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Quarter 4 Highlights

Quarter 4's academics and activities have also been greatly affected by COVID 19. Although teachers conducted zoom lessons and worked hard to provide a variety of assessments, it was a challenge for the students to demonstrate self initiative and motivation towards academics and a greater challenge for teachers to teach effectively with tasks that provide enough differentiation with open questions.

School resumed on 20th May 2020 for the senior grades 10, 11 and 12. The junior grades 7, 8 and 9 arrived on 27th May 2020. A new timetable was planned to maximize the productive use of student's time from 8 am to 1 pm. Classes were conducted while maintaining the social distancing with no group work. All places at school were cleaned as per schedule to maintain a safe environment for the students. Term II exams were conducted as per original schedule. Online exams were conducted over the zoom platform to those students who were out of Hong Kong.

It had been a difficult year for academics and all students missed the fun filled colorful activities for the whole of Term II. Although the parents meeting was not held in this term, many parents with questions and concerns met the teachers over the zoom platform. Teachers could be easily approached by students/parents over the wechat, email and zoom during the whole of this term. Teachers support, guidance and cooperation during this hard time is well appreciated.

We wish all families a happy and safe summer.
Let's all get ready to rock in the next academic year - 2020-21.

Dr. Carter's column

Re-entry

You may have a sense of reentry for space trips. All that heat and energy to get out of the earth's usual routine---gravity. All that time trying to figure out living in a new normal. And then that flaming, threatening return. For having made the trip, there will be a new normal.

That story may be useful as we confront the return to school and other routines. Perhaps some reading this have lived abroad and returned enough to recognize that reentry can happen without leaving the planet; just moving to a new place and then returning to the old. I was driving last summer in a part of the US where I had lived for twenty years. Did they change all the streets?

The story is offered as a bit of support if these next days and weeks seem especially hard. Yes, "Smile behind the mask." But, yes, also can we smile and support each other, in school, in families, in the community, when there is this hard, hard "return" to something that may be in the old building but won't be the old normal. There is a sense in which these days in the Christian Easter season are also reentry. In the Christian story, there was all that suffering as Jesus left earth's usual routine: crucified, buried. And then that return! His followers and friends were frightened, confused. Jesus said to them, and says to us, "Peace." Jesus cared for them and cared for us. His other name, "Immanuel," means, "God with us." He will be with us as we walk this new way. Even if we are still wearing masks, we can smile.



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Uniforms

Summer Uniform

Boys should wear:

- White-short-sleeved dress shirt (with logo)
- White undershirt (if undershirt is worn)
- Dark Blue Trousers
- Black Belt
- Black dress shoes
- Black socks (no ankle-cut)
- School vest (if needed)

Girls should wear:

- White short sleeved dress shirt (with logo)
- White undershirt (if undershirts is worn)
- Blue/ green summer skirt
- Black dress shoes
- Black calf high socks
- School vest (if needed)

Winter Uniform

- White Dress Shirt
- Black Dress Shoes
- Blue Trousers
- Black Belt
- Dress School Tie
- Dress School Jacket
- School Sweater

Winter Uniform

- White Dress Shirt
- Black Dress Shoes
- Winter Skirt
- Winter Dress Jacket
- School Sweater

The school uniform can be purchased from:

Golden Dragon School Uniform
194, Prince Edward Road West, Ground Floor,
Mongkok, Kowloon (Prince Edward MTR B1 Exit)
Phone number: 2381-1408
(Please make an appointment).