

**PTA President's Remarks
HKCA Po Leung Kuk School
School Year 2025/2026**

June 11th, 2026

Dear Ms. Jessica Man, Parents, and Teachers:

What a truly wonderful and memorable year it has been.

As we reflect on the journey we have taken together as a school community, we must first give thanks for the many blessings that have carried us safely through another successful year. This has been a year marked by growth, resilience, compassion, and achievement. We have witnessed our school reach many important milestones, including the introduction of House Systems, in which students have competed in academic, physical, and performing arts competitions, strengthening the vibrant community spirit that makes HKCA Po Leung Kuk School so special. These moments are helping to shape the traditions and culture that our children will carry forward for years to come.

Like our children, we too have grown throughout this journey. As parents, teachers, staff, and community members, we have continued to embody the values at the heart of our school through the IB Learner Profile. We have sought to be principled, caring, open-minded, reflective, and resilient in all that we do.

As President of the PTA Executive Committee, I am deeply grateful for the unwavering support of my fellow committee members and the wider parent body. Whether responding to last-minute requests, volunteering at events, or lending a helping hand wherever needed, you have consistently demonstrated generosity, commitment, and partnership. Your willingness to serve has been instrumental in the success of our PTA and school community.

To my fellow PTA Executive Committee members, thank you for your dedication, creativity, and perseverance. Despite balancing demanding personal and professional commitments, you remained steadfast in your support of our students and school. Your teamwork and dedication ensured that every event and initiative was delivered successfully, and I am honoured to serve alongside such an exceptional group of individuals.

This year also reminded us of the power of community in times of need. When disaster struck during the Tai Po fires, our school community responded with extraordinary compassion and generosity. Parents, students, and staff came together to support those affected, demonstrating the very best of who we are. Through your donations, we were able to fill a 10-foot trailer with essential items for affected families.

Our Winter of Hope initiative became a powerful expression of care and service. Giving back to the Tai Po fire victims gave us an opportunity to demonstrate compassion for the vulnerable members of our community. During this event, we also launched our inaugural Winter Market, which was inspiring to watch our young entrepreneurs in action as they sold toys, books, clothing, handmade items, and even offered unique services such as solving a Rubik's Cube. Their creativity, confidence, and entrepreneurial spirit were truly remarkable and reflected many of the attributes we strive to nurture in our children.

I would also like to extend special thanks to our students in the upper grades who volunteered their time to sort and organise the donated items. Their efforts made the work of our volunteers significantly easier and demonstrated leadership, responsibility, and service in action. Additionally, through the Winter of Hope initiative, we raised over HKD 20,000, which was donated to the Po Leung Kuk Charity Fund to assist those affected by the fires.

Highlights of the 2025/2026 School Year

- Welcome Back to School Night
- Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration
- World Teachers' Appreciation Week
- Diwali Celebration
- Box of Hope/ Sunshine Box (Grades 4-6)
- Halloween Activities
- Winter of Hope and Inaugural Winter Market
- Lunar New Year Celebration
- Open Days (September and March)
- Book Week
- Sports Activities and Equipment Support
- Coffee Mornings, including our first Kindergarten Coffee Morning
- Art Exhibition Support
- Second-Hand Book and Uniform Sales
- Graduation Celebrations
- End- of-School-Year Treat with Ice Cream and Popcorn

Each of these events represents far more than an activity on the calendar. They reflect the collective effort, generosity, and commitment of our parents, staff, and volunteers who continually work together to create enriching experiences for our children. Through these initiatives, we have strengthened relationships, fostered inclusion, celebrated diversity, and contributed to a positive and nurturing learning environment.

This year also brought significant change to our school community, with transitions among both the leadership and the teaching staff. While periods of change can present challenges, they also offer opportunities for growth, renewal, and fresh perspectives. Throughout these transitions, our school community remained united and steadfast in upholding the core values of Love, Respect, Diligence, and Integrity. By supporting one another and embracing change with optimism and

understanding, we have continued to demonstrate the strength, adaptability, and sense of community that define HKCA Po Leung Kuk School.

As we look ahead to the 2026/2027 school year, the PTA remains committed to supporting the School's vision of developing internationally minded students who respect and embrace differences, care for others and the environment, and take action to make the world a better place. Together, we look forward with hope, confidence and a shared commitment to continue building a strong, caring, and thriving school community.

On behalf of the PTA Executive Committee, I extend my heartfelt thanks to our school leadership, teachers, staff, parents, and volunteers for your continued support, trust, and partnership. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve as your PTA President. I look forward to all that we will accomplish together in the coming year as we continue to build a thriving, caring, and resilient school community.

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