

Ying Wa Girls' School Alumnae Association

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英華女校校友會通訊

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Secondary six student volunteers are recruited for the first time this year to help in the activities of our Association and it has proven to be most valuable. We would like to thank our student helpers for their dedication and assistance throughout the year.

Student helpers for the Alumnae Association:

Front row left:

Fung Wai Shan, Loris So Shun Yan Wong Yan Nok , Louise Fung Siu Suen, Cecilia Wai Yue Ying, Jannie

Back row left:

Wong Nga Lai (Chief Alumnae Association Assistant) Poon Muk Yunn, Grace Lang Chia Wen, Kwan Wing Chi, Vivienne Lam Kam Yin



Quality Education Fund Project

When the new school year commenced in September 1998, we had to face the problem of accommodating four additional teachers who joined the staff this year to make up a total of 68.

This was actually a problem that we were more than willing to solve because three of these teachers were "Added assets" to the Chinese and English departments for the enhancement of language learning and teaching - a two-year project made possible with a generous government grant from the Quality Education Fund.

The project consists of three programmes. The first programme is to set up a Self-Access Centre equipped with multi-media facilities to promote self-learning, in particular, in English. Two co-ordinators, one for Chinese, one for English, will facilitate self-learning with specially designed workshops, worksheets in language learning and ever-ready on-site assistance.

The second programme is an extensive reading and writing scheme in Chinese. Sharing sessions have been conducted by local well-known writers. Response from students was most positive. A book comprising student's creative writings would be published later in the year.

The third programme is to devise supplementary worksheets in English in Secondary 1 to 3 this year, and to extend to Secondary 4 and 5 next year.

Language Fun

The Education Department has agreed that all secondary schools can appoint native English-speaking teachers to support the teaching of English. We are pleased to have an additional teacher from Glasgow, Scotland who, in addition to her classroom teaching, steadily promotes the use of English in extra curricular activities and speech training. Students are observed making good effort in practising English speaking and most of the announcements from committees and clubs at morning assemblies are delivered in English.

The Student Council conducted an English Week in January with a variety of interesting programmes presented in radio broadcast, games, video tape and films etc.

As English is the teaching medium in our school, we hope to create a language-rich environment to promote the language ability of our students.

Inter-School Competitions

1. The 50th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival

The Chinese Choral Speaking Group from 4A was awarded 1st place for their entry in the Verse Speaking. They obtained merit with 89 marks.

The Putonghua Choral Speaking Group from S.1 & S.2 came second in their entry with 87 marks.

Two English Choral Speaking Groups from 4B/C and 3C obtained 4th place in their separate entries.

44 students entered for individual events. It was pleasing to find enthusiastic support from junior classes. Four of them gained 3rd place, six 2nd place and three 1st place.

2. The Hong Kong Schools Sports Federation

a. Basketball - Division 1 - Girls
A Grade: 4th B Grade: 3rd
Jing Ying Championship: 3rd
b. Volleyball - Division 1 - Girls

A Grade: 2nd B Grade: 4th

Ying Wa Cup Tournament:1st

. Swimming - Division 3 A Grade: 2nd C Grade: 2nd

Overall result: Champion (to be promoted to Division 2 next year)

d. Table Tennis C Grade: 3rd

School Improvement Programme

With a student roll of almost 1,200, we feel keenly the lack of space in our school for lessons and activities. Our application for School Improvement Programme was finally approved by the Education Department. The programme, which consists the following main features, will commence this summer.

- 1. To erect an additional open playground above the existing Tennis Court
- 2. To convert the existing canteen into a library. Our present library is already equipped with computerized automation system.
- To convert the existing library into a staffroom for all teachers *
- The two staffrooms on 3/F and 4/F will serve as 'special rooms', one of them will be a multi-media room for the development of information technology in teaching and learning.

We are looking forward most eagerly to the completion of this programme which will allow us to better utilize all the space that we can

Preparation for the Centenary

Isn't it exciting to think of celebrating the centenary of our alma mater in 2000! Plans for celebration are in the pipeline. Please reserve Saturday, 25th March 2000 on your diary and make an effort to join us for the Centenary Thanksgiving Service at school in the afternoon and the dinner in the evening at the Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre. You will certainly enjoy meeting a lot of "long-lost" classmates and former teachers again.

As we step into the last year before the millenium, may I wish you all good health and God's abundant blessings throughout 1999!

《兔》年》賀 新

遠在多倫多的 陳蘊芳老師 诱過電話轉來祝福語:

> "祝各位 神恩永祐 身體健康 事事如意 恭祝 英華萬歲!"

李麗婷老師在去年

日剛歡渡九十二歲大 壽, 謹在此代表各校 友祝賀她:

福如東海 壽比南山

並賀 鮑瑞馨老師 身心康泰

前副校長 李清詞 牧師寄語各同學:

願英華兒女 寸陰是惜 作光無休

前副校長關若蘭 老師誠心祝福各位:

> 新春駒福 自體健康 龍馬精神 萬事勝意

她和部份多倫多校友決 定在明年三月回港參加 母校百週年校慶

YWGS Alumnae Association Executive Committee (1998/2000)

Chairman 主席:

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Student Representatives 學生代表:

資慕黃 Wong Mo Yin 黃家頌 Wong Ka Chung, Wisy Cheung Wai Kan, Christine 張蔚瑾 歐陽健生 Au Yeung King Sang 關鳳娟 Kwan Fung Kuen 譚婉琳 Tam Yuen L am, Amanda 黃雅麗 Wong Nga Lai Lam Kam Yin 林金燕

2000



新學年開始,二樓電梯旁的前學生會事務室被改為「語文自學中心」(按:即校長在前文提及的Self-Access Centre)。這個中心就像圖書館一樣,可供同學找尋學習所需的資料,從「自學」中,提高聽、說、讀、寫各方面的語文能力。與一般圖書館不同的,就是中心內備有不同類型的電腦軟件及影音器材,突破只由老師傳授知識的傳統慣例。中心內有完善的設備,包括多套具上網功能的電腦以及影音器材,亦有很多各類型的電腦軟件及VCD供同學選用。

「語文自學中心」除了提供一系列先進的科技給同學使用外,還會定期舉辦「寫作工作坊」及「閱讀分享會」等活動,亦會出版一份名為「悦書林」的雙月刊,積極地從多方面培養同學對語文的興趣,及鼓勵同學發揮自學精神。很多同學享用過這項新設施後,都對它讚不絕口,認為它有助學習之餘,亦為她們提供了多一個課餘的好去處。他日有機會的話,一定要到「語文自學中心」參觀一下!。

Greetings to all old students of Ying Wa!

Editor's Note: Miss Jenkins, headmistress from 1967 to 1972, now resides in Meopham, Britain. Our reporter wrote to ask her a few questions and here is her reply.

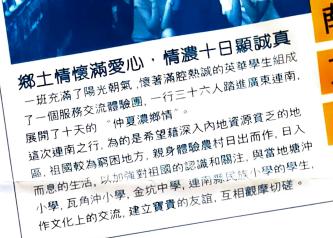
- **Q:** What were your impressions of the new generation of Ying Wa girls from your last trip?
- **J:** It seems a long time now since 1995, and a great many things have happened since especially to Hong Kong.

I greatly enjoyed my return visit and the way I was made to feel immediately at home. I was so pleased to see how lively and bright the present generation of students appeared to be, and also how well-mannered.

- **Q:** What are your favourite hobbies now?
- J: Retirement is pleasant because you can choose what you like to do. I have just returned from a delightful holiday in Pennsylvania. Compared with the journey to Hong Kong, crossing the Atlantic seemed amazingly quick!

I enjoy gardening, reading and music - I sing in my Church's choir, and another choir, and I train the Church's Junior Choir - aged 7 to 16. I can't remember when I last went to the cinema, but T.V. is easy entertainment and I enjoy programmes about antiques - (I suppose I feel at home with them!)

- **Q:** Any favourite book(s) you would suggest for alumnae or students still in school?
- **J:** A book you might enjoy reading? One of my favourites is "The Lord of the Rings" by J.R.R. Tolkein. I can't guarantee you will like it people seem either to love it or hate it. If you've not read it already you might try it and see if you are in "my camp".





- **Q:** Any messages for us all?
- J: I'm asked for "advice". What a responsibility. What is known as "peer pressure" worries me. I think I would advise you to make sure that the decisions you make are your own. Don't get carried away by passing fashions of thought or behaviour. And remember that material well-being is only one aspect of your life, and not the most important.
- Q: What is your most memorable event during your days in Ying Wa?
- J: It was hard to say what was the most memorable event during my days at Ying Wa. However, I do remember very clearly the day we moved into the new building at last, after such a long and uncomfortable wait. It was so wonderful to have space and comfort and the whole school together again after months of half-day school for everyone. I shall also never forget the Chinese play produced by the late Miss Chan Man Hing.
- **Q:** Do you have any suggestions on our celebrations for the centenary?
- **J:** I really have no suggestions for centenary celebrations after the 1995 effort most things would seem to be risking anti-climax! I suppose it should somehow be linked to the millenium.

You may be interested to know that I visited Miss Anne McKeith a few days ago. She is now 95. It was wonderful to find her as well and positive as ever.

I feel very settled here in Meopham. It is only 40 minutes by train from Victoria Station in London so it is easy to call on me if you are free and in London. Just give me a call first. With every good wish to you all, and love from

Evelyn Jenkins

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Message from Miss Yau Ping Wai who now resides in Toronto, Canada

Time really flies! So, I have retired for over two years now but I must admit that I am indeed enjoying my retirement! I play badminton twice a week, and attend line-dancing four or five times a week. My husband and I have more chances of travelling now. We joined two cruises, namely the Caribbean in December 1996, and Alaskan in August 1997, a happy reunion with my Ying Wa classmates. We had toured Central Europe, England and Scotland, then Eastern Europe with Miss Kwan Yeuk Laan in August 1998. We also visited the Grand Canyon and Bryce Canyon in the United States by car to celebrate our 35th Wedding Anniversary in October of the same year. On top of all these, I teach Mathematics on Saturdays in our Church School, and being the chairperson of an adult fellowship and the monitor of a Family Bible Study Group, I have a considerable workload. I really consider my retirement life both enjoyable and meaningful. I must thank God for granting me good health to lead such a colourful life.

I am glad to be given this chance of writing for the annual Ying Wa Alumnae Newsletter so I can take this opportunity to thank my many past students from Hong Kong for their letters, Christmas cards and even mooncake coupons. I would also like to send my greetings to all my fellow Ying Wa schoolmates. I can still remember my closing remarks at our 95th Anniversary Dinner. "See you all again at our 100th Anniversary!!" Looking forward to seeing you all next year!!

News from Alumnae Association in Toronto, Canada

We held our 10th Anniversary Dinner in September 1998; the highlight of the evening's activities was line-dancing led by Miss Kwan Yeuk Laan. Every year, our annual dinner is well supported by schoolmates coming from other cities in Canada, like Vancouver, Ottawa, Montreal and even from the United States. Also, many of our past teachers, e.g. Miss Y.L.Kwan, Miss Lily Chow, Mrs. Allie Ho and myseli take an active part in our Alumnae activities. Miss Kwan, in particular, has been giving her unfailing support and guidance during the past ten years. We must also thank San Yee Fai, Yeung Sau Lin, Chow Wing Ping, Ng Po Chu and many class representatives for their effort. Miss Chan Wan Fong is 92 years old now, and therefore she seldom attends our evening functions. Some of us do take turns to invite her for lunch. We are keeping a strong tie among past teachers and students of Ying Wa in Toronto. We sincerely hope that Ying Wa girls or teachers will feel free to get in touch with us when they visit or emigrate to Toronto.

By Yau Ping Wai

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Miss Yau and her 4-year old grandson, Cody.



社教家政科的黎吳致崧老師,退 休生活比以前的工作更忙碌; 因為她對中國命理概念產生了 濃厚興趣,又希望能整理出一套烹飪與 營養的最新概念,大部份時間都放在閱 讀、整理及搜集資料方面,烹調美食的

在母校工作多年,最令黎太懷念的是家 政班同學每次實習完畢,桌上放滿同學 所做的食物,大家一起分享成果,交流 經驗的時刻。

機會減少了。

對於黎太,退休是人生另一階段的開始,有可能是人生最燦爛的階段。她認為每一個人應在年少時多為將來退休生活舖路,積極爭取一個實現理想的人生階段。

廿校男生

黃雅麗、林金燕 校友會學生助理員

麥齊光、麥齊明先生是一九六八至七零年英華女校首屆的男生。麥齊光先生現任英華女校校董、路政署助理署長,麥齊明先生現任中華電力有限公司系統經理。兩位校友對於推動學校各方面的發展不遺餘力,他們更抽出寶貴的時間接受校友會的訪問。

當日·我們懷著興奮的心情到麥齊光先生府上作訪問·得到兩位麥先生和麥太太的熱情招待·使我們的訪問能在一片歡樂笑聲中順利進行·在此謹向他們致謝!

兩位麥先生對於昔日在校的生活仍然歷歷在目,十分懷念。當時鄭美蓮校長 (Evelyn Jenkins) 及各位老師都十分關心他們,擔心他們不 能適應女校生活。師長們都視他們為己出,時常勉勵他們。 同學間互相幫助,努力讀書,時常留校至晚上八、九時才回 家。由於當時入大學讀書十分困難,所以他們的學習目標十 分明確。雖然如此,他們亦不會忽略德智體群美的發展,積 極參予課外活動,例如學生長、圖書館理員、籌備及演出戲 劇---錦扇緣、參加友校籃球、壘球比賽等。

雖然他們在英華讀書只有短短兩年,但對於英華的辦學宗旨卻十分了解和認同---「非以役人,乃役於人」和「寸陰是惜」。此外,由於學校亦十分重視對同學品德的培養和組織能力的培訓,時刻教導同學們做人處世的道理和追求正確的人生目標,這些宗旨對於他們立身處世和工作上都有極大的幫助。故此他們為英華教育理念的成功感到十分自豪。

要先生覺得「英華人」均十分謙虚、態度堅定、樂於助人、 富責任感、純樸、能以一個平常心看待事情,未知你是否有 同感呢?不過,他們覺得本校的作風過於低調,未能適應時 代的轉變。如果能在適當的時候增加學校的知名度,使英華 女校更為社會人士所推崇,那麼英華教育就得以持續發展, 培訓更多人才,貢獻社會。除此之外,他們最大的期望就是 校舍得以擴建,使師妹們有一個更舒適的學習環境。

看罷這篇訪問會否勾起大家在英華的一些片段呢?會否渴望 與昔日的同學聚首一堂呢?真盼望大家能聯絡你們昔日的同 窗好友一同參加校友會於九九年三月二十四日在金鐘名都舉 行的校祖日崇拜週年聚餐。





歡迎李清詞牧師多倫多聚餐實錄

九八年四月二十三晚上從六時半起在多倫多士嘉堡市 "新世界酒樓"內,陸續有英華女校校友雲集,前來參加 歡宴前副校長李清詞牧師.至八時多開席時共有一百零 二人赴會,包括老師 校友及多位 英華姑爺,筵開十席,極為熱鬧.

邱秉維老師(59屆)及周永平校友(71屆)擔任司儀,代表校友會歡迎李牧師訪多,繼請岑淑蘭(51屆)回顧與李牧師同窗時期的日子,岑校友謂:清詞同學五十年而不變,就讓我們作個以下的分析:

髮型-近年頭髮雖已轉色,但髮型仍和以前一般短和整齊.

服色-清淡樸素, 周莉莉老師卻難忘李牧師長期穿的旗袍, 布料非常別緻,質美及數多, 是夜赴宴首次不見,穿旗袍.

正義感 - 岑淑嫻校友和李牧師同修五年中學,最欣賞她 對人, 對事的正義感,是非分明, 絕不讓任何因素 混淆判斷力.

席間李牧師演講,提及英華女校沒有教我們飛黃

騰達,而是到社會上做 愚人.對別人不願做的工作負起責任.如遇別人打我們的左臉,便把右臉也轉過去受打.

極佳的中、英文水準 - 李牧師的中文底子極好, 英文方面, 因剛從廣州來港升中一,沒有基礎. 但憑着她的努力和苦讀, 不及一年半載, 進步神速, 達全級之冠. 當時教英文的黃徐仲霞老師尤為讚賞. 周莉莉老師在移民加拿大前, 李牧師送一冊子作為離別禮物, 書內是她親手抄寫的英文詩,抵加後每遇心情欠佳或有思歸之感,便取出詩冊細讀,以療遊子之情.

球藝出眾,身手敏捷-鐘敏玲校友(67屆)憶及她上課時佔 班房門的坐位,遇著無心聽課時向外張望,多次看 到李牧師舉步如飛地走上往操場的石級,前往教 體育課.她的敏捷及輕盈至今仍歷歷在目. 岑淑嫻校友在體育課時,常和李牧師對壘打球,亦 多時敗於她手下.

幽默感 - 鄭穎玉校友(61屆)記得在英華畢業後曾往聖士 提反女校任秘書,一次校方邀請李牧師領早會, 事前她向各人預測禮堂內將會傳出豐富笑聲,果 然屬實.李牧師的講詞引得全場捧腹.張振邦姑爺 為合一堂教友,多次聽到李牧師的幽默演講,印象 仍深.

該晚多位校友於席前,席後,分組與李牧師暢談別來近況及攝影留念.席間李牧師前來每一席和各人簡談,道謝,氣氛親切,至十一時後方散席.

何辛懿媯 校友 (59屆) Toronto

溫哥華

The Ying Wa Alumnae Association (Vancouver Chapter) has traditionally included alumnae from both Ying Wa Girls' School as well as Ying Wa College. It has been in existence for more than 15 years. The executive committee of 12 people has equal representation from both YWGS and Ying Wa College. There are usually about 50-60 fee paying members a year, and we hold activities twice a year, usually a picnic or outing in the summer and a dinner in early spring. Although we did not have as many alumnae attending our activities as we wish, the spring dinners were usually quite well attended by alumnae, their families and friends. We also made a point of publicizing our activities in the mass media every time they were held, so the alumnae association does enjoy some profile in Vancouver.

If you know of any Ying Wa girls coming to settle down in Vancouver, please tell them they are most welcomed to contact us. Our correspondence address is:

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1998 年校友會秋遊

十二月五日,是個天朗氣清的冬日,亦是校友會秋季半日遊的日子,今年的目的地是西貢焦坑獅子會自然教育中心。兩輛旅遊車,載滿校友及家人,於下午到達環境幽靜怡然人的目的地,我們先參觀於九七年新開放的貝殼館,內裡展出多款色彩繽紛的貝殼。此外,教育中心還有漁館、昆蟲館、中藥園等參觀點,是個親近大自然的好地方。

當晚晚膳設於清水灣俱樂部,校友們在席間談天説地,大家都很滿意是次的郊遊呢!





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張漢秋老師教授的物理和數學課深入淺出,講解清晰,校友們獲益不淺. 她多年來熱心支持英華,最近更慨贈她名下價值不菲的股息, 推動校務。

張漢秋老師是我最敬愛的老師,所以我今天一定要出席!這是一位七十年代英華畢業生的心聲。她和六十多位師長和校友,在九八年十一月一日,喜氣洋溢地齊集屯門嶺南學院,參加鄺森活圖書館、張漢秋閱覽廳命名典禮暨鄺森活夫人(張漢秋女士)八秩八壽宴。壽宴筵開十多席。大家趁張老師切生日蛋糕時更傾力為她高歌一曲生日快樂,並順祝張老師身壯力健,主恩滿溢!

校友會基金贊助.

校友會全人教育基金在去年贊助了兩項展能訓練,第一項在九八年四月贊助29位中三及中四學生參加一個名為勇闖高峰的野外活動訓練營.課程在錦田舉行,為期兩天,訓練內容包括野外資源應用、原始煮食技術、短途夜行及黑夜獨處等,學員覺得參加這次露營很有價值。

第二項在暑假贊助了四位中三及八位中五學生參加為期七天的外展課程,同學們挑戰自我,表現驕人。



以下是同學們受訓後的感想

外展訓練,顧名思意,即是向外發展,接受新挑戰。"To serve, to strive and not to yield"是外展學校的校訓;初次看到這句話時不解其意,但經過七天的訓練課程後,我們不單明白到內裡的意思,還身體力行將其實踐!

外展基地座立於一個名為往灣洲的島上,課程中我們嘗試了許多新鮮有趣的活動,包括十多公里的獨木舟旅程,攀上十多呎高山崖,然後又如飛虎隊般躍下,野外定向,遠足,露營,行山等等...這些運動除了需要體能,還要智力的配合...在烈日當空的照射下,置身於茫茫大海中實在不知所措. 但我們不能放棄,不能回頭,只有咬緊牙關勇往直前。

我們學會獨立、自信、負責任、團結、互助 互愛的精神,這些都是我們畢生受用的。我 們深深的明白到人生的基本需要,原來生活 就是這樣簡單。而我們亦感受到人的力量是 無窮的,只要能相信自己便能成功。 •

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