

**St. Paul's Convent School
Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)
Chairman Report 2018-2019
by Mr Timothy Ngan**

This Chairman's report covers the period from 1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019.

We are convinced that parents' involvement in school is a key to our children's personal growth and educational success. Since the establishment of the SPCS PTA in 2007, we have been maintaining a close tie with the school in promoting effective home-school communication and collaboration.

We are pleased to report that we have 520 PTA members, of which 180 enrolled as parent volunteers (PVs) and 36 serve as executive committee (ExCo), Co-opt members and team leaders. We would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to our members for their continued support, and gratitude to the parent volunteers, school teachers and staff for their endless contribution in organizing the activities.

PTA's Highlights of the year:

12th Annual General Meeting (Oct 20, 2018)

The 2018-2019 Executive Committee (ExCo) Members were elected uncontested in the 12th Annual General Meeting (AGM). A highlight of the event was an inspiring talk presented by Mr. Sean Lin, a seasoned public speaker, trainer and negotiator, on "Tips on how to negotiate with our children" 「現代家長的角色與子女相處之談判技巧」.



2018-2019 ExCo Members

Advisor:	Rev. Sr. Margaret WONG (Principal)
Chairperson:	Mr. Timothy NGAN
Vice-Chairs:	Ms. Vanessa CHAN Mrs. Lydia KO (Ex-officio)
Secretaries:	Mr. Geoffrey CHO Mrs. Janet LEE (Ex-officio)
Treasurers:	Ms. Loretta GO Mr. TK YAM (Ex-officio)
General Officers:	Ms. Dora CHENG Mr. Chin CHOW (Ex-officio) Mrs. May HAU Dr. Iceman LEUNG Ms. Candy LUK Mr. Rudy MAN Mr. Freddie TANG Ms. Jenny WU Mr. Johnny YEUNG
Co-ops:	Mrs. M ARRIAGA (Ex-officio) Ms. Phebe CHEUNG Mr. Anthony CHUNG Mrs. Oriana LEUNG Ms. Carman LI Mrs. Mabel LO Ms. Helen MIU Ms. Wendy NGAI (up to Dec 2018)
Legal Advisor:	Ms. Gigi MAK

Parent Volunteers Briefing (Nov 10, 2018)

The support of Parent Volunteers is vital to the success of the School and PTA activities. Parents were invited to attend the Briefing Session which aimed to introduce the regular activities of PTA and the roles and duties of volunteers. Ms. Jenny Wu, Mr. Johnny Yeung, Mrs. Mabel Lo and Ms. Amy Chui introduced the various activities organized by PTA. Mrs. May Hau and Ms. Candy Luk presented a briefing on the 70th School Speech Festival, followed by experience sharing by Ms. Josephine Cheung, Ms. Amy Tai and Mrs. Zoie Chow.



Speech Festival Chaperons (Nov 19 to Dec 19, 2018)

With the increment of quota for parent helpers this year, 101 parent volunteers accompanied students to various sessions of the 70th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival. They were all thrilled by the high spirit of the girls and the enthusiasm of the teachers. The event provided opportunities for our parent volunteers to experience the excitement of the competitions together with their girls, saw their performances on the stages and witnessed the prize-giving ceremonies.



Joint Green Campaign and Help the Needy (Jan 26, 2019)

Thanks to the generosity and kindness of parents and students, a total of 45 packs of recycled items were collected and then donated to the Caritas Rehabilitation Service for the needy which helps the under-privileged children and families in Hong Kong. We are pleased to have the support from the School and school ambassadors of Conservancy Club to make the event a success.



Elderly Home Visits (Feb 23, 2019)

Over 160 teachers, parents and students participated as volunteers to visit Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Care and Attention Home for the Aged Blind in Aberdeen. It was a fun-filled afternoon and the seniors enjoyed very much the performances of Pipa, Cantonese opera, and participated in singing and games prepared by volunteers. With the donations from parents and funding from PTA, 340 gift packs and numerous game prizes were prepared for all the visually impaired seniors residing in the elderly home.



Seminar (March 9, 2019)



Mrs. Silvia Mak, a specialist in gifted education and author of “My daughter Louisa – from a blank slate to a Cambridge graduate and Miss Hong Kong”, was invited to give a talk on 「如何提升孩子的上進心和面對逆境的能力」. She shared her philosophy and firsthand experience of parenting. The seminar attracted a record-breaking of over 200 parents, students and teachers to attend.



Certificate Presentation (July 8, 2019)

Appreciation Certificates were presented to PTA team leaders and parent volunteers by Sr. Margaret WONG in the School's Celebration of Success event.



Team Leaders (in alphabetical order)	
Andy CHEUNG	Cynthia LAU
Zoie CHOW	Elsie LO
Louiza CHU	Miranda NG
Amy CHUI	Vanessa SO
Ibe HO	Coco SZE
Tammy HO	Amy TAI
Maria HUI	Ricky WONG
Doris KO	Jenny YEUNG
Iris LAU	Agnes YIU

Mainland Teachers Development Program (July 17 & 24, 2019)

Over 100 teachers from Shaoguan (韶關) visited the School for an educational program in July 2019. To add flavor to their visit, 12 parents volunteers and team leaders escorted these teachers to tour around Causeway Bay, Central, Tsimshatsui and Mongkok in two half-day sessions.



Rooftop Garden

Since the inception of Rooftop Garden in July 2013, parent volunteers have been growing a variety of plants at the school rooftop to promote greening and organic farming. Different categories of herbs and vegetables were successfully harvested to provide nutritious and fresh food. Gardening with vegetables adds a new dimension of enjoyment to life and brings an awareness of wonderful nature.

