

October 2018

Schoolgramme

Dear Parents,

Thank you to the parents who attended our Dad's Dates last Friday. This is a special evening for both children and their Dads with activities in the classroom designed to show Dads what happens in a typical day at school.

Dad's Date for PM classes will be on **5th October** (Friday) at 6:00-7:30 PM. Please register <u>here</u>. There will be NO school for all PM classes on **5th October**, but the AM classes will be as usual.





Public Holidays

Monday, 1st October is the National Day of the PRC. There will be NO SCHOOL on that day.

Mid-Term Break

Our mid-term break is from the 15th to 19th October 2018. There will be NO SCHOOL on these days. During this time, our School Office will remain open from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.



'Changing the Lens'

Encouraging Space for Success

We will be hosting this workshop on Thursday, 4th October, 9:00 - 10:00 AM. Deborah Holcombe (BA, BS, MA) who is trained in the Neurosequential Model in Education, and serves on the steering committee for Adoptive Families of Hong Kong, will be the speaker of this workshop. Free admission! There are limited seats, so please <u>register</u> if you are interested.





First Steps Programme

Our parenting course, First Steps Programme is back for a second season, with the hope of building the future generations of families through Small World. This course will be presented by the Family First Foundation, a non-profit organization, supporting parents in the delicate task of rearing a family through case study methodology. First Steps will help parents with young children to discover the huge potential that their children have--in character building, habits, values, discipline, relationships, holistic growth--and to learn how to motivate learning in their children appropriately.

There will be 7 on-site General Sessions facilitated by experienced moderators with opportunities for discussion, reflection and application personally with your spouse and in groups with other parents.

For more information and registration, please click <u>here</u>.

Island Christian Academy Admissions

Island Christian Academy applications for the school year 2019-20 Year 1 (for children born in 2014) are open from 1st September to 31st October, 2018. Please visit their website at www.islandca.edu.hk for more details about their admissions procedure. If you are interested, please apply within their application period.



Ear Screening

Ear screening will take place on <u>Monday & Tuesday, 26th and 27th November</u>. Please complete the attached application form if you would like your child to participate in our ear-screening test. The reply slip with a cheque of **\$220** payable to "AlphaHearing Healthcare Limited" should be returned to our school office by <u>Friday</u>, 16th November 2018. Thank you!

Student Interns

We have some student interns joining us from October onwards. They are from the University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Baptist University's Post Graduate Diploma Education (Early Childhood Education), and Yew Chung Community College Higher Diploma in Early Childhood Education programmes. They will be assigned to different classes where they will learn more about Small World and our curriculum.







Parent Volunteers

There are so many ways in which you can help and support us in school. One way is to be a part of the Parent Volunteer Team. There are two teams of Parent Volunteers.

School-based Parent Volunteers will help support our school events such as Open Days, Christmas Plays, Chinese New Year Celebration, Taste of Culture and other Fundraising events.

Class-based Parent Volunteers will support the teachers with their class preparation art work (lots of cutting, colouring bible memory verses, etc.) and also with the children's library books (covering books, etc.).

If you are interested, please contact us through email at office@smallworld.edu.hk or contact your child's class teachers. Thank you!









Vigilance against Communicable Diseases

The Education Bureau and the Centre for Health Protection have urged all schools to be vigilant against communicable diseases.

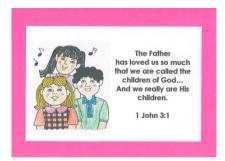
Parents are requested to take the following measures:

- Do not send children to school if they have a fever.
 Guidelines for the measurement of body temperatures can be found at http://www.mdco.gov.hk/english/emp/emp_gp/files/thermometer_eng.pdf
- Inform the school immediately if children are sick or have been admitted to hospital for surveillance
- Keep sick children at home until symptoms have improved and the fever has subsided. Then, the child should take rest for at least 2 more days before returning to school
- Co-operate with the school by picking up children who are not feeling well from school and consulting the doctor immediately

With blessings,

Tess Baguio

Tess Baguio School Principal







Small World Christian Kindergarten is a proud International Early Years Curriculum (IEYC) member. The IEYC is a research-based curriculum recognizing global best practice in early childhood education and the developmental needs of 2-5 year olds.