




THE ENGLISH NAVIGATOR



WIN 7 has currently been released in the market to try to provide computer users with more user-friendly and efficient ways to work and play with various computing software and systems. Its appearance is intentionally to take us to enter another new era of computing technology. As we all know, electronic gadgets have become indispensable in our modern life. The more advanced technologies we have developed, the more varied electronic gadgets we get. If we do not know how to use them with careful attitude, they will become our masters. Therefore, being a wise and good user of those gadgets is definitely important these days.

3+3+4 education system has officially started this school term. To local teachers, students, schools and parents, how much has it brought them and what is expected? In this issue, some present Form 4 students would like to share their opinions about the experience they are encountering. It is worth understanding their challenges and difficulties.

As the New Year has come, let me take this opportunity to wish you all the best in 2010.

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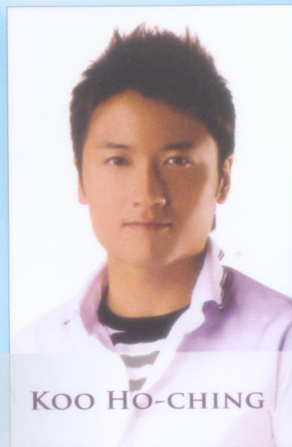
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Profile

A young man, who carries titles as singer, actor, stage performer, master of ceremony, music creator and player, dancer, TV program host and more, enlightens teenagers' heart through his incessant outreach and modest ministry service in the community. His name is Koo Ho-ching, Zac.

His success in the entertainment industry these days does not impede him from witnessing Jesus on different occasions. He came to our school to share with the senior form students wholeheartedly about his 'old' self and how he finally found the true and unfailing love from his trustworthy God. People might have different interpretations towards love. They might misunderstand what true love means and how it abides in people's relationships. Zac experienced what frenzied and disordered relationships were. He understood that he truly could not live with such an unreliable and fallacious foundation of love. He decided to re-confirm his commitment to Christ and let HIM take the lead for his future. Having dedicated his trust to the Lord, Zac finds a clear target that he lives for Christ now. Through HIM, he can do many meaningful things. The Bible has reminded us,



Zac

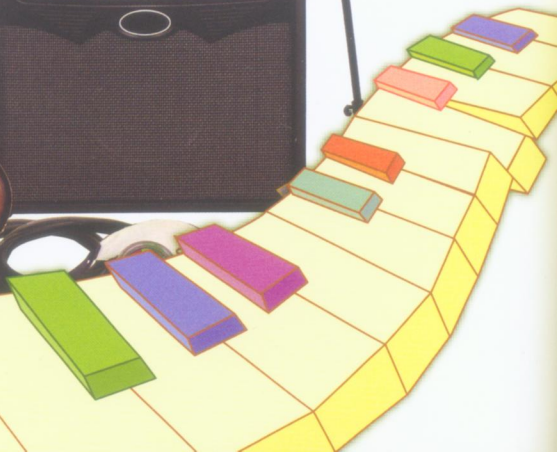
KOO HO-CHING

'I am the vine, you are the branches: he who is in me at all times as I am in him, gives much fruit, because without me you are able to do nothing'.

(John 15:5)

Zac's personal testimony strongly proves that your life can be different and more colorful if you admit to depend on the ultimate source of love ~ God.

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My Favorite Gadget



My favorite gadget is my camera. Beautiful scenes and memorable moments will not appear again. I try to recollect all of these moments which are as shiny as pearls. However, I can't really carve all the pictures on my brain. That's why I love to use the camera to capture the image I want. My camera helps me to retain the best moments. One day when I grow old, I can still pick up my album to see the laughing faces of my friends and the impressive scenes in my life.

Xie Lina (4A)



Hi-tech gadgets are so indispensable that we cannot stop relying on their convenience. My favourite gadget is the computer because of its variety of features. Nowadays, almost every family has a computer at home. It is clear to see how essential it is.

Without a computer, we can only go to the library to search for information. Since there are numerous books in the library, it is extremely troublesome to find the books. The computer has provided us a convenient way to satisfy our demands. Having access to the Net, we can easily get the facts or details we want.

A variety of technological products are widely used by everyone these days. At the same time, many new gadgets are still being devised. Despite having a tremendous number of technological products, a digital camera is always my preference. I am addicted to taking photos since I like to capture spectacular scenes and precious moments with friends.

The computer also shortens the distance of communication among people of different nationalities. For example, we may browse Facebook to make friends with people all over the world. If we do not have this advanced gadget, it will be like living in an ancient era.

People are fond of buying cameras with striking good looks. However, I usually buy a digital camera because of its outstanding features. The latest models of cameras are always designed with loads of great features. I like to add some frames to decorate the photos. What about you?

Lee Min Yin, Athena (4A)

Wong Cho Yan, Joan (4A)



Topic



Jerry Hung S7A (7134)

Topic:

'With the advancement of technology new gadgets are developed every day. It is crucial to use the most updated mobile phones or computers so as to keep abreast of technological development.'

In this technologically advanced era, a number of people spend most of their money on purchasing the most updated technological products such as mobile phones, computers and so on. Is it valuable and crucial?

To commence with, the most updated products are not tantamount to the most suitable ones for us. In normal practice, the newest products include not only the basic functions, which the old models have, but also some new functions. That is the selling point of these products and that is also why they are more expensive. However, are these functions really necessary for consumers? For example, the overwhelming majority of the newest mobile phones have a photo-taking function, but many people do not use the function because they have a

better camera to replace it. Hence, it is foolish for people to spend a huge amount on the latest models. Moreover, the latest models usually contain a lot more functions than needed, such as the connection to the Internet. Do many people really need to get online 24 hours a day?

In addition, to keep purchasing technological goods will pose a threat to the earth. Under the impact of commercialization, businessmen promote new products around the clock so as to make profit. If we buy the most updated products all the time in order to keep abreast of the technological development, we will make a great deal of electronic rubbish. Our landfills are limited, but electronic rubbish will keep soaring if we do not stop pursuing the updated products. It is undeniable that the space of our landfills will be full in the end. Moreover, the electronic rubbish is toxic. It is harmful to the soil, rivers as well as the whole eco-system.

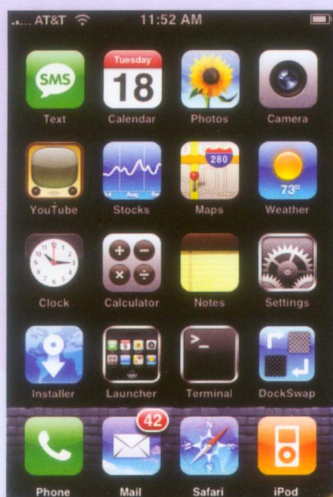
Although the new model has its advantage of better quality, do we really need to buy one? We should not follow the trend blindly; otherwise we will be enslaved by technology.



Chan I Ki 7A (7116)

Nowadays, technology is rapidly developing. Many people think that using the most updated mobile phones or computers can make them trendy as well as win the acceptance of the others. However, they consider much less the amount of money they need to spend as a result of buying these gadgets.

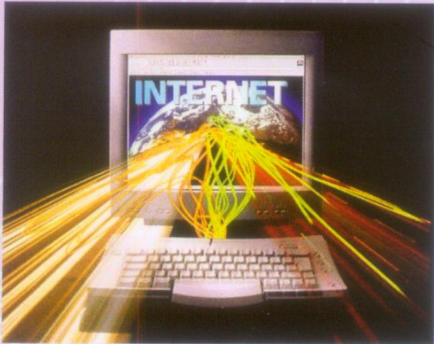
First of all, the new models of mobile phones and computers are highly priced. Some of the mobile phones can even cost HK\$5000 each. How can a student afford to pay such a high price for a new product again and again? Teenagers should not spend money on buying luxurious goods. In fact, it is hard to earn money and many parents earn money to make ends meet. Spending money



Gadgets

on luxuries will cause financial difficulties.

Moreover, there is much technological waste in Hong Kong. Some will be sent to the mainland as it requires a vast land for dumping. Yet dumping products that are still useful is a waste of the resources of our Earth. It also produces poisonous gas which affects our health adversely. Unless we reduce our waste, the Earth will continue to suffer from problems such as land pollution and global warming.



Furthermore, fashion is mainly developed by some commercial companies in order to enhance their income. Even though you may be extremely trendy, it does not mean that you will win the acceptance of others. To win the acceptance of others, you should be pleasant, considerate, friendly, cheerful and kind, but not buy the most updated technological products to show off.

To sum up, technology is swiftly developing. We can't spend for the sake of keeping abreast of the development as we should care for our families and the environment. We should cherish the things we own at the moment but not waste them. It will be great for us as well as the Earth.

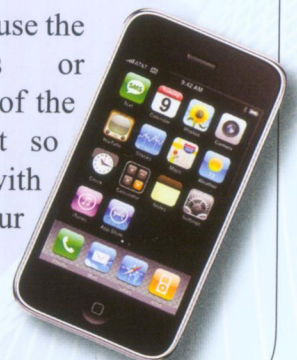
Ivy Hung 7A (7121)

In Hong Kong, a well-known international city, technology and new gadgets are developed everyday. This situation helps Hong Kong keep abreast of global development. As Hong Kong citizens, we need to use the most updated mobile phones or computers so as to keep pace with technological development.

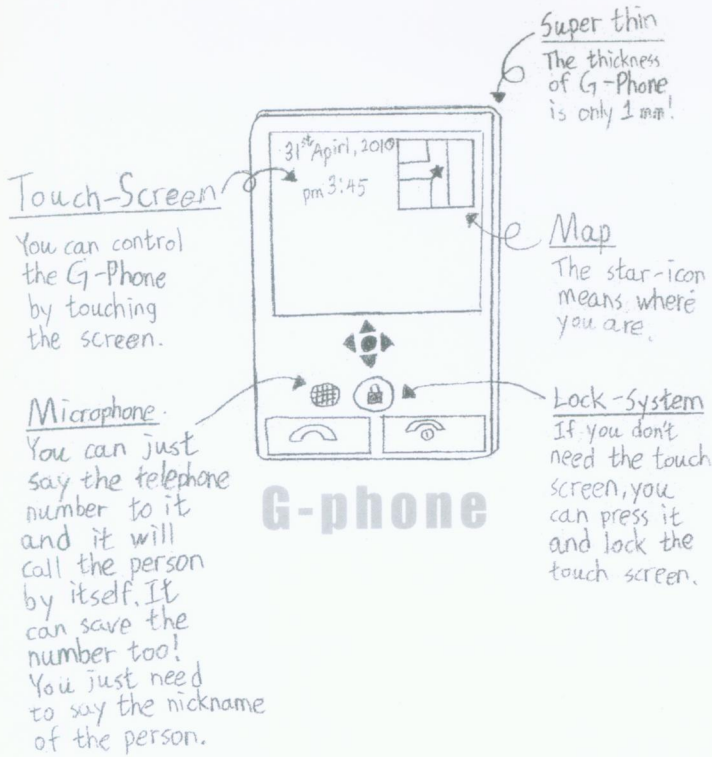
Using the latest mobile phones or computers is essential for seeking jobs. As you know, Hong Kong is putting more and more effort into developing the technological industry. More and more jobs require technological knowledge. If you use the most updated gadgets, you will receive the newest technological information and skills which are vital for work and life. In other words, you can keep yourself competitive and well-informed in this technology – oriented city.

In addition, using the most updated mobile phones or computers is beneficial for one's social relationship in Hong Kong. In the 21st century, everyone is chasing higher living standards. As the economy develops, more and more people are rich enough to afford the newest gadgets. If you don't have one, it is hard to communicate with others or chat with them because those people may think that you are outdated and are different from them. Subsequently, using the latest gadgets can help you to keep pace with the social trend and to widen your social circle.

To conclude, it is crucial to use the latest mobile phones or computers to keep abreast of the technological development so as to keep one updated with information and improve our social relationships.



Gadget Designer I



This is the newest mobile phone designed by me. Its name is 'G-phone'. It is the thinnest phone in the world. Although the thickness is just 1 mm, it has the best system and functions. Apart from the trendiest and effective 'touch screen' function, it has a wonderful fast link to 'Map'. Users can access the 3D maps and find where they are by the GPS - global positioning system with the help of satellites. It's cool, isn't it?

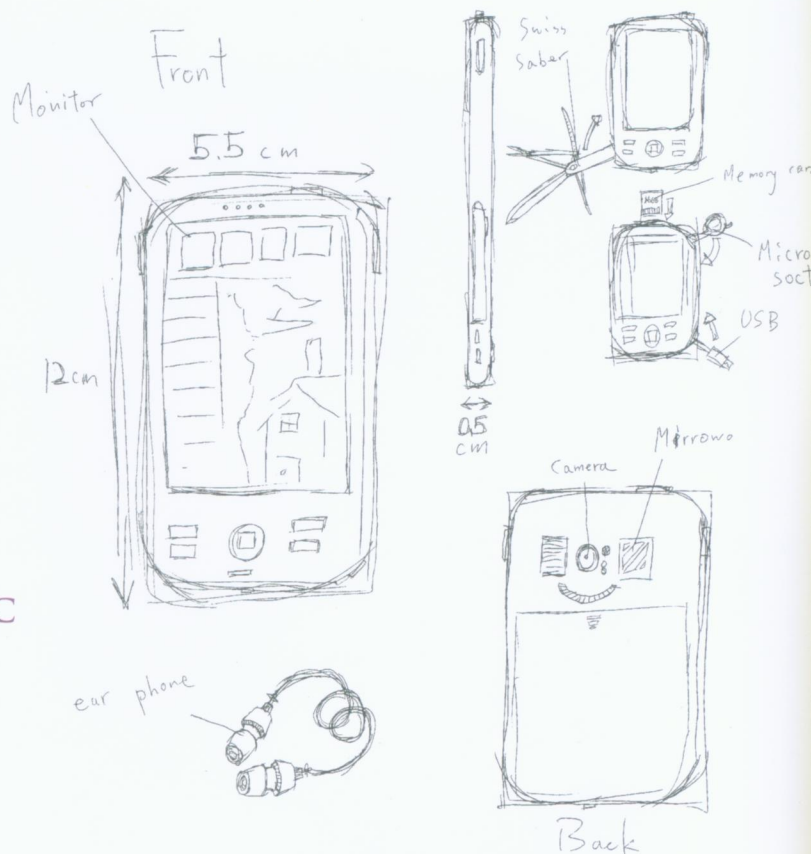
Designer:
GOGO LAM Tsz Yin 2D

Gadget Designer II



This multi-functional mobile phone has a 50 mm X 100 mm screen. It is equipped with a Swiss Saber which is ideal for camping. Besides, it has a 12.8 mega pixels camera for taking ultra-high quality pictures. Accessories included are a 16GB memory card, Microoct Soct, and stereo blue tooth ear phones. They enable users to store memorable snapshots and funny videos.

Designer:
TOMMY SHIRE CHUNG NAN 2C



My Favorite Website

Www.airliners.net is a destination for all aviation spotters. More than 200 thousands of aviation pictures provided by professional photographers all around the world makes the site become the top of all familiar lists in the cyber space.

My initial contact with this website was back in 1999. When I was searching on the Internet to look for some pictures of airplanes one day, the search engine from www.yahoo.com recommended it to me.



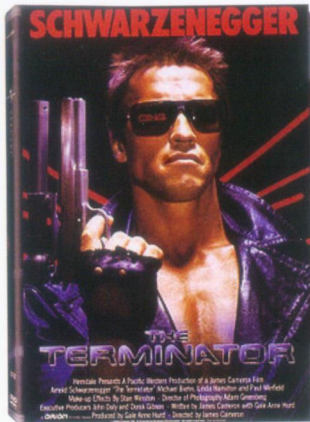
I am impressed by those amazing shots of different colorful airlines taken in different airports around the world. With some brief description of each picture, it provides readers with important and updated information of the aviation world through articles, forum and related links. All information provided is also very professional and based on the true data of airlines. It is not fictional.

As an aviation enthusiast, I strongly recommend this site to you since it is not only good for photographers to share their masterpieces but also helps promote the aviation industry.

After eight years of daily visiting to the site, I can say that it is my cream added to my routine work of life.

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Some sample work for SBA



From legendary comic figures such as Superman, Spiderman and American Captain to contemporary Hollywood action movie stars like Bruce Willis in the *Die Hard* series, Arnold Schwarzenegger in *Terminator* and Sylvester Stallone in *Rambo*, these characters are all considered as American Spirit ~ the symbol of heroism as well. They all play as those who try their very best to protect people around them and even sacrifice themselves to save the world as their final mission. Superhero films have always hit the Box office in American society. There is no doubt they play a dispensable part of Hollywood movie industry.

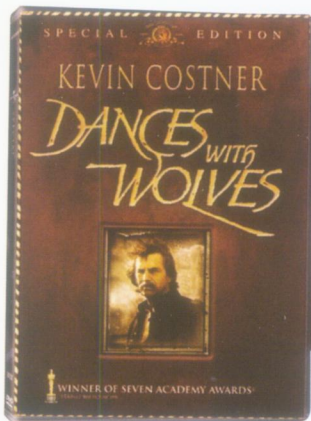
Some comment that this kind of movie pertinently reflects the inborn heroic characteristics that the Americans have. What's more, they more or less reveal how the Americans think of themselves since the featured human heroes possess supernatural powers and they are more superior to normal people so they can always complete missions impossible. The flip side of the party criticizes the Americans as arrogant and considering themselves as the best human race. Pragmatically, "Do Americans really want to send some messages to the world through the movies and demonstrate their role of being the world leader?" and "Is heroism a bad spirit for people to have?" Bearing these questions in mind we are going to further analyze them in different cultural aspects.



American heroism originates from the long history of the migration. As North America was discovered as a new continent which gave people new hope and new dreams, many immigrants moved from around the world to explore that piece of land. The influx of those immigrants also brought many adventurous and exploratory spirits. Since they were pioneers and founders of the new border, all they needed were courage and a risk-taking attitude. They could allow themselves with no-return fortitude to discover and expand their living space no matter how challenging and tough the environment was. This kind of living attitude has been instilled in many American's lives. Being independent and audacious helps Americans build the country. No fear and no return is truly a symbol of heroism.

Based on this inherent spirit, Americans find themselves a race which can overcome difficulties with their risky but righteous force. To help save people from a suffering environment in order to fulfill and accomplish their belief of democracy and equality, Americans have become involved in many military operations in the world history. The Gulf War in 1990s, Americans played an indispensable role in leading the allies' troops to help protect Iraq from conquering Kuwait. At that time, the American president, George Bush became a hero who defeated Saddam Hussein, the dictator of Iraq. Acting as an 'International Police' to maintain the international

discipline and peace, American heroism claimed the victory and also expanded from the American soil to the Middle East due to the war. Furthermore, in many natural disasters around the world, American government does serve as a great 'helper' to provide the needy countries with a lot of humane aid raids. This action significantly demonstrates and proves that Americans are not only the ones who have military power to affect the world but also the ones that can 'save' the world wherever cries call upon them for help.



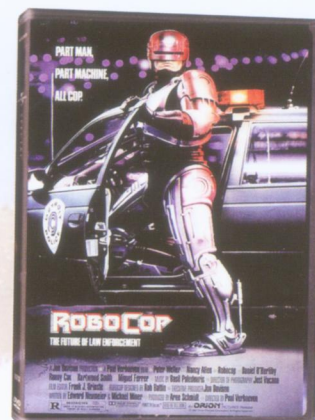
Movies reflect people's way of life. In the States, the biggest movie manufacturer, Hollywood, has produced thousands of heroic movies to promote Americans' Spirit. 21st Century Fox has continuously and earnestly made those heroic movies to reflect what American ancestors left them ~ "a never give up but save others with sacrificing spirit". Dances with Wolves, (1990) played by Kevin Costner shows the abovementioned conviction.

In the movie, John Dunbar tries his utmost to save the Indians and helps them fight against the conquerors. He gives up his own personal identity as a frontier developer but shifts himself as a member of being an Indian. He plays a role as the one with fortitude and gallantry to help the hopeless Indians. His heroic presentation in the movie is vivid and impressive. In fact, the movie does not only describe the early American history but also the corroboration with Americans' innate strong missionary heart to 'save' and 'sacrifice'.



RoboCop (1987) is one of the famous and heroic movies in American movie industry. As an action film, the main character, Alex J. Murphy was created to stop crimes in the city of

Detroit which is described as being on the verge of collapse due to financial ruin and crime-unchecked place. Murphy, the RoboCop, successfully helped save the city by fighting against a team of criminals in the story. RoboCop represents the heroic role who maintains discipline and peace for Americans.



Based on the abovementioned examples, they vividly prove that many Hollywood movies do include heroism which provides audiences with the great impression of Americans' inherent spirit.

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SMART TEEN TALK



Time flies. I am already a Form 4 student this year.....



I wonder why there is a 3+3+4



Why don't students just study 3 years in primary, 3 years in secondary and 4 years in tertiary



We have got to do something to make sure our students are hardworking in order to help them enter university



Oh...I see. If we only took a 3-year secondary education, then we could study in university. That is great. We all would be extraordinarily -gifted



Yes, let's work hard and see each other in university. You bet man!




Meet you in Cambridge



See you in Oxford.....




My View to 3+3+4

 As 3+3+4 system is entirely new for students who are studying in Form 4, they may not be accustomed to it. In my opinion, the government should provide students and schools with more resources with a view to enhancing 'teaching and learning' more effectively. It is also important for the government to understand that too many and frequent changes may yield negative side effects. It is hoped that the new education system will truly be beneficial to students and train them as future pillars in society.


Joanne Wong (4A)



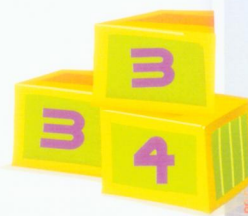
 I support the 3+3+4 education system because we only need to take the one-off exam so that we can enter university. It is good news to us. Nevertheless, it is more difficult than the present HKCEE. We must work diligently to prepare for the future HKDSE.


Ng Man To (4B)



 The 3+3+4 education system is a good one since a variety of elective subjects are provided. I am glad to be one of the students in the first cohort for HKDSE. In the new system, I can have more choices to choose my favourite subjects based on my interests which helps me to increase the motivation of learning too.

Mak Ho Lam (4B)



 To me, the 3+3+4 education system is quite difficult and it takes me time to adjust to cope with the changes. The NSS examination format and requirements of home assignments for different subjects are all new to me. In spite of the difficulties, I will keep studying very hard and perform well.

Tung Wai Lok (4B)



Campus Charity Run 2009



A happy atmospheric carnival ~ Campus Charity Run was held on November 20, 2009. All class-based participants donated money to run for charity. This tradition has been established for a decade already. Each year, students and teachers are devoted to the activity. They really throw themselves in it in terms of organizing cheer groups, designing team jerseys, collecting donations and so on.



With a view to supporting the East Asian Games held in Hong Kong this year, a torch relay was held in our campus as well. Students, parents and teachers joined this special and memorable part of the whole event. As they were running with the torch, it pushed the whole campus to the pinnacle of joyfulness.



Results of the Campus Charity Run 2009:

Champion for F.5-7 grade: *Form 5C*

Champion for F.3-4 grade: *Form 3B*

Champion for F.2 grade: *Form 2D*

Champion for F.1 grade: *Form 1A*

The Best Team Jersey: *Form 5D*

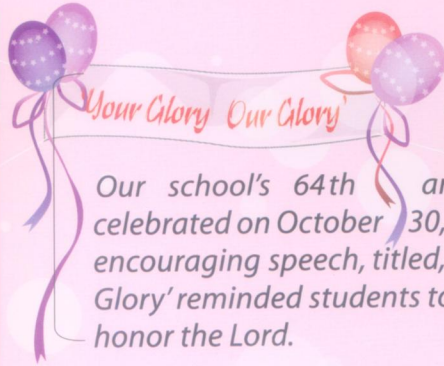


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School Events



Our school's 64th anniversary was celebrated on October 30, 2009. Rev. Lau's encouraging speech, titled, 'Your Glory Our Glory' reminded students to work hard and honor the Lord.



Students received awards from different competitions. Certificates were presented to them at the ceremony.



A teenage group called, 'Grace Singer' from the Philippines was invited to sing at the ceremony. They featured on 'unplugged singing' performance which tremendously touched audience's heart. They also shared the gospel message with the audience in the name of the Lord.



The school choir sang for the Thanks giving Service at the School Anniversary.



47th Speech Day



“Breakthrough”

Wong Yan-lung, SC, JP 黃仁龍 the current Secretary for Justice of Hong Kong was invited to speak at our school's 47th Speech Day.

Mr. Wong graduated from secondary school at Queen's College in Causeway Bay, Hong Kong. His top marks meant that he secured scholarships every year while studying at the College.

He graduated from Cambridge University while on a Prince Philip Scholarship (which is awarded to only one Hong Kong student per year), with a Bachelor of Arts (Law) and Master of Arts (Law) degree.

At his speech, he encouraged students to have a 'breakthrough'. Making a 'breakthrough' requires courage and confidence. He reminded students to remember the importance of enhancing their global understanding and enriching themselves through doing meaningful

things. When most of his secondary schoolmates were proud of studying science subjects, Mr. Wong broke the tradition and chose to study arts. His choice was based on his self-awareness and understanding of his own strengths.

Mr. Wong also encouraged students to participate in more charitable activities to return to the society. Although he is a super busy man, he still shows his concern for the needy at the grass-root level in order to respond to God's love to HIS people earnestly.



Frankenstein Mary Shelly

To continuously extend students' learning in English, **Yellow Castle** organized a stage performance, 'Frankenstein' as the featured English drama this year.



"You seek for knowledge and wisdom, as I once did; and I ardently hope that the gratification of your wishes may not be a serpent to sting you, as mine has been."

One of the famous quotes from the story. Victor Frankenstein, the mad scientist, created the monster and wanted to replace God's power of creation. However, his absurdity only brings the world tragedy.



Our students tried to interpret the theme of the legendary novel and let the audience understand not only the well-known characters but also the exposure to English through drama.



One of the featured highlights of the show is that Junior forms' students played all the important roles in the drama. They also shared the stage with different professional drama preparation work behind the scenes.

The show was unveiled by thunderous and boisterous background in the hall as a group of dark ambassadors soared around to bring the message of the moody and temperamental setting of the story, which successfully captured audience's attention. With the narration, different characters and the writer, Mary Shelley presented their own parts enthusiastically and devotedly.

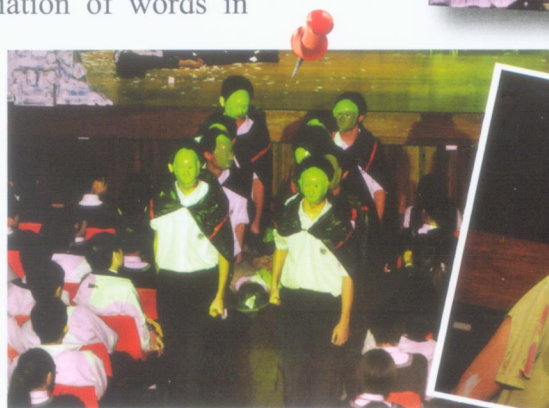


Thank you to those who participated in the show because it really could make the audience ponder their hearts and it also stimulated them to think what life is about and who holds the final power of creating life.

Through this drama, all actors and actresses and stage crews worked together wholeheartedly to make the show succeed. All their dresses and stage props were hand made by themselves. Students' active involvement in the preparation allowed them to experience how a stage performance should be set up. In addition, accurate pronunciation of words in English was quite challenging to those junior forms' participants but they could manage all their scripts very well at the show. They could perform extraordinarily well beyond expectation.

It is hoped that there will be more good shows to be arranged in order to promote an English-rich learning environment in our campus.

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Monster:

Yuen Fung
Chan Kwan Lok

Victor Frankenstein:

Siu Wai Ho

Captain Walton:

Tong Wing Sum
Ho Ka Man

Mary Shelley:

Chui Ka Yan
Liu Ka Lam

Lord Byron:

Ngo Hoi Kit

Percy Shelley:

Chan Wing Yee
Cheung Nga Ting

James Whale:

Ma Hon Man

Stage Crew:

Chan Wing Yan Lau Sin Hang Lai Chi Yan
Yam Wai Chung Lai Yan Pui

Props and Costumes:

Chan Ka Po Chan Kiu Wai Lam Ka Yan
Chung Mei Lam Yeung Ching Yu Yan Suk Mei
Mok Chi Yan

Sound effect:

Lee Chi Wing Sze Man Kei Lau Hoi Kei
Wong Mei Yu Wong Shan Sheu



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