



ASHK NEWSLETTER

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Esol Annual Leadership Meeting

As a member of the Esol family of schools our School Director, John Jalsevac, will be attending the Annual Esol Leadership Meeting in Dubai this coming weekend. Topics on the agenda include: Student Achievement Data; Esol Partnership with Stanford University; Strategic Planning; Teaching and Learning Across Esol Schools; Roundtable Sharing; Esol New Schools on the Horizon.

Apple Conference

For three days, our Curriculum Coordinator, Yariv Cohen, participated in an Apple professional learning camp designed to build visions for the ASHK future. Throughout the camp, he interacted with other thought leaders who are building cultures of innovation and then explored the challenges and opportunities which exist in modern learning environments. From exploring how KG2 students use iPads for capturing their learning to watching Grade 4 students demonstrate how they used coding software to create apps - Yariv brings back ideas he is excited to share with you and our staff.

Next Coffee Morning

Please join us and [RSVP!](#)

Date: Thursday October 20

Time: 8:00 am

Location: 3rd Floor Meeting Room

Topic: Assessment

Nature of Assessment

Different Types of Assessment

Self and Peer Assessment

ASHK Assessment Framework

Curriculum Night

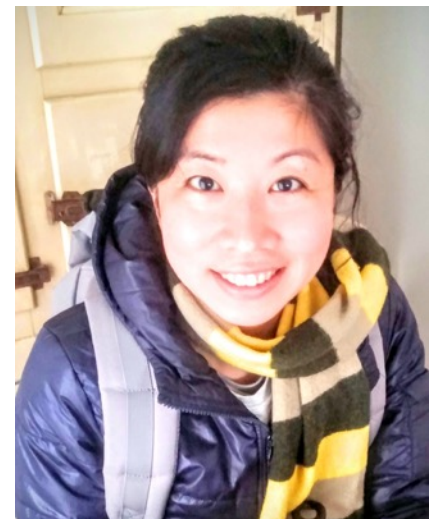


Our ASHK Curriculum Night had a big turn out and allowed teachers to present an overview of the curriculum and share access to their Weebly sites. It was well received as parents who attended said, "Teachers did a fantastic job" "Very informative" "My son is happy here and I'm happy too" "Kudos to all for the great night" "Everything was very well organized" "The presentations were excellent". Thank you to all for coming and making this a successful and productive evening.



Thank You and Welcome

As we said a huge thank you and heartfelt so-long to Jean Lo for her wonderful support, we had an opportunity to welcome Tammy Wong! "Hello, my name is Tammy. I have been working in a Montessori school in Hong Kong for the past two years. It's my pleasure to be part of the ASHK community from this October. I have met lots of incredible parents and amazing children in the Montessori environment and am excited to meet you all here! Please say Hello to me when you drop by the General Office. I look forward to seeing everyone."



Dress Down Day Funds for Charity

Modelling our ASHK Learner Profile, we were *Caring* and *Principled* when choosing to donate money raised from our first DDD to the Terry Fox Foundation Hong Kong. Students were Caring as they demonstrated sensitivity to other's needs and they were Principled when choosing to donate funds to others over our own personal needs. You may visit this [link](#) to learn more about Terry Fox. We are very happy to report that the ASHK Community has raised \$1640 for this DDD. Thank you to all who participated.

Reminders

Ground Floor Washrooms

We're pleased that so many parents are able to stay with us on the playground for a few minutes every morning and at the end of the school day. If necessary, we would like to ask parents and helpers to use the Staff Washrooms at the end of the corridor rather than the Student Washrooms. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Changing Bus Routes

From KCM Busing: Under no circumstances can a student change buses. They must travel on assigned buses to designated stops. For all bus information you may click this [link](#).



STEAM in Action

Exploration of concepts through our STEAM focus can be seen in every unit and these past two weeks:

Grade KG2: The Kindergarteners at ASHK have been working hard as engineers! This week they learned about weather, roofs and blue prints. After drawing designs of the type of roof they wanted to build, the kindergarteners built a miniature roof and tested to see if it could keep the rain out! Students used different shapes (flat or triangle) and learned that you needed multiple resources (wood and plastic) to build a roof that can protect us from rain!



Grade 1 and Grade 4: Grade 1 students presented their research on germs to Grade 4 students. Each group chose their own way to share what they have learned and helped build ASHK's community while doing so.



Grade 2: We are learning how to be amazing authors! We have been working hard on developing our own personal narratives and are learning ways to improve our writing during Writer's Workshop.



Grade 3: Yesterday we began our investigation into objects and motion. Students rotated through three stations to inquire into how certain variables impact the motion of an object.

Grade 6: Students in 6th grade are learning all about energy, specifically thermal energy transfer. Students are using the Engineering Design Process and applying scientific ideas and principles to build and test a solar oven in hopes of making delicious s'mores from nothing but solar energy! Yum!

