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Alumni Association Newsletter

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Welcome from the CSSAA Preparatory Committee



Greetings to all members of the Creative Secondary School Alumni Association and current students of CSS. We wish you have had a great summer so far, and continue to enjoy success in either academic or work progresses of yours.

The Alumni Association is determined to establish a systematic and organised platform for alumni to stay connected with our alma mater, our fellow CSS graduates, as well as current students. We are therefore excited to announce that we have completed our registration process with Licensing Office of Hong Kong Police Force on the date of 19th June, 2018, henceforth making CSSAA an officially registered society. The Executive Committee anticipates that we will be able to organise wider varieties of events for our alumni, as well as to mold a more structured alumni association, following the official recognition.

As we celebrate our own success, we would also like to wish the Class of 2018 the best upon receiving your public examination results. While you head into different directions from your fellow graduates to continue your academic or work pursuit, the Executive Committee looks forward to you sharing your stories and experiences with the rest of CSSAA, and to be an inspiration of your junior classmates at CSS.

CSSAA Preparatory Committee August 2018

News on Teacher Liaison Position

The CSSAA would like to congratulate Cassy on taking up the position of Vice Principal at Law Ting Pong Secondary School starting August 2018. We are thrilled to hear such wonderful news and would like to send Cassy our best wishes. The Preparatory Committee would like to say that it was our privilege to have worked alongside Cassy in setting up the Alumni Association. Cassy's contribution and service to Creative and our Alumni community will be very much missed.

Following Cassy's departure from CSS, we would like to announce that Candice Chan will be taking up the position of Teacher Liaison from the start of the 2018-19 academic year.

Cassy's Message

"Having worked at CSS since the very first day, it has definitely been a long yet challenging and exciting period of time. Along this journey, it has been fortunate as I have learned many things with lots of people, including my students, colleagues and parents. A lot of things were established and we were always doing things for the first time. I am proud of all our students, especially with our alumni. Many of our alumni have begun working in the real world and despite their busy schedules, they still contribute back to CSS through the alumni network and events, as well as to support students who are currently studying at CSS. I am extremely pleased that Ms Candice Chan will be taking up the position as the Teacher Liaison for the CSSAA. Ms Chan's energy and passion in developing the Chinese Curriculum at CSS is outstanding. Her endless and caring support for new colleagues joining the school and students who seek for for support is admirable. As Ms Chan is also a founding member of the teaching staff, she has an excellent relationship with all graduates of CSS. I look forward to seeing the CSSAA to continue to grow and become a very strong network and platform for all CSS alumni to stay connected. "

Candice's Message

接任俞嘉盛老師擔當校友會的老師代表工作, 是既榮幸,卻又百感交集的事 啟思中學創校至今,俞老師與我第一年並肩工作, 不知不覺已有十二年 共事的項目多不勝數,不只在課程上的合作, 還有不同活動的安排 第一年的開放日,我們跟學生一起準備到晚上十一點 第一個中一宿營活動 我們跟學生一起跑一起玩一起唱歌 第一次的舞獅舞龍表演,我們跟學生一起練習一起綵排 十二年以來相處的點點滴滴,是最豐富與珍貴的回憶 俞老師在教學方面的熱誠、籌備活動的驚人魄力 都是我最佩服不已的 天下無不散之筵席,離別在即 我和畢業生雖有百般不捨 卻衷心祝福他 前程似錦 同時也相信 我們的畢業生 從俞老師身上學到非凡的能力 一定能做好校友會的工作 也盼望將來看到更多畢業生與母校保持緊密的聯繫 回饋學校,回饋社會

Candice Chan



Cassy Yu

CSSAA Establishment Timeline

It has been almost a year since the CSSAA was established. Here is a timeline to remind us of what we have achieved so far...

0	2017 Aug	Creative Secondary School decided the school required a representative from the alumni community to sit on the school board
\odot	2017 Sep	CSS appointed Vice Principal Wanita Mou and the Director of School Operations Cassy Yu to facilitate members of the alumni community to form a Preparatory Committee for the setup of the official Alumni Asso ciation
0	2017 Oct	Alumni Association Preparatory Committee was successfully formed by Ivy Chan (2012 Cohort), Teresa Choi (2012 Cohort), Horatius Choy (2012 Cohort), Tommy Cheung (2013 Cohort), Cecilia Kwok (2013 Cohort), and Leonie Chan (2014 Cohort)
0	2017 Nov	During Creative Open Day on 25th November 2017, the Creative Sec ondary School Alumni Association was officially established and announced to the public
0	2017 Dec	CSSAA Preparatory Committee decided to form a Sub-Committee to launch the election for the formation of the first Executive Committee of the CSSAA
	2018 Jan	Election Sub-Committee was successfully formed by Eric Chim (2012 Cohort), Horatius Choy (2012 Cohort), and Kathryn Wong (2013 Cohort)
	2018 Feb	First alumni Poon Choi gathering was held at the Creative School Hall
0	2018 Apr	Cassy Yu announced he will be leaving Creative Secondary School by the end of the 2017-18 academic year, and Candice Chan was appoint ed to succeed the role of Teacher Liaison
•	2018 May	CSSAA appointed Cohort Liaison Officers to strength the bond with each cohort of alumni graduates
0	2018 Jun	CSSAA successfully registers as a society under Creative Secondary School
		To be continued

Alumni Stories: Timothy Tsui (2012 Cohort)

In this section of our newsletter ALUMNI STORIES, we will feature the unique stories from former CSS students. If you want to be featured in our coming newsletters, or perhaps you would like to tell us your story, don't hesitate to get in touch with us!

Timothy Tsui studied at CSS between 2009-2012, and was the House Captain of Juniper, a member of the Student Council, and football team vice captain. He was a vocal and active student within the Creative community, known for his work in promoting student leadership. He went on to study at University of East Anglia, and now working as a Technical Specialist at Apple and Youth Leader at Proclaimers church.

"Someone once said, leadership is not so much getting people to do things for you but more about getting people to care about things because if people cared about things, they will do something about it.

Okay, I lied. I said that. Call me a romantic but I've always believed that in whatever situation we find ourselves in, we are called to do more than the obvious. For example, when we are in employment, I believe we are called to do more than just what the job description asks of you. In school, we are meant to fulfill more than just finishing homework and hanging out with friends. In whatever situation we find ourselves in, we can always make our mark. You can't make your mark if you didn't care.

Are you catching the drift? Harry Potter is a prime example of what I am trying to illustrate here. Harry Potter and his friends could've easily ignored the larger issue and went about doing typical teenager-y things when Voldemort came knocking on the magical doors of Hogwarts, but instead, they chose to stand up for something they cared for and they made their mark. Along the way, they had an adventure filled with so much life experiences that many of us could only dream about.

In September 2009, my opportunity came. When asked if anyone wanted to become house captain. I was the only one who stood up and said yes. I didn't really know what it meant but I knew I wanted to be at every house-related event possible even if I wasn't participating, I wanted to get everyone fired up about as many things as possible and I wanted to know all the names of the people in our house.

I cared and I wanted people to care too. I was fortunate enough to be there when Juniper lifted endless trophies during my tenure as house captain, to be part of a group of people who drafted the first ever CSS student council constitution and the two student councils that came after it. I also had an opportunity to work with some amazing people to cater for both the 2012 and 2013 graduation ceremonies.

We sweated, we cried, we laughed, we shouted at each other and I loved each and every single one of those moments. If any of those moments made you care about something more than your usual routine of homework, fast food and social media, then I think I've done something right. Because all I ever wanted was for you to care."

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Upcoming Events

CSSAA Executive Committee Election Further details to be announced

* Follow us on Facebook @creativessaa to get the updates on these events.

Membership Registration

Why become a Member?

- •To maintain connections with CSSAA and CSS;
- •To join our events;
- •To receive our newsletter 'Alumni Connect'.

If you are a former CSS student, please take a moment to fill in the Registration Form for applying the membership, which can be found at:

http://www.css.edu.hk/index.php/school-life/alumni-association





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