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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

A Time of Gratitude and Many Firsts

It is our collective achievements that have made it possible to conduct our 60th anniversary celebration activities and many school events in these past two months. They were held with great success, giving us all wonderful memories.

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. The Thanksgiving Service was a time for us to receive God's blessings for the past 60 years of the school, and a time for us to turn our eyes towards the good that has come into our lives. I had the liberty of reading every message card you wrote for teachers and the school, and I have shared your gratitude with your teachers. It is gratifying to see your sincere and shared love towards the school and our teachers.

The constraints and challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic only push us further to do better by achieving many firsts. We had a non-traditional seating arrangement for our choir and orchestra members at our Thanksgiving Service, which helped set an atmosphere of peace and prayer. To prevent mass gatherings, we turned our Open Days into guided tours for invited P6 parents and students, earning much appreciation and applause from guests. We also held our first physical Christmas Service at Holy Trinity Cathedral, strengthening the connection between the school and our church.

As we close out the year, I sincerely wish our Jubilean family a blessed and happy new year. May we continue to embrace our lives with great joy and immense gratitude for all our blessings. Enjoy this issue of the Newsletter.



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SPEECH DAY



This year's Speech Day, where the accomplishments of Jubileans were celebrated, was another success. Signifying the end of the six-year journey in Bishop Hall Jubilee School, it was an important and meaningful day for the Form Six graduates to receive their high school diplomas, be congratulated, and share the joy with families and friends.



As special guests entered the hall, we all stood to greet them. We sang the school hymn together, listened to the speeches of the Supervisor, Bishop and our Principal, Ms. Lily Wong. Ms. Wong summarized the fruitful results of the School in the past year and reminded the graduates to always be grateful. One of the surprising facts that I learned from the report was that we, Jubileans, earned the most awards for the School this academic year.

We also invited The Most Revd. Andrew Chan, Archbishop and Primate of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui as the officiant to award the graduation certificates to our graduates. The Most Revd. Andrew Chan encouraged us to always have a heart of "trust, kindness, and beauty" and enrich our lives and the world with openness, tolerance, humility, and love.

The other speech that I'd like to mention was the Valedictorian Speech of the Class of 2021, where they shared heartwarming memories of their school life at BHJS and expressed their gratitude to everyone who supported their 6-year long journey.

Congratulations again, not only to the award recipients, but especially to the graduates who are now starting a new chapter of their lives!



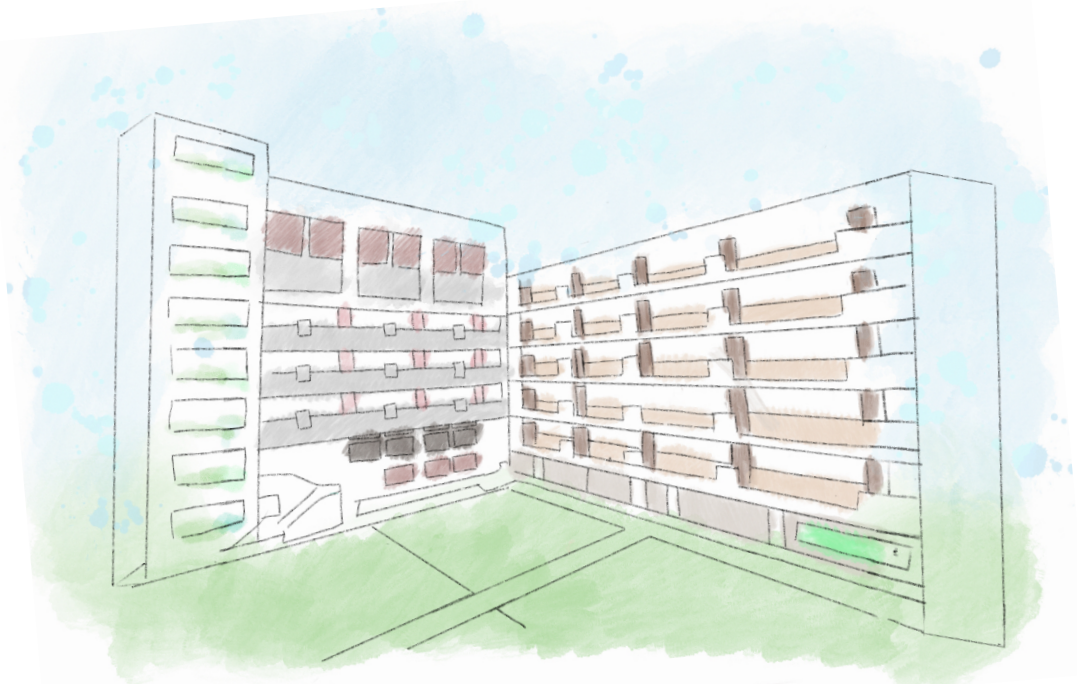
THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OPEN DAYS

It was a pity that our school couldn't hold an open day last year due to the Covid pandemic. We had to settle for uploading an Open Day clip on Youtube, which really missed out on real-time interaction and sharing with parents. This year however, thanks to the determination and hard work of our principals, teachers, student ambassadors and Open Day staff, our 2-day Open Day was held on campus successfully, receiving much acclaim from guests.

The first thing parents and kids see when they arrive in the hall is a passionate welcome from our student ambassadors. Student ambassadors served as helpers and tour guides, they were very decent and took a friendly approach to kids to make them feel that we are a loving environment. What's more, our student ambassadors also patiently answered questions by guests and parents, informing them



The Open Day opened with stunning performances from the dance team and the choir. Our dance team and choir is symbolic of us, so it's not surprise they took a professional attitude towards rehearsing and performing in Open Day. We could see that the guests were all very impressed with them, and it was a joy for us to see their hard work pay off.



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Led by our student ambassadors, parents took a guided tour of the school campus. The tours included sharings by teachers of different subjects, such as Chinese, English and Maths, on how teachers make their subject topics interesting and engaging for students. For example, some Chinese passages selected for the DSE curriculum were turned into song form by our alumnus, Ken Wan, to help us memorise the passages. Guests were also offered tea made by our schoolmates who enrolled in a tea ceremony course, showing how the school offered us opportunities to further our awareness of culture which helps our understanding of language, not just forcing through rote memorisation. Parents not only visited the newly renovated library and chapel, but were also shown a variety of school extracurricular activities, with a range of activities as diverse as from Chinese debate to rock-climbing. They even watched “Curse of the Church Bell”, a spectacular mini-drama performance by the English Drama Team!



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While the guided tour was oriented towards parents, the school also provided plenty of game booths for visiting kids. The STEM Society, Boy Scouts, Gardening Society and more poured their effort into designing fun activities for kids. For instance, the STEM Society had booths like Robomaster, where kids controlled a robot to shoot projectiles at targets, and tattoo printing, which lets kids use a machine to print a temporary tattoo on their arm. They showcase the school's STEM achievements as much as they entertain children. Moreover, there was even an area where children could have a go at skateboarding, and they were taught some basic skills and tricks. Not to mention they had a chance to make bouquets and bracelets with dried flowers at the Gardening Society's booth. After playing 8 game booths, kids could choose from a selection of souvenirs, such as stationeries, tote bags, and magnets, all of which were designed by our artistic schoolmates and teachers, who put elements of our school into the designs.

This year's Open Day was successful beyond our expectations. We managed to create a captivating, informative and memorable experience for both parents and kids despite the many restrictions under the Covid pandemic.



It is a testament to the diligence and dedication of students and teachers involved, and we can really see how they took our school motto "I am not born for myself alone" to heart.



GOSPEL MONTH

Amid the pandemic, school hours are shortened but there is a greater distance among teachers and students as we strive in our hectic schedules. This year, themed 'Rejoice in Hope', the Christian Education Committee aimed to bring warmth back to the campus with a series of events.

The Morning Worship as well as Song Dedication are two conventional practices of the Christian Union teachers and students. Early at 7:45, the league sang uplifting hymns to praise the Lord as they greeted and cheered for their schoolmates. Song dedications was held daily as students' loving messages and blessings were sent to one another all around the school.

The Evangelical assemblies were in place in the fortnight for students and staff to reexperience the love of the Lord. The hymn singing, testimonies and sermon by U-Fire and SKH have reminded us that despite the turmoil and apprehension which recurs in our community, God is always here and He sees our heart, giving us comfort and support as always.





GUIDANCE WEEK

With the goal of promoting mental health, the guidance week has finally arrived. A speech by a social worker marked the start of the guidance week. This speech was mainly about an armless boy and his growth. From having great depression, to being able to complete normal daily tasks, and winning a swimming award. Through this heartwarming video together with the encouraging speech from the social worker, it was hoped that the resilience of students could be raised especially in the time of trial.



The speech ended with a distribution of gifts prepared by the guidance committee. In each gift, there is an exquisite book mark and delicious snacks. On the front of the book mark was a motivational quote to cheer students up from their pressure of uniform tests and exams. While the quote at the back is from the bible, picked by the Christian Union to remind students that God loves everyone and will never leave us no matter what happens.

Besides the speech and gifts, there were more. Different fascinating activities and booths were held in the playground. The queues of students and their laughter filled the school. The members of the guidance committee said they were the most proud of feeling the joy of students even with their masks on.



THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

To celebrate the school's 60th anniversary, the Thanksgiving Service was held on 10th December in the School Hall. Only the F.1 and F.6 classes joined the physical service, but the whole school was immersed in the solemn and celebratory ambience, thanks to the professional school choir and orchestra. Honourable guests included alumni, former teachers and principal.

The officiant reiterated the importance of a serving heart by saying the Bible scripture Matthew 25: 40, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' The scripture and the sermon by Bishop Kwok Chi-pei underscored the role of servant leaders at school and in real-life contexts; and are reminders for Jubileans to live out the school motto: We are not born for ourselves alone.



Dr. Sitt Wing Hung, graduate of 1977 and Dr. Chan Sum Yin, graduate of 2001 addressed the audience by expressing their love and gratitude for the school. Feeling thankful for teachers' guidance and inspirations, they recalled how they aspired to dedicate themselves to the medical field. Ho Chun Pui from 6D shared his best moments at school and how life at BHJS turned him a student ready to practise the love of the Lord in future. The service ended in cheers. The participants left the hall, filled with bliss and blessings.





PRINCIPALS' VISIT



On 3rd December 2021, our STEM ambassadors, Bryan Wong (4B), Colin Tong (5A), Jason Chen (5E), Walter Li (5E) and Matthew Ng (5E), presented our solar power projects to principals from the Kowloon City District. They introduced the infrastructure of our solar power system on the rooftop. Also, they introduced the activities held by STEM ambassadors as well as giving our distinguished guests a VR tour of our campus. Amazed by their presentation, knowledge and enthusiasm, the principals had a great time with our STEM ambassadors.

