

ASHK NEWSLETTER

Empowering students to be independent critical thinkers and responsible global citizens



Thursday, March 28, 2019

11:30 am Assembly

12:15 pm International Taste Fest

Parents are invited to attend the activities listed below. These activities will start in your child's homeroom class. There are no ECA's on March 28th.

Class	Activity 1: 1:00 - 1:40 pm	Activity 2: 1:45 - 2:25 pm
KG2A	Guatemala: Human Impact on Animals	India: How do People Change the Earth?
KG2B	India: How do People Change the Earth?	Guatemala: Human Impact on Animals
G1A	Ancient Egypt: Pyramids and Hieroglyphics	Luck of the Irish!
G1B	Luck of the Irish!	Ancient Egypt: Pyramids and Hieroglyphics
G1C	Going North - Winter in Iceland	Heading South - Summer in New Zealand
G2A	Heading South - Summer in New Zealand	Going North - Winter in Iceland
G2B	Egypt: Cairo's "Garbage City" and Recycling	North America - Dream Catchers
G2C	North America - Dream Catchers	Egypt: Cairo's "Garbage City" and Recycling
G3	Thailand: Cultural Encounters	Stars and Stripes: American Traditions
G4	Stars and Stripes: American Traditions	Thailand: Cultural Encounters
G5	Environmental Issues of SE Asia and Geography Challenge	Día de los Muertos: A Festive Mexican Tradition
G6	Día de los Muertos: A Festive Mexican Tradition	Environmental Issues of SE Asia and Geography Challenge
G7	You Can't Go Home Again: Salmon Migration in the Pacific Northwest	The Interconnectivity of Geography and Food
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Upcoming Coffee Morning

The Chinese Program for Native Speakers

Focus: reading and writing strategies; resources; ways to motivate children

Note: This session will be conducted in Chinese

Tuesday, April 2 (8:00 - 9:00 am)

Presenters:

Ms. Eva Qin & Ms. Penelope Hou

Upcoming Coffee Morning

"Treasure Island Camp" Information Session for Parents of Grade 4 & 5 Students

Tuesday, March 26

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Presenters:

Treasure Island Staff
Mr. Murdock and Ms. James

Author Visits 2019

We were honored to have multiple, internationally renowned, children's picture and chapter book authors visit ASHK in March as part of the HK International Young Reader's Festival! Every student in the school was able to take part in this experience!

These experiences included . .

- hearing a book talk on how books are published by Candy Gourlay,
- learning about creativity through the exploration of a messy workshop presented by Caldecott Medal winner Matthew Cordell which included the presentation of a special drawing for ASHK,
- being awed by slam poet, Zohab Khan, as he shared his tenacity and grit associated with many failed attempts at the Australian Poetry Slam before his final accomplishment of winning this competition, and
- hearing how Jack Cheng became inspired to write his chapter book for children on a road trip through the American southwest.

All of our students benefited from the opportunity to interact with these real-world authors and artists! What a great way to inspire our students!

We invite you to visit the library and check out our signed copies of these texts! We are open until 3:45 pm daily for parents to check out books. Please go to the LLC communicator page: <https://sites.google.com/ashk.edu.hk/library> to see more photos of these wonderful learning experiences as well as to check out our school catalog of books!



High School Launch and the IB Diploma Program at ASHK: The Gold Standard in Education

We were very pleased with the large number of parents who attended the “High School Launch” Coffee Morning presentation held on March 19th. Mr. Jalsevac informed parents about the school’s plan to introduce a credit-based ASHK Diploma and how the components of that will be blended with the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program beginning in August 2021/22. Students will take the IB Diploma Program in their last two years of high school.

If you were unable to attend this session, we encourage you to visit the Parent Communicator where a copy of the presentation notes can be found.



Re-enrollment

Parents are reminded of the deadline for re-enrollment for the 2019-2020 academic year is Monday, April 1. Please complete and return your form this week if you have not yet done so.

We’re pleased with the very high student retention rate we have seen thus far from those who have returned the form. Please feel free to contact the Admissions office if additional information is needed.

Next Dress Down Day Friday, March 29

We will once again be collecting a \$20 donation from each student with all proceeds going to support students and teachers affected by Hurricane Michael in Panama City, Florida. For your information, Mrs. Mallery’s sister is the Director of Communications for the district and has first-hand knowledge of where our donations could be best used and appreciated.

Don't miss out on our



We look forward to seeing you
next Thursday, March 28th.

