

G.T. Newsletter

G.T. (Ellen Yeung) College - Secondary Section

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Move with Urgency!



Dr. Raymond TAM
Principal

The broadening of a student's mind is not **doing** one task that can be accomplished within school walls at one off. As educators, we must **bring** the outside world and its role in students' lives as well. Exchange programs **provide** an excellent opportunity for students to **absorb** ideas and ways of thinking from a new and unfamiliar environment.

In early 2023, immediately after the "End of Covid-19," GT **acted** on our own initiative to **kick-start** the **physical** outbound and inbound exchange programs which have **NEVER** been **put** to a halt by the global pandemic; indeed, all exchange programs had been **conducted** online all the way during the pandemic. The most recent ones were the GTC, MWIT, and KVIS exchange programs during March-April. The Nanshan KeHua School Exchange Program was another must-**mention-in-May** as it **allowed** our G.T. students to **join** two other schools in various educational activities.

Leonardo da Vinci, the genius of all generations, might **share** our G.T. spirit of **doing and doing it well**: "I have been **impressed** with the urgency of **doing**. **Knowing** is not enough. We must **apply**. Being willing is not enough. We must **do**."

A Fruitful Visit: Principals Met for Continuous Collaborations



Mr. Leo Tsui introducing the school campus to Principal Dr. Rakeungdet and his team



Principal Dr. Tam presenting a souvenir – a framed group photo – to Principal Dr. Rakeungdet

On 25th April, our school had the pleasure of hosting Principal Dr. Rakeungdet and his dedicated team from Mahidol Wittayanusorn School, a renowned science school in Thailand. The visit aimed to foster cross-cultural connections, culminating in the signing of a memorandum for a school exchange program between both schools.

From the moment they arrived, the warmth and professionalism of the visiting team were evident. Our school principal, Dr. Tam, and the foreign principal, Dr. Rakeungdet, engaged in a lively discussion, exploring the shared values of both schools and the potential for mutual growth through this partnership. It was inspiring to see two leaders, from different corners of the world, united in their commitment to quality education.

In short, our school values this heartening visit and we earnestly await the upcoming collaborations through diverse international events.

Mr. Leo Tsui & Ms. Esther Chan
Department of International Exchange



Principal Dr. Tam and Principal Dr. Rakeungdet taking a photo after signing the memorandum



(from left to right) Dr. Vincent Tam, Dr. Siraprapa Rawig, Ms. Piriya Youngrot, Mr. Widsanu Tipsiyasn, Dr. Patsavipich Rungrojtrakool, MWIT Principal Dr. Worawarong Rakeungdet, Principal Dr. Tam, Mr. Leo Tsui, Mr. Benny Lai, Dr. Clara Cheng, and Mr. Philip Kwan taking a photo together

Thailand International Science Fair



Dr. Vincent Tam and students attending the award ceremony

Dr. Vincent Tam and three G11A students (Angeline Chan, Hayden Lam and Brandon Tse) joined the Thailand International Science Fair (TISF) from 12 to 16 February, 2023, in Thailand. This international event on Science and Innovation has been hosted and organized by our exchange partner school, Mahidol Wittayanusorn School, since 2017. This is the fourth TISF that our school has participated in. The theme of the TISF2023 is “Mapping out the Future” (https://tisf.mwit.ac.th/index_page.php).

Dr. Vincent Tam
Assistant Principal



Dr. Vincent Tam and three G11A students (Angeline Chan, Brandon Tse, and Hayden Lam) visiting the grand palace



Students presenting their poster



Students attending the welcoming party

Below is the feedback from our 11A participants:

Angeline Chan: “Apart from the academics, I also met friends from different countries and this has made TISF 2023 even more memorable.”

Hayden Lam: “Every event was unique and interesting, and I was truly thankful to get this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.”

Brandon Tse: “The creativity of the participating students was awe-inspiring, allowing me to appreciate the hard work and passion that many of them had for science.”

MWIT-KVIS to GT



MWIT students taking a photo at the HKU's letter stand



Mr. Anselm Kwok teaching Quantum Computing to KVIS students

The GTC-MWIT-and-KVIS exchange programme was held at the end of April and our GT students have created lots of unforgettable memories with their Thai friends. To ensure our Thai friends fully explored Hong Kong, the school arranged abundant excursions, namely M+ Museum, Sai Kung Seafood Street, and TKO Cycling. To enjoy the extraordinary scenery in Hong Kong, all G.T. buddies even brought their Thai buddies to different tourist spots during the night-time. For example, Tsim Sha Tsui and The Peak. It was really great seeing the GT, MWIT and KVIS students get along so well. What's more, having the Nanshan KeHua School students join our Martial Arts Lesson and Leather Workshop is definitely the frosting on the cake! We believe everyone returned home from a rewarding journey and we can't wait to meet more foreign buddies soon!

Ms. Esther Chan & Mr. Paul Lip
Department of International Exchange



KVIS students learning Chinese Calligraphy



Ms. Daisy Yung leading the Leather Workshop for the MWIT students

GT to Nanshan Foreign Language School



Principal Tam presenting souvenirs to Nanshan Kehua School

On April 22, 2023, G.T. College visited Shenzhen Nanshan Foreign Language School—Kehua School to promote educational integration between Shenzhen and Hong Kong. The event included a school tour and performances showcasing different musical talents to facilitate in-depth communication.

At the start of the event, Nanshan Foreign Language School management greeted G.T. College students at the school gate. After speeches by the management team of Nanshan Foreign Language School and Principal Tam, commemorative gifts were presented. The most exciting part of the event was the musical program, which featured Kehua School students performing Beijing opera, pipa, and English drama, while G.T. College students performed a handchimes ensemble, English recitation, various instrument solos, and a chorus. The event concluded with a song "Tomorrow will be Better."

Afterward, Kehua School led G.T. College's management team and students on a campus tour, and they had lunch together. The students reluctantly said goodbye as the day ended. In the afternoon, G.T. College and Kehua School students performed together at Yin'ao International Arts Academy, further exchanging ideas in the field of music art.

Mr. Richard Yiu
Vice-Principal

Mr. Jerwa Ip
Assistant Principal



Management from both schools meeting up for a sharing



G.T. College's orchestra giving a brilliant performance



Kehua School performing an English drama focusing on China's aerospace technology



All the participants taking a "Big Pic" together



Principal Dr. Tam holding a plant with Nanshan's representative Ms. Happy (书记鲁超) in the Geography Rooftop Gardening lesson



Mr. Leslie Tam teaching the martial arts theory to Nanshan students in the Martial Arts lesson.

No one could have believed that there were three guest schools and one host (GT) on the same campus during 24-28 April 2023. No one could have believed that one hybrid local-international school as GT could have entertained three exchange schools from Thailand and Shenzhen. No!! But GT did it all, and we did it in a glimmering, glittering way. Programs ranged from the visit to the Science University of Hong Kong for more university updates, the Shatin Heritage Museum for a quick glance of our Hong Kong tales, to the fun tour of the Che Kung Temple for the local worship culture; the Martial Arts Lesson and Leather Workshop acted as a memory collector for all the students and teachers. Who can fail to save all these jolly fond moments? Who can reject the temptation of a second visit to GT? Non! Non!

Bon voyage, our lovely Nanshan students and teachers. Let's meet in no time!

Dr. Clara Cheng
Department of International Exchange



Mr. Max Yiu encouraging Nanshan students to answer questions in the Chinese lesson



Everyone gathered together after a very successful exchange in all aspects of life



Principal Dr. Tam sharing GTC's philosophy through *fai chun* to Nanshan students at the Farewell Party



Dr. Richard Cheung explaining to MWIT students the dissection of the frogs in the Biology dissection lesson



Nanshan students watching the farewell party video at the Farewell Party



Wow... Sai Kung! Sai Kung!



Time for a visit to a Hong Kong local cafe

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Prefect and SU Camp

Student leaders of G.T. College joined “Life Game for Teenagers” held by Lions Club International on March 18-19, 2023 in Wu Kai Sha Youth Village. Together with nearly 300 students from other schools, participants started a “new life” in “Lion City.” In their new life, some of them were disabled, and some were at primary-school level. With many similarities to real life, participants were exposed to different ways of earning money (scores) to “make a living” (their dinner varied from seafood to bread according to the money they earned on day 1). In the camp, participants got chances to explore how they would like to live their life. Are working, participating in illegal activities, or buying NFTs good ways to earn money? Is life only about money? What are the appropriate ways to spend the money? They spent a lot of time sharing and discussing in the camp.

Miss Alice Chan
MEG teacher



Student leaders of GT College joining the “Life Game for Teenagers” two-day camp



Students completing tasks to earn requirements for jobs in “Lion City”



Students taking part in group discussion



Participants becoming “KOL” to earn big money

Greater Bay Area Math Olympiad



G7 Math Olympiad team posing for a picture



G8 Math Olympiad team posing for a picture

Guangdong—Hong Kong—Macao Greater Bay Area Mathematical Olympiad is an annual math competition organized by the Olympiad Champion Education Group, OCEG. Each year our school sends lots of students from various grades to the competitions. This year we have got good results in the Greater Bay math competition once again. For the group reward, our school obtained second place among all competitors all over Hong Kong. While for the personal reward, Julian Mak (7A) and Issac Lai (9D) received the second runner-up reward and Egan Wong (10D) received the outstanding reward. Each year we select students with amazing math talent for our school’s math olympiad team and before each competition we also conduct training online and offline. It is a pleasure to see how many students with fantastic math skills our school has.

Mr. Alex O
Assistant Principal



Some outstanding awardees showing their awards with our MO teachers



G9 Math Olympiad team posing for a picture

Hong Kong Young Writers Awards is a very prestigious annual competition in Hong Kong which allows young writers to showcase their talents and creativity. This year's theme was the legacy of Judge Pao (包公), where students were invited to write prose, poetry or non-fiction in celebration of this Chinese cultural icon. It is a fiercely competitive competition, with over 200 schools competing for places. This year six of our students earned an achievement: Elyn Zeng (8A) came first place in the Bauhinia Club Non-Fiction category; Christie Leung (9C) came first place in Bauhinia Club Poetry category; Zhena Tse (10A) and Jesse Ma (11C) were both shortlisted for the Creative Writing Fiction awards; and Emma O (9B) and Tiana Ng (10A) both received honourable mentions.

Mr. Danny Sorby, Mr. Mark Sullivan, and Mr. Paul Lip
English Panel



Teachers, students and parents celebrating the joy and pride of the achievement







Jessie MA (11C) and Zhena Tse (10A) being presented with their awards



Christie Leung (9C) accepting an award



Elyn Zeng (8A) accepting an award

Student	Category	Award
Elyn Zeng (8A)	Bauhinia Club Non-Fiction Grades 7-9	Winner 
Christie Leung (9C)	Bauhinia Club Poetry Grades 7-9	Winner 
Zhena Tse (10A)	Creative Writing Fiction Grades 10-11	Shortlisted 
Jesse Ma (11C)	Creative Writing Fiction Grades 10-11	Shortlisted 
Emma O (9B)	Creative Writing Fiction Grades 7-9	Honourable Mention
Tiana Ng (10A)	Creative Writing Fiction Grades 10-11	Honourable Mention



The four winners taking a photo together

Mediation Essay Competition



Melinda Chan (11C) earning the Merits award

The Mediation Essay Competition 2022 was organised by the Department of Justice, the Education Bureau, Rotary International District 3450 and Asia Conflict Resolution Institute Limited. The Competition aims to raise awareness on the use of mediation in daily life to solve conflicts, whether in school, at home, in a business context or in general through essay writing. Three of our students were awarded Merit Awards in this year's competition: Lun Ho Hin (G12 alumnus), Yancy Chan (11A) and Melinda Chan (11C). It proves that our students are high calibre critical thinkers and effective at resolving conflicts. Congratulations on their great success and we hope they can inspire other students to keep polishing their writing up to a high standard on critical issues.

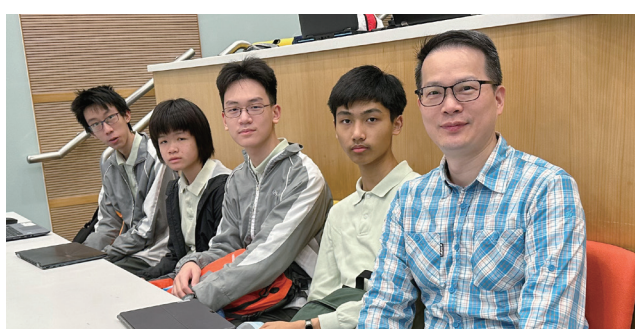
Mr. Paul Lip
English Teacher



Yancy Chan (11A) earning the Merits award

Teacher-and-Student Workshop on “Mathematical Modeling and AI”

Four grade 11 GT students and Mr. Alex O attended a teacher-and-student workshop on “Mathematical Modeling and AI” at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Poly U) on 18 March 2023. The organizers were the Departments of Poly U and International Math Modelling Committee (Zhong Hua).



Mr. Alex O and G11 students attending the event in Poly U (left to right): Matthew Chan (11D), Yancy Chan (11A), Hayden Yung (11D), Nicholas Wong (11A)

會附屬中學). Dr. Wu is an expert in Mathematical Modelling who introduced some projects to us via online meeting.

The third session was the projects presentation by RDFZ students. The first two projects are for the *HIGH SCHOOL MATHEMATICAL CONTEST IN MODELING 2023* in mainland China. They are listed in the table below.

The first session was a briefing of the International Math Modelling Competition by Prof. Liu Yan Fiona (劉焱), Director of Cognitive Computing Lab at Poly U. As the technology of using Big Data and Mathematical Modelling with AI is rapidly developing, the International Math Modelling Competition was established in 2015 to promote this field of mathematical sciences.

Topic 1	“Evaluating Global CO2 Levels and Temperature Changes”
Topic 2	“Modeling Honey Bee Population Dynamics”
Topic 3	“Modeling the Sound Waves of a Guitar and a Piano”

The second session was held by Dr. Wu Di (武迪), a Computer Science IB teacher of **Ren Da Fu Zhong** (RDFZ, 中國人民大

Mr. Alex O
Assistant Principal

Joining Blue Society Summit

The Blue Society Summit (2022) was successfully held on 1st December by The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong. Our school supervisor Dr. Desmond Lee has invited G.T. students to join this “Blue” event. Two of our Green Committee members have joined the summit who are Theodore Leung (10A) and Gordon Ng (10A). The summit has invited representatives from different countries such as Australia, Fiji, Mexico, Chile, South Africa, etc. to discuss the major concerns of marine eco-systems and promise to protect the resources of the ocean.

Mr. Leslie Tam
Head of Environmental Education



Gordon Ng
(10A)

Theodore Leung
(10A)

School Supervisor Dr. Desmond Lee having a group photo with G. T. representatives

Eco-Friendly Competition



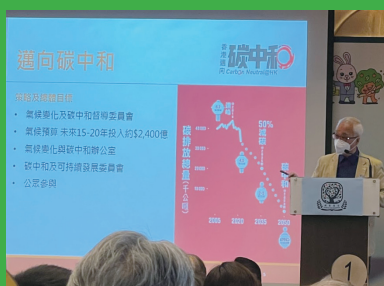
David Wong (9D) receiving the award from Mr. Tse Chin Wan, BBS, JP



Awardees receiving the prizes from Vice Principal Mr. Chan

The geography students participated in the Eco-Friendly Quiz and Slogan Competition organized by the Surein Foundation Ltd. in 2022. They had to finish 20 multiple-choice questions and create one Chinese Slogan. The competition has 1624 participants and five GT students won the awards (mentioned in the table below). Mr. David Chan, Mr. Leslie Tam and David Wong (9D) joined the prize ceremony lunch on 25th February, 2023. They listened to the talk about “Carbon Neutrality in Hong Kong” given by the Secretary for Environment and Ecology Bureau Mr. Tse Chin Wan, BBS, JP.

Mr. Leslie Tam
Head of Environmental Education



The “Carbon Neutrality in Hong Kong” taken being given by Environment and Ecology Bureau Mr. Tse

Award	Name	Slogan
1st	9D David Wong	減排減碳，人人有責。 低碳生活，由今做起。
Runner up	7B Emma Zhang	全球暖化，刻不容緩。 低碳行動，分秒必爭！
2nd	7C Hayley Law	減排減碳齊行動 創造綠色的未來
Merit	7D Ruth Cheung	減碳生活你我齊做， 美好將來齊心達到。
Merit	7E Ngai Tsz K	2050 碳中和，低碳生活， 你我實踐！



Mr. David Chan, Mr. Leslie Tam and David Wong (9D) joining the prize ceremony lunch



Board showing the slogan of the awardees

Pan Pearl River Delta Elite School Physics Olympiad



The Pan Pearl River Delta and Chinese Elite Schools Physics Olympiad was established in 2005 by the HKUST Physics Department. It is held every year during the Spring Festival. More than 30 famous high schools in Hong Kong and more than 100 famous high schools in China, with a total of more than 600 gifted physics students, have participated in the competition this year.

The competition is divided into a comprehensive test and a basic test, with the former questions covering only Mechanics questions, while the latter involves the latest achievements in current science. The

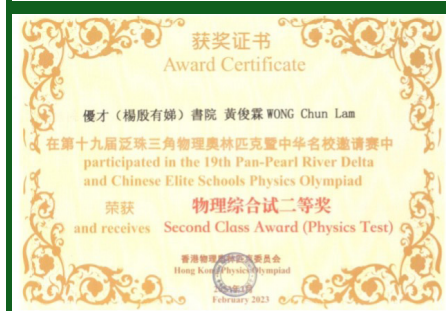
difficulty is close to the level of an International Physics Olympiad.

Our G.T. student Wong Chun Lam, Nicholas in G11A won a Second Prize in the competition on 29 Jan 2023 in HKUST. He also won a Third Prize in the competition last year. We are proud of him. Congratulations!

Mr. Alex O
Assistant Principal



Wong Chun Lam
Nicholas (11A)



Certificates showing the awards

Dialogue with Financial Secretary Mr. Chan Mo-Po Paul



Steven Lee (10C) asking a question



Students from G10 and G11 attending the Dialogue

On 17 March 2023, our G10 and G11 Economics students had a dialogue with Financial Secretary Mr. Chan Mo-Po Paul at the HKFYG Building. They raised several questions towards the Financial Secretary on his latest Budget 2023-2024. Students not only earned new insights from this activity, but also deepened their understanding on macroeconomic issues, such as government expenditure and the economic development of Hong Kong.



Mr. Jerwa Ip, Mr. Karl Yeung, and Mr. Philip Kwan
Economics Teachers



Financial Secretary Mr. Chan Mo-Po Paul hosting the Dialogue



Alpha Wong (11C) expressing his opinion



Leo Lau (11B) asking a question



More than 150 youths joining the "Dialogue with Financial Secretary Mr. Chan Mo-Po Paul"

International Economics Olympiad Winter Challenge

Our school's Economics students have achieved remarkable success in the International Economics Olympiad Winter Challenge 2023, winning a total of 19 medals, including 2 gold medals, 7 silver medals, and 10 bronze medals out of over 1600 participants from 66 countries and regions. GT swept over 10% of the world's total medals - even better than last year's results - demonstrating our students' hard work and dedication to their studies.



Congratulations to Jerry Chong (10A) and Ashton Chow (10C) for winning the two gold medals!

To further develop their Economics knowledge, we will be hosting a training course in April for schools in Hong Kong to prepare for the IEO Hong Kong selection organised by the Gifted Education Council. It is our hope that our students will represent Hong Kong in the main competition in Greece from July 24th to August 2nd 2023, marking the first time our students will compete with their global counterparts physically.

We are thrilled to see our students achieve such remarkable success and wish them all the best in their future endeavours. Their hard work and dedication have made our school proud, and we look forward to seeing more achievements from them in the future!

Mr. Jerwa Ip, Mr. Karl Yeung, and Mr. Philip Kwan
Economics Panel



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A record-breaking number of students and countries around the world being made



Thanks to the IEO Central Office for making this event so successful!



GT students introducing themselves to the world in the online Opening Ceremony

與民政及青年事務局局長麥美娟女士對談



吳子晴同學發言



陳柏綸同學發言



特區政府最近發表《青年發展藍圖》，提出逾 160 項支持青年的政策措施。1 月 12 日，民政及青年事務局局長麥美娟女士出席香港青年協會的直播節目，與 160 名青年互動交談，分享藍圖的願景與工作方向，並了解青年的回應和看法。

優才書院 10 位同學參加了直播節目，其

中 11A 陳柏綸、10A 吳子晴先後發言，向局長表達對特區政府青年政策的意見和關注。麥局長表示欣賞同學的回應，並承諾會繼續走訪學校和社區聽取意見。

葉家源老師、關沛浚老師
國民教育組



葉家源老師與學生到香港青年協會 M21 媒體空間參與直播節目



Principal David Chan

Principal Dr. Raymond Tam



Professor Rex Li



Mr. Leo Tsui



Dr. Clara Cheng



Professor Benny Hon



Principal Chan Ka Pik

Ms. Vivian Wu



Dr. TAM Woon-ling

We were honoured to have special guests from the MISNET in the Reading Club. Professors Li and Professor Benny Hon, as well as some principals from other schools were present at the meeting. We focused on the new intelligences that Gardner has identified and is considering.

To most people, the Naturalistic Intelligence is not new. Gardner added this intelligence to his original list after being challenged by Ernst Mayer (foremost authority in the 20th Century on evolution) that there was no intelligence to explain Charles Darwin.

A second intelligence that Gardner considered is the Existential Intelligence (the intelligence of being able to deal with big questions, for example: Why do we live? Where do we come from?). In this respect philosophers and religious leaders are good examples. Existential issues arise in every culture through art, stories, and everyday life. Gardner is still considering the possibility of the Existential Intelligence. We will see how this develops.

Mr. Mark Sullivan
English Teacher

Gardner believes that teachers should approach education with an emphasis on recognizing and developing their students' multiple intelligences. This entails understanding that individuals have varied capabilities and learning styles and adapting training to each individual's needs.

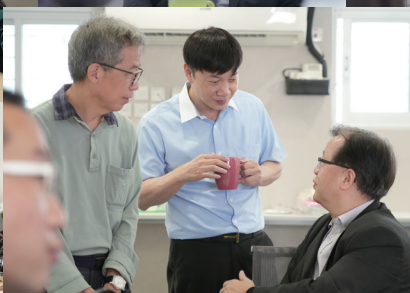
During the discussion, we have shared our thoughts and experiences related to implementing Gardner's approach in our own classrooms. We talked about how we've modified our teaching tactics to better engage kids with different types of intelligence, such as using visual aids for students with high spatial intelligence or including music and movement activities for those with high bodily-kinesthetic intelligence.

Overall, Gardner's teaching theories were discussed in terms of the need of recognizing and embracing the diversity of students' abilities and learning styles, as well as the need to change instruction accordingly. Teachers may create a more inclusive and successful learning environment for all students by doing so.

Ms. Jacqueline Kowk
Biology Teacher



Principal Kwong Wan Siu



Principal Ho Tik Shun



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