

**St. Paul's Convent School
Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)
Chairman Report 2016 / 2017
by Ms. Lorna Wong**

This Chairman's report covers the period from 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017. 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.

St. Paul's Convent School Parent Teacher Association (SPCSPTA) is now 10 years old. To celebrate this momentous occasion and milestone, a 10th Anniversary Gala Dinner under the theme of "Bridging the past and future success" was hosted by the SPCSPTA on 17th March 2017 (Friday). It is satisfying and encouraging that the past ten of PTA events were met with positive response and favorable feedback from our members and students.

We are pleased to report that we have 327 PTA members and 186 of them enrolled as our parent volunteers. 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:

10th Annual General Meeting (22 Oct, 2016)

2016/17 Executive Committee Members were introduced:



2016-2017 ExCo Members

Advisor: Rev. Sr. Margaret WONG (Principal)
Chairperson: Ms. Lorna WONG
Vice-Chairs: Mr. Iceman LEUNG & Mrs. Jenny WONG (Ex-officio)
Secretaries: Ms. Mabel LEUNG & Mrs. L KO (Ex-officio)

Treasurers: Mr. Anthony CHUNG & Mr. TK YAM (Ex-officio)
General Officers: Ms. Sarah CHAN
Mr. Chin CHOW (Ex-officio)
Ms. Jenny WU
Mr. Freddie TANG
Mr. Johnny YEUNG
Ms. Dora CHEUNG
Mrs. Oriana LEUNG
Co-ops: Ms. Joanna CHIU
Ms. Amy KWAN
Ms. Mabel LO
Legal Advisor: Ms. Gigi MAK



Another highlight was a thought-provoking and information talk presented by Mr. Alfred Cheung Kin Ting about "11 ways to make your child smarter" 「讓孩子聰明的十一種方法」. Mr. Cheung is renowned film producer, director, scriptwriter, actor and columnist who always shares his parenting views and adventures in TV programs and newspaper with public appreciation.

Parent Volunteers Briefing (Nov 12, 2016)

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 PTA activities held in the past year and the roles and duties of volunteers. Ms. Josephine Chan (team leader) and Mr. Freddie Tang (team leader) and Ms. Amy Kwan (team leader) shared their valuable experience with the group in the briefing session.



Speech Festival Escort (Nov 22 to Dec 16, 2016)

62 parents volunteers accompanied students to various sessions of the 68th 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 them to receive different awards.



Joint Green Campaign and Help the Needy (Jan 20 to 21, 2017)

Thanks to the generosity and kindness of parents and students, a total of 46 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 committee members of the Conservancy Club to make the event a success.



10th PTA Anniversary Gala Dinner (Mar 17, 2017)

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Elderly Home Visits (May 6, 2017)

Over 66 parents and students participated as volunteers to visit 130 seniors residing in 2 elderly homes, namely (i) Little Sisters of the Poor St Joseph's Home for the Aged; (ii) Po Leung Kuk ECO-Home for the Senior. It was a fun-filled afternoon and the seniors enjoyed very much the singing performance, piano performance, singing and games with all elderly prepared by volunteers. Generous donations were received from parents for PTA to prepare the gifts of daily necessities for the seniors during the visit.





SPCS PTA Drone flight (Jul 17, 2017)

"The First FPV Drone Fly" was a unique fun program that co-organized by SPCSPTA and DNT First Person View Drone Hong Kong Association to our PTA members. The Programme aims to promulgate the culture of "Learning to learn" within the PTA family and share the market updates covering the concept of Drone applications in the school hall. 20 parents and students was tried their first flight of FPV Frone fly and competition.



Rooftop Garden and Parents Volunteers

Since the launch of the Rooftop Garden in July 2013, parent volunteers helped to grow a variety of plants 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 at the school rooftop.



Certificate Presentation (10 July 2017)

Appreciation Certificates were awarded to parent volunteers who participated in the programs staged in the year. 12 parent volunteers came for the presentation ceremony at the Celebration of Success.



Mainland Teachers Development Program (Jul 5, 12 and 19, 2017)

Over 100 teachers from Sichuan and Shaoguan visited the School for an educational program in July 2017. To add flavor to their visit, 22 parent volunteers and team leaders escorted these teachers to tour around Central, Tsimshatsui and Mongkok in 3 half-day sessions. This concludes our activities of the year.

