

Leapfrog Newsletter

Summer Term - May 2010

Read and Remember

Kindergarten

- If you or a carer arrives at kindergarten with a child after 9:15, it is likely that the class register will already have been taken for that day. **Please approach the teacher**, and make them aware that your child is in attendance, in case of Fire Drills, etc.
- In the past, some children have donated a **special book** to Leapfrog on the occasion of their birthday. If you would like to continue with this tradition, we would gratefully accept your contribution which will be dedicated to your child.

Playgroup and Kindergarten

- Please take a look at our **'Wish List'** on display on the notice board. Items that you no longer use yourself can make a considerable difference to us, and of course, your 'junk' such as cereal packets and boxes, is an additional source of cardboard for our arts and crafts projects.
- Please remember the children will need **spare clothes** in the summer as there will be lots of water involved when the temperature increases!

Dates to Remember:

May 20th—CPD day, no School

May 21st—Public Holiday

June 16th—Public Holiday

Last Day of school- June 24th



Summer is here!

Remember to:

- Slip on a T shirt
- Slap on a hat
- Slop on some sunscreen

All Leapfroggers need to wear a hat for outdoor play from Summer Term onwards!

We would like to thank:

- **Lucy Brown**, who donated her doll's prams and pushchairs to the Kindergarten Home Corner. They have proven very popular with girls and boys alike.
- **Molly Austin** from KGV, who did really well helping our Kindergarten pupils whilst on her Work Experience. I know that they all particularly enjoyed working together on the Arts and Crafts table.

Sponsored Walk

I thoroughly enjoyed participating in my first amble through the lush, green Sai Kung Countryside. The food was delicious, and the face painting and games were fun, although I have to say I was very disappointed not to win the skateboard in the raffle!

A big thank you to everyone involved in the organisation, walking and donating and sponsoring. The final total raised for the day was 17,690 HKD.



Maddie Pontikos came in first!

Letter from the principal

Dear Parents

It is very difficult to believe that it is already May, and you will have seen that we are already promoting our 'Fun in the Sun' and 'Sunshine Schooltime' programmes for the school holidays. We do hope that all of you will be taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity to keep making use of our excellent facilities for learning and having fun through indoor and outdoor play throughout the long Summer break. All details on our website at www.hkppa.org.



We are also now accepting enrolments for classes during the Autumn Term 2010. The Kindergarten Class will be split into 2 groups, with the older (K2) children attending from 9-12 in the morning and the younger ones (K1) from 1-4 pm. This means that the formal learning opportunities, such as phonics and number work, will closely match their stage of development, and the adult led activities can be geared towards the specific interests that we observe in the children. We are already thinking of visits to and from people and places of interest in the locality to enhance our projects.

The super 2's unaccompanied session is an ideal method of preparation for Kindergarten, and each week I have seen the children becoming more responsive and independent. If your child is nearly three years old, please come to see us in the Kindergarten class, discover for yourselves the range of activities on offer, and find out why our days seem to fly by so quickly!

I am sure that you all have friends and relatives with children of a similar age to your own, although not all of them may know about the existence of 'Leapfrog'. With more funding, we can provide an even greater range of resources and experiences for everyone, so please pass on our details to anyone you feel would be interested in enrolling in the future. We will be delighted to hear from them, and will welcome the opportunity to show them the marvellous facilities we have here.



Thank you for your continuing support,

With very best regards,

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