity was successfully held on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021. Students actively participated in this meaningful fund-raising event. The donation raised for the Association for the Rights of Industrial Accident Victims (工業傷亡權益會) will be used to provide various support services for victims of occupational injuries and diseases. We hope that students' contribution to this activity offers a valuable opportunity for them to serve and care for our community.



The first-ever flag-selling activity held on campus is greeted with enthusiasm.



#### E-Learning Made Possible with the Community Care Fund Assistance Programme

In order to facilitate students' e-learning and ensure the effectiveness of online lessons during the school suspension period, our school has helped students purchase mobile computer devices. With the help of the Community Care Fund Assistance Programme, all students who have joined the scheme have received mobile computer devices. It is hoped that this can facilitate the practice of e-learning.



Students can now have a better experience of e-learning with devices bought via the Community Care Fund Assistance Programme.



Our passionate alumni from a wide spectrum of careers are ready and willing to explore innovative ways to offer Hoi Ping students invaluable advice during the pandemic.

#### Unwavering Support from Alumni Amidst Pandemic

The school's alumni never cease to support the school, and this is the case even during the pandemic! Over 25 avid alumni blessed their juniors through the Alumni Mentorship Programme this March, and shared with more than 100 students their unique perspectives on career and life planning.

On an online Careers Day in May, 30 alumni also offered insights to all S4 and S5 students. These graduates are from the medical, legal, business, engineering, education, and journalism fields, as well as many others. They stretch the potential of Hoi Pingers and facilitate their growth in many areas.



This class delightfully shows their mask holders, a thoughtful PTA donation in a vibrant orange colour!

#### Supportive Parents Deliver Gifts

Hoi Ping has always been blessed with the unwavering support of parents. On 29<sup>th</sup> September 2020, PTA committee members and volunteers sent delicious Japanese pears as well as hand sanitizers to the school. To help fight the epidemic and cheer our students up, the PTA also gifted each of us a mask holder they designed. Their generosity did not stop there – S6 students were each given a care package as a morale booster for the DSE! We would like to express our sincere gratitude for the PTA's gifts.

#### Fill the Campus with Warmth

After the Christmas holiday and continuous online lessons, S6 classes could finally gather at school and learn together. Caring is sharing; the school had decided to support all S6 students by providing small comfort to maintain the morale of these DSE fighters before they left school for the study period. Since it was a cold season, we prepared hand warmers, and hot Vitasoy milk and snacks were served at the covered playground, so students could fill their bellies before and after they attended class.

A merry group of S6 students with our Vice Principal, Ms Leung, and Assistant Principal, Mr. Lui.





#### 妙筆生花: 創作擂台綻放光芒

「第十屆校園創作擂台陣」由《香港中學生文藝月刊》主辦,從全港中學生的投稿中選出37篇編輯推薦的優秀作品,經過初賽和決賽的甄選,由作家評審團選出年度三甲。六丙班的招泳同學創作的微型小説〈校園失竊〉於芸芸作品中脫穎而出,奪得全港季軍。招泳同學選修中國文學科,對文學創作興趣濃厚,她靈活運用課堂所學技巧,創作出耐人尋味的推理小說。作品獲評審讚賞:「敘事環環相扣,構思極具匠心,有可發展成長篇的潛力。」

招泳同學接受頒贈季軍獎座

#### 雄辯滔滔展才華 開平巾幗勝鬚眉

本校中文辯論隊於2月27日參加由九龍真光中學主辦,政制及內地事務局資助的「全港中學生兒童權利辯論比賽」。

本校擊敗拔萃男書院的出賽隊伍,成為該場次比賽的優勝者。比賽辯題為「父母不應強行要求子女遵行中國傳統文化觀念」,本校的站方為正方,參賽隊員包括主辯四甲班王海欣、第一副辯四乙班曾小鴻、第二副辯五乙班芮敏琦和結辯四乙班王詠朗。



侃侃而談 堅定自信

藉著是次比賽,本校辯論隊成員得以和友校同學切磋辯論技巧,觀摩友校同學的表現,吸取寶貴經驗,對辯論 隊成員裨益匪淺。

#### 關愛尊重齊實踐 「和諧校園人生週」

由輔導組舉辦的「人生週」活動已於三月份圓滿舉行。是次活動的主題為「建立和諧校園」,通過一系列的活動,包括「網上偵探遊戲」、「四格漫畫創作比賽」、「標語創作比賽」,讓初中同學明白關愛和尊重他人的重要。在此衷心感謝輔導組老師及朋輩領袖策劃以上各項活動,更特別鳴謝「家長教師會」贊助是次活動的禮物,以鼓勵各得獎同學。盼望疫情早日過去,明年活動大家再見!



師生同心共建和諧校園

#### External Awards 2020- 2021

Activities A	wards	Awardees	Activities	Awards	Awardees	
ACADEMIC			Solo Verse Speaking – Non-Open	3rd	Chan Kei Ying (5A)	
International Biology Olympiad-Hong Kong Contest 2020 Bronze Prize Yau Ho Hin (5B)			Secondary 5 – Girls	2 1		
			Solo Verse Speaking – Non-Open Secondary 2 – Girls	i 3rd	Shum LokYi (2A)	
第十屆《香港中學生文	文藝月刊》校園1 軍	創作擂台陣 招泳 (6C)	Solo Verse Speaking – Non-Open Secondary 3 – Boys	3rd	Liang Chun Yin (3A)	
Hong Kong Secondar	<b>ary Schools Deb</b> Champion	Ho Hoi Ying (4A)	Solo Verse Speaking – Non-Open Secondary 3 – Boys	3rd	Chan Ka Yan (3D)	
		Lau Yan Ting (4A) Cheng Wing Ying (4B)	Solo Prose Reading – Non-Open Secondary 2 – Girls	3rd	Luk Yan Ching (2E)	
		Cheung Hei Ching (4B) Kwok Chi Fung (4B) Wong Tsz Shun (4E)	Solo Prose Reading – Non-Open Secondary 5 – Boys	lst	Davide Andrea Rongji Sallustro (5B)	
全港中學生兒童權利辯	語論比賽	VVOIIg 152 SHUIT (TL)	Public Speaking Solo	2nd	Cheung Hei Ching (4B)	
	勝者	王海欣 (4A)	Secondary 3 and 4 Public Speaking Solo	2nd	Chloe Baluyos Rosario (4C)	
		曾小鴻 (4B)	Secondary 3 and 4	2110	Critice Bardyos (103ario (10)	
		王詠朗 (4B) 芮敏琦 (5B)	第七十二屆香港學校朗誦節	5 (中文)		
Astronomical Training Programme for Secondary Students			詩詞獨誦 - 粵語			
	kcellence Award	Yang Yule (4A)	中學一年級 — 女子組	冠軍	袁嬉恩 (1B)	
		Cheng Hau Yan (4B)	詩詞獨誦 — 普通話		去持里 (1D)	
Young Ambassadors for Geoconservation Training			中學一、二年級 — 女子組 散文獨誦 — 粵語	冠軍	袁嬉恩 (1B)	
Programme	outstanding	Lo Siu Yeung (5A)	中學二年級 — 女子組	亞軍	麥天恩 (2C)	
	_	Yeung Siu Fung (5B)	散文獨誦一粵語	ш-	× / / / (20)	
		Hau Toi Man (5A)	中學三年級 — 女子組	季軍	蔡欣怡 (3A)	
OUTSTANDING STUDENT			散文獨誦 — 普通話			
OUTSTANDING STUDENT			中學一、二年級 — 女子組	亞軍	邱梓悠 (1E)	
2020-2021 年度「九章			散文獨誦 — 普通話			
	出初中學生獎 異獎	邱可晴 (3A) 楊小鳳 (5B)	中學一、二年級 — 女子組	季軍	汪楊凱莉 (1B)	
Sir Edward Youde Memorial Prizes 2020/21			SPORTS			
		Wong Lok Hei (6D) Yu Yik Ki (6B)	ASICS Hong Kong Junior Age Group Athletic Championships 2020			
Ng Teng Fong Scholarship		11 X X( (F.A.)	Boys A Grade Discus Throw	Gold Med	dal Wong Kwan Yu (5C)	
Harrison Mark Wee Calculation		Liang Yun Ying (5A)	Boys A Grade Shot Put	Silver Med	-	
Upward Mobility Scholarship Future Stars		Wong Hoi Wing (5A)			()	
		Lin Wan Feng (5E)	ART			
A.S. Watson Group HK Student Sports Awards 2020/2021 Wu Hei Man (5C)			My Australian Christmas C	Card Com	petition 2020	
			Junior Secondary School Category First runner-up Cheng Hiu Ching (3C)  Art Box Competition			
						SPEECH FESTIVAL
72nd Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival (English Speech)			第十三屆校園藝術大使			
Dramatic Duologue Secondary 3 and 4	lst	Cheng Hoi Ching (4A) Leung Wing Lam (4A)		侯黛雯 (5A)		
Dramatic Duologue Secondary 5 and 6	lst	Chan Kei Ying (5A) Wong Sum Yi (5A)	MUSIC			
Dramatic Duologue			73rd Hong Kong Schools Music Festival			
Secondary 5 and 6		Yeung Siu Fung (5B)	Zheng Solo (Junior)	Champior		
Solo Verse Speaking – Nor Secondary 6 – Girls	n-Open Ist	Ko Wing Ka (6A)	Zheng Solo (Senior)		er-up Cheng KaYing 4A	