## Welcome Back to School



Dear parents and students,

It brings me joy to see all of you back at school after months of disruptions to our normal class. And indeed, we need to start learning to live with the new norm: online classes, virtual meetings, social distancing, and much more. Learning is not a process confined in schools only, nor does it cease with the conclusion of one's schooling. It is naturally a lifelong process. We teachers and parents will set good examples of lifelong learning by constantly reading and upgrading ourselves.

At G.T., we work hard to cultivate an environment of joy and excellence. And living up to our motto, I am proud to announce that GT students have once again achieved greatness in our DSE, IGCSE and IB results in 2020. Many of you will be receiving awards and scholarships and we applaud your great efforts.

So, what is next? Well, in this digital age of uncertainty, I urge every single one of you to equip yourself with an international perspective towards world affairs, a youthful and curious mind in learning, a thirst for knowledge, and a positive attitude. And on that note, I wish you a safe and joyous year ahead.

My best regards,

Prof. Rex LI Founder and Curriculum Director

## **School Commencement Ceremony (2020-2021)**



Our School Management Team (From left: Mr. Albert HONG, Mr. Leo TSUI, Mr. Benny LAI, Dr. Vincent TAM, Dr. Raymond TAM, Mr. Richard YIU, Mr. Paul CHAN, Dr. Christine YU, Mr. Alex O and Mr. Jerwa IP)



Principal Dr. Raymond TAM delivering his speech

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted the normal lifestyle of people across the globe; fortunately, the virtual world has come to the rescue. This year our school successfully conducted the school commencement ceremony via YouTube live streaming on 20 August.

In addition to the speeches from Prof. Rex LI and Principal Raymond TAM, our senior management and different departments produced short films to introduce their teachers. Their talent and creativity has impressed our parents and students, resulting in warm responses received through different channels. In response to the requests from parents, our school re-played the ceremony later that day and the number of views was encouraging.

Dr. Ken CHENG, Ms. Winnie AU Heads of School Function Group

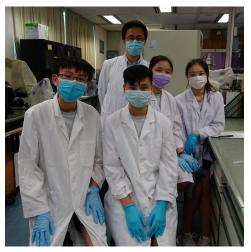
## **Hong Kong Student Science Project Competition 2020**



G.T. students working in the laboratory of The Open University of Hong Kong

I am proud to share with you that four G.T. students from G9 won the Best Potential Award of Junior Division in the Hong Kong Student Science Project Competition 2020. Due to the pandemic, the competition was held online on the 15th and 16th August 2020. The research topic of the students was "Investigation on the Pyrolysis of Polyethene", which is about the technology of turning plastic waste into fuel oil. They spent hours carrying out experiments in a study lasting for more than half a year. Apart from working in the school laboratory, they also had the privilege to use the laboratory of The Open University of Hong Kong. They seriously prepared for the competition and the award recognizes their hard work. With this valuable and memorable experience, I believe they can reach a higher level in their future science projects.

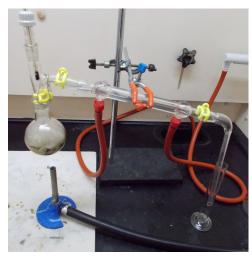
Mr. Adrian MOK Teacher-in-charge Chemistry Teacher



A group photo of participants: (from left to right, front row) Chuck CHAN (9C), Kenny LUI (9C) (from left to right, second row) Mr. Adrian MOK, Iris TSANG (9C) and Kary CHAN (9C)



Students learning to use equipment in the university's laboratory



Students creating an experimental setup to extract fuel oil from plastic

## Summer Training for the Hong Kong Physics Olympiad in Oct 2020

The Hong Kong Physics Olympiad 2020 (HKPhO) held by the HKAGE, HKUST and the EDB was postponed from May to October this year due to the threat of COVID-19. Our team members, Martin LUI, Long Kit YAU, Jocelyn TSUI and Christine LAU, all from 11D in 2020-21, have attended the online Physics Enrichment Program (PEP) provided by the HKAGE since early July 2020. They then attended a series of HKPhO training by Mr. Alex O, the teacher leader. Although students could not come to school for learning and training, our support to students never stops. I hope our HKPhO school team can get well-prepared and enjoy the competition in October 2020.

Mr. Alex O Assistant Principal HKPhO School Teacher Supervisor



**Christine LAU (11D)** 

Hong Kong Physics Olympiad 2020 GT School Team



Jocelyn TSUI (11D)



Martin LUI (11D)

# Making a difference and fostering harmony – Our creative G.T. team striving for the Youth Impact Award

of the competition.



Reasonably-priced clothing and jewellery designed by our artistic students to help the needy

better society.

The idea of our team is to design reasonably-priced clothing and jewellery to help underprivileged teenagers build a better self-image. The team performed well in the preliminary round, public voting and professional judging stage. They are now one of the eight finalists out of more than two hundred teams. They have got ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to implement their idea and show

it to the judges in November. Let's wish them every success in their final round

Four G.T. students, Crystal CHEUNG (9E), Ynes LAI (9A), Flora WONG (9C) and Fiona WONG (9C), participated in the Youth Impact Award organized by The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong when they were in Grade 8. The competition aims to empower young people to contribute to building a

Mr. Billy LEE Liberal Studies Panel Head



A video of our students' presentation



Students demonstrating their products through photos and videos to impress the judges



Students discussing their project and planning actively



Students presenting their ideas through an engaging video



Four outstanding students winning a prize of ten-thousand dollars in a competition organized by The Boy's and Girl's Clubs Association of Hong Kong

#### Ynes LAI (9A)

Entering the final round is not easy. We have gone through a year of hard work and have faced a lot of problems. Because of the influence of COVID-19, we could only meet online. Also, we tried our best to strike a balance between our academic results and the competition.

#### Flora WONG (9C)

In this competition, we have learnt two important things. First, teamwork is really important because this project cannot be done by one person. Second, there are a lot of people in need in Hong Kong. We have to help them with our kind hearts and creativity.

### Fiona WONG (9C)

This competition has given us a lot of experience and the result is out of our expectation. We are grateful that many people have supported us, including those interviewees and people who voted for us. We will try our best in the final round.

#### **Crystal CHEUNG (9E)**

Throughout this competition, we received a lot of help from school. We would like to express our gratitude to Professor Li, Principal Tam, Mr. Billy Lee and Ms Liu. We would also like to thank Vivian Sung and her team from The Boys' and Girls' Clubs for their kind instructions.

## The 21st Century Cup National English Speaking Competition

The 21st Century Cup National English Speaking Competition, initiated by the China Daily Group in 1996, seeks to encourage students from primary to high school, to improve their English language speaking skills. This annual competition has moved from city to city across the Chinese mainland. Twelve of our GT students participated in this competition.

On January 18, 2020, the final round of the "21st Century Cup" National English Speaking Competition, hosted by China Daily Asia Pacific and VDO English, was held at Kowloon Shangri-La, Hong Kong. After some intense competition, a winner from each of the five categories emerged. Katie Leung Sen Fung from GT College was the first runner-up in the Junior Primary category.

Video of Katie's speech:

#### Junior Primary

First Runner-up: LEUNG Sen Fung, Katie

Semi Finalists: LO Kai Dik, Nigel YAU Tsz Ki, Sofia

LEUNG Tin Yi LAM Nok Hei

#### Senior Primary

Finalist: HO Yi Sum, Hazel Semi-Finalists: LEUNG Yui Hei

English Panel Head





▲ Cheerful girls Sofia Yau, Tin Yi Leung, Katie Leung, Hazel Ho and Christie Leung receiving their prizes with Miss Tam in the ceremony



▲ Katie Leung with the distinguished guests Mr. Zhou Li, Ms. Winnie Tam and Mr. Jasper Tsang Yok-sing at

I felt so excited when I was preparing for the competition. The topic was "If I had superpowers". I prepared and practiced very hard for all the rounds. The superpower I chose was transportation. We could transport anywhere in a blink of an eye! If we had this superpower in the future, we wouldn't have to waste time. Using this topic from the semi-finals to the finals, I felt very anxious in every round, but I did my best.

When the Awards Ceremony came, I was so surprised when I heard my name. I got the First Runner-Up! I felt proud of myself and relieved at the same time. I worked so hard till the last step, and I did it --- I finally did it. I also improved

my English even more, so this was a great opportunity to excel my English speaking ability.

Many thanks to my family, Mr. Geiger, Mr. Kennard and Ms. Tam who encouraged and helped me along the way.



Katie Leung

no covid19 no ample online; no zoom no unexpected bloom;

grateful are we to make music for pleasure and treasure

Ms. Lim Cristal

在停課期間,我們只能以zoom上網課, 當中並未有機會合奏, 及後在林老師安排的一次合奏綵排中練了幾次便攝影, 在如此短 時間內能奏出高水準實在難得, 而且表現了彼此之間默契十足, 非常感謝林老師編曲指導和鼓勵小孩接受挑戰!

#### 皇家敲擊巧手導師 嚴嘉敏老師

I'm very happy to have championed in the Percussion Ensemble Class of the HKVMA (online) with Yim Tsz Kiu and Leung Yu Fung. This competition brings us precious moments to enjoy music making under COVID-19. To me, it's more challenging than stage performance because we trio had only one hour to prepare for a perfect take! My appreciation to Ms Lim & Ms Yim for the arrangement and guidance, thank you.

#### Wu Aaron (6B)

感謝林老師的鼓勵·讓我有幸參加 HKVMA 敲擊樂比 賽,明白到台上一分鐘台下十年功的道理。也要多謝 嚴老師悉心的教導,除了獨奏,在合奏比賽大家都能 彼此發揮團隊精神,令我很享受這次寶貴的經驗。

羅凱晴 (5C)



Black & White Rag by G.Botsford 胡毅朗 (6B) 、嚴梓蕎 (6B) 、 梁如風 (6D)





Once Upon A Dream from Jekyll & Hyde by L.Bricusse & F.Wildhorn 聲樂獨唱少年組冠軍 張旨盈(6A)









Allegretto from Sonatina in G by Clementi 敲擊獨奏兒童組亞軍 羅凱晴(5C)





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