

G.T. Newsletter

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

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Dr. Raymond TAM
Principal

Principal's Talk: "Suddenly, All Accomplished; Suddenly, All Dark"

It is no surprise that we have lapsed into the fourth wave of the Covid-19 pandemic after a few months of good rest from the "possible" community outbreak. All catching the virus so quickly, and all spreading like fire; and all while, the pandemic running its course.

Nothing can be taken for granted nowadays: Having a chance to have a meal with four people at one time; going out for a jog without wearing a mask; going back to school in a classroom with a crowd of students embracing their long-awaited intimacy; enjoying the chit-chat with our buddies in real time in the real place. All seems too much of a luxury in the historic 2020-2021.

When I sat mesmerizing the accomplished events or achieved results GT has during the last three months, I could not help savouring the cliché: Time is a key factor in all its presence or all its absence. Marcel Goldschmid, a management coach and professor, in his 2016 article has suggested that effective time management is intimately linked to success, productivity, satisfaction, and wellbeing.

The photos and reflections in *GT Newsletter* (Issue 3) have hinted us to the key concept of time: When we can accomplish something as important in life; go for it as quickly as you can; stay alert and stay positive; stay joyful and stay mindful. Just do it and do it well. Our commitment contributes to the level of productivity, success, satisfaction, and wellbeing in our studies, our work, and even the organisation we are serving.

The 2020 Christmas, as the media put it, "a dark Christmas" for all people and all businesses. True? Literally true, but let's think positive thoughts. The darkness of life is a physical being which shall never dominate the spiritual essence that sustains life itself.

To all the GT family members, I wish you all a safe, serene, subtle Christmas and New Year!

To a Renaissance? To the GT Reading Club



Prof Rex Li with a group of teachers being passionate about MI teaching



GT Reading Club members discussing MI concepts with Prof. Li and Dr. Cheng

Who needs to read more and think more? Students? Parents? The Principal? You might expect the three parties above. Yes, no doubt. But it is the GT teachers who are playing Jacks of all trades as there is no old trade in the MI classroom!

It is apparent that MI or gifted students are always in need of differentiated teaching and learning strategies. This is intriguingly permanent in the MI classroom. I believe most GT teachers share this experience and hold a strong conviction that "all students have strengths and weaknesses which must be supported in a strategic way for them to meet their potential" (Reed, 2007). In view of this, GT Reading Club was established in 2020 August for colleagues who are passionate about improving their teaching and learning strategies in the MI classroom at GT.

If teaching MI students is taking a roller-coaster, there is a real need for their teachers to live in a renaissance "to learn and to have the rediscovery of knowledge and truth." Like students, teachers at GT need to rediscover the self-paced, self-directed learners before their being a multi-faceted teacher-performer.

To Renaissance, to the GT Reading Club! MI students are to be inspired to rather than to be told to!

Professor Rex Li (Curriculum Director) &
Dr Clara Cheng (English Panel Head [Senior Form], Chairperson of G.T. Reading Club)

The 9th Graduation Ceremony

The 9th Graduation Ceremony was successfully held on 16 October, 2020. We were delighted to have Mr. WONG Kam-po, SBS, BBS, MH, the world champion racing cyclist, to be our Guest of Honour, who delivered an inspiring and encouraging speech to our graduates.

Dr. Ken Cheng and Ms. Winnie Au
Heads of School Function Group



Group photo of guests and governors of G.T. college



Principal Tam and Mr. WONG Kam-po, SBS, BBS, MH



Student MCs – Clarence Pang (11B), James Lau (12B) and Vanessa Lau (12C)



Mr. Desmond Lee, Supervisor, delivering the Welcome Speech



Mr. Wong encouraging students to strive for the best



Prof. Rex Li and Principal Tam presenting a souvenir to Mr. Wong



Representatives of Academic Awardees – Megan Louie (12A) and Elizabeth Lam (12A)



Representatives of Academic Awardees – Yoyo Har (12B) and Skye Chor (12B)



Prof. Li, Mr. Wong, Mr. Lee, and Principal Tam congratulating the graduates



Representatives of Academic Awardees – Audrey Lee (12C) and Cherry Chung (12C)



Representatives of Academic Awardees – Vinson Szeto (12D) and Joyce Leung (12D)



Group photo at the end of the graduation ceremony: The "Great Expectation" of the Year



Group photo of 12A graduates and teachers



Group photo of 12B graduates and teachers



Group photo of 12C graduates and teachers



Group photo of 12D graduates and teachers



Student representatives, Priscilla Lung (12A) and Nicole Lui (12D), presenting a souvenir to school



G.T. teachers' "High" School Musical

Graduation Dinner 2020

It was a blessing that our graduation dinner could still be held under this pandemic, and we could have the chance to say thank you to all the teachers that helped us in our secondary school life. Being one of the members in the graduation dinner committee, I felt very proud to see the graduation dinner being held smoothly. I am also delighted to see that people enjoyed the graduation dinner, including the sessions we prepared, such as the Kahoot quiz and the lucky draw. Although this graduation dinner was delayed, there was no doubt that it still created wonderful memories. It was a perfect way to end my secondary school life.

Priscilla Lung
Member of Graduation Dinner Committee (12A)



Mr. Desmond Lee giving a speech at the graduation dinner



Class photo of 12A: Finally this is our dinner



Class photo of 12B: The chance is for those who wait



Class photo of 12C: Nothing better than the reunion



Class photo of 12D: Here we are—men's power (in the front row)



Honourable guests at the graduation dinner



Winners of the Kahoot quiz in the dinner

International Junior Science Olympiad (IJSO) – HK Screening 2021

In the International Junior Science Olympiad 2021 – Hong Kong Screening, our school won the CHAMPION team award. Five of our students, CHAN Wang Chak (9D), HU Kai Yui (9E), LO Yuet Hei (9D), TSE Ching Lam (9E), WONG Chun Lam (9D) were awarded the FIRST Class Honour; while YEE Tsz Tung (9C) was awarded the THIRD Class Honour. The FIRST Class Honour awardees are eligible to participate in the 18th International Junior Science Olympiad Student Training Programme – Phase I.

The Students had received support from both teachers and IJSO alumni to prepare for the contest. There were enrichment courses in Physics (Mr. Alex O), Chemistry (Ms. Crystal Wong) and Biology (Dr. Christine Yu) for advanced learning. The IJSO alumni (John Leung, 12A and Ocean Tsang, 12D) provided their revision notes and challenging questions for our participating students. The hard work of the 6 nominees is highly appreciated.

Congratulations and best wishes for their next journey!

Dr. Christine Yu
Department Head of Science & Mathematics



The students who took part in the IJSO- the budding scientists

Results in Thailand International Mathematical Olympiad 2020 (Hong Kong Region)

Congratulations! Our GT Math Olympiad Team achieved brilliant results in the Thailand International Mathematical Olympiad 2020 (Hong Kong Region) on 11th Oct 2020. Fifty students from G7 to G11 participated in the competition and won 11 Gold Awards, 19 Silver Awards and 13 Bronze Awards. GT College also won the Championship in Secondary Schools in Hong Kong. We thank Dr. June Luo, Mr. Dennis Tse, Mr. Tim Li and all Mathematics teachers for their leading work on the competition.

Mr. Alex O
Assistant Principal
Physics Panel Head

Organization:
泰國數學學會(Thailand Mathematics Society)
奧冠教育中心

S1 Group		
7A	黎程一	GOLD
7A	伍栩然	GOLD
7A	張彥朗	GOLD
7C	李卓頤	SILVER
7E	郭穎謙	SILVER
7A	趙晉言	SILVER
7B	陳卓釗	SILVER
7E	容俊健	SILVER
7C	柯雋謙	BRONZE
7C	程立豐	BRONZE
7C	楊琛渝	BRONZE
7D	黃子皓	BRONZE

S3 Group		
9A	翁朗希	GOLD
9D	陳宏澤	GOLD
9E	謝青霖	GOLD
9E	胡啓銳	GOLD
9D	黃俊霖	GOLD
9D	徐康韻	GOLD
9D	羅悅希	SILVER
9E	彭俊熹	SILVER
9C	余梓彤	SILVER
9D	黃殷禧	SILVER
9C	梁皓俊	SILVER
9F	李鏗源	SILVER
9A	張廣賢	BRONZE
9A	王俊勝	BRONZE

S2 Group		
8B	黃奕勤	GOLD
8A	譚子皓	SILVER
8A	吳子晴	SILVER
8E	張琨狄	SILVER
8E	劉譽韜	BRONZE
8C	郭采嬈	BRONZE
8C	劉若琳	BRONZE

S4-5 Group		
11D	劉若芊	GOLD
10D	鄭謙煒	SILVER
11D	徐若桐	SILVER
10D	衛彥臻	SILVER
11D	李旻晞	SILVER
11D	俞瑋琛	SILVER
11D	邱朗傑	BRONZE
11D	廖銘彥	BRONZE
11D	鄧明琛	BRONZE

IB celebration

This is a year full of challenges for our students, if not, students around the globe with the hard-hitting epidemic lurking in every aspect of our lives. Despite that, our first IB cohort have shown a determination to succeed and they attained excellent results and it certainly called for a celebration. GT held an IB celebration on Oct 13, it was certainly a fun-filled occasion with videos, live Bingo and presentations by our exceptionally enthusiastic MCs, Ms. Jess Wong and Mr. T.Y. Wong. The occasion was capped off with the celebration on stage with IB colleagues and the G.T. management. Congratulations again to every student on their personal achievements in this most extraordinary year!



Prof. Rex Li sharing the joy of excellent IB results

Mr. Leo Tsui
Head of International Exchange Department
Chief English Panel Head



Teachers and the management team toasting on stage



Dr. Tam joining the fun



Mr. Leo Tsui introducing the MCs of the day - Mr. T.Y. Wong and Ms. Jess Wong



Grade 10 students having fun with Bingo game

RSGF 2020 Online



Online opening ceremony

This year, Ritsumeikan High School in Japan arranged the “Rits Super Global Forum 2020 Online (RSGF 2020 Online)” with the aim of solving global issues. Our students had a chance to discuss and collaborate with other students from different nations.

The main subject of the current year is “What Can We Do Under the Situations of the Coronavirus?” From 10-14 November 2020, Sian Lee (10A), KiKi Chu (11B), Katy Hoi (11B), and Carol Yiu (11B) joined the forum, discussing one sub-topic per day. Due to time differences, there were 4 periods a day so that the schools from different countries could participate in one of them. Our students enhanced their worldly awareness and knowledge through these international exchanges.

Mr. Steven Chan
International Exchange Department



Katy Hoi (11B) and Carol Yiu (11B) presenting in real time about nostalgic style



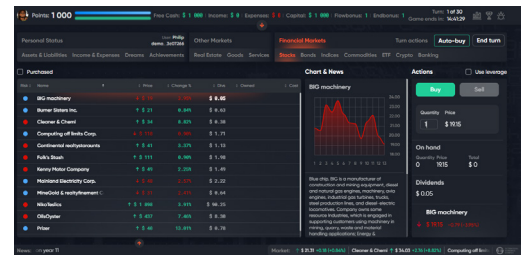
G.T. students engaging in a discussion in the forum

International Economics Olympiad 2020

The International Economics Olympiad (IEO) 2020 was held online from 7th to 13th September, 2020. Our school became the first and only team from Hong Kong to take part in the Open Track competition, which was open to countries/regions without an official Economics Olympiad. Despite a very short preparation time and no prior experience, five Grade 10 students were selected to form a team on behalf of Hong Kong in the IEO 2020. Their marvellous results were as follows:

Open Track Participants	Rank in Financial Literacy	Rank in Economics Test
10B Ellie Siu	15 out of 101	26 out of 79
10C Chan Cheuk Hei	94 out of 101	51 out of 79
10D Conan Cheung	38 out of 101	67 out of 79
10D Jessie Fung	19 out of 101	33 out of 79
10D Sophie Fung	29 out of 101	19 out of 79

Mr. Jerwa Ip, Mr. Philip Kwan, and Mr. Karl Yeung
Economics subject panel



Financial Literacy competition interface



The International Economics Olympiad (IEO)

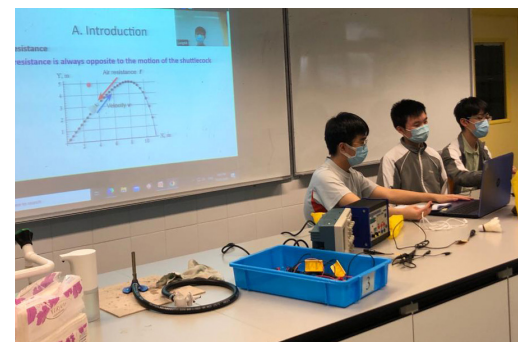
S.T. Yau High School Science Award (Asia) 2020



(left to right) LIU Ming Yin, CHENG Po Hei and YAU Long Kit in Oral Defense of YHSA 2020



Testing the calculated results of the badminton motion



The group presenting their physics project

S.T. Yau High School Science Award (YHSA) was launched in Hong Kong in 2019. There are six streams in the competition including Math, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Computer Science, and Economics. This year, we were honoured to qualify in the Oral Defense (Final Stage) in Physics Stream. G.T. team members 11D Liu Ming Yin, Yau Long Kit and Cheng Po Hei presented their physics project “**Physics of Badminton Motion and Its Fun**” and conducted the Q&A session for more than 20 minutes to a board of renowned physics professors on 25th October 2020, in an online Zoom Meeting. They benefited a lot from doing the project and from the conversations with the professors.

Mr. Alex O
Assistant Principal
Physics Panel Head

Organization:
Hong Kong
Youth Academy of Sciences

Subject Category:
Physics

Liu Ming Yin:

I think the project has broadened my horizons in knowing how mathematical techniques (calculus) can help physics to derive interesting formulae.

Yau Long Kit:

The method of analyzing the theoretical results is very useful to my future studies. I should not think that a particular research topic is difficult or tedious before attempting it.

Cheng Po Hei:

In this project, I've learned a lot about the methods of doing research projects and the skills of presentation. I think I should do more research projects before my future studies.

Student Union Election

The members of this year's Student Union are as follows:

On account of the typhoon Nangka, the election for the school's 9th Student Union was postponed and held on October 14th. In this election, more than 300 students voted with a turnout rate of over 50%. With the help of teachers and prefects, the voting process was smooth and orderly. Symphony, the No. 1 candidate cabinet, obtained 227 votes, while Originator, the No. 2 candidate cabinet, received 100, hence making Symphony the 9th Student Union.

Position	Name
President	Yeung Tsz Nok (11A)
Internal Vice-President	Chan Wing Yiu Rochelle (9C)
External Vice-President	Chan Wing Yan (11B)
Secretary General	Cheung Wing Ching (9E)
Treasurer	Lau Yeuk Chin (11D)
Activity Director	Yip Long Hin, Ronald (11A)
Promotion Officer	Chu Ming Wai (11B)
External Affairs Officer	Ho Lok Yee (9E)
Internal Affairs Officer	Wong Pak Ho Jasper (8E)

Ivan Yeung

The External Affairs Officer of the 8th Student Union (9F)



The Committee Members of the 9th Student Union



No.1 candidate Symphony answering students' questions



No.2 candidate Originator delivering their election platform

G7 Admission Talks



Students enjoying the science activities

The Admission Briefing was held on 31 Oct 2020 (SAT). The function is designed for parents and students from outside to know more about GT. On that day, parents gathered at our school hall and various information was disseminated in different ways such as presentation, sharing and Q&A session.

Parents were introduced to different features of our school such as G7 integration, Talent Development, the International Exchange Program and the JUPAS Offer. Meanwhile, the children participated in experience lessons including English, Sports, Science, Chinese History and Putonghua lessons.



Students playing English games with Mr. Powell

Parents and students gave us positive feedback throughout the function. Many of them stayed behind and asked our School Management Team extra questions. It was a meaningful and enjoyable day for all parents and students.

Mr. Ryan Cheng
Head of Admission Group

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