St. Paul's Convent School Parent-Teacher Association Chairman Report 2010 - 2011 by Mrs Lilian Hui

This Chairman's report covers the period from October 10, 2010 to October 8, 2011. We are convinced that parent involvement in school is a key to our children's personal growth and educational success. The PTA has been maintaining a close tie with the school facilitating and promoting effective communication and collaboration between home and school, as well as optimising the learning experiences of students in sustainable development.

It is gratifying and encouraging to see that all the events have met with positive response and favourable feedback from our members and students under the joint efforts of the PTA and the School. The success of the PTA's activities relies not only on the support of member participants but also on the contributions of parent volunteers who help in organizing the events.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt appreciation to the Principal Rev. Sr. Margaret Wong for her advice and trust, to the PTA Executive Committee Members and the Parent Volunteers for their passion and generous support for the PTA.

Executive Committee

In the presence of the PTA Advisor Rev. Sr. Margaret Wong (Principal), participating PTA members and the School Teachers, the following 2010/11 Executive Committee Members were elected uncontested at the 4th Annual General on October 9, 2010 held at the SPCS covered playground.



Chairlady	: Mrs. Lilian HUI
Vice-Chairs	: Ms. Rebecca CHAN
	: Mr. LAW Siu Wing (Ex-officio Member)
Treasurers	: Mr. Anthony CHUNG
	: Mr. CHOW Chin (Ex-officio Member)
Secretaries	: Mr. Sherman CHONG
	: Mr. YAM Tze Kay (Ex-officio Member)
General Officers	: Ms. Ada CHAN
	: Ms. Sabrina CHOW
	: Ms. Vivian HO
	: Mr. Lawrence TSE
	: Mrs. Rebecca TSE
	: Ms. Jacqueline WONG
	: Mrs. Jamie YU (Ex-officio Member)
	: Mr. K W CHAN
	(Ms Yvonne LEE stood in for Mr CHAN from
	Sept 2011 as Mr CHAN resigned with the
	graduation of her daughter)
	: Ms. Connie LAI
	(Mrs. Gigi LAW stood in for Ms. LAI who
	resigned in July 2011 due to personal reasons)

During the Report Period, the Executive Committee has held eight meetings and has appointed Ms.Gigi Mak as the Honorable Legal Advisor and Mr. Patrick Tse as the Honorable Auditor for the PTA.

PTA's Highlights of the year:

1. Parent Volunteers Briefing (6.11.2010)

About 80 parent volunteers attended the Briefing Session during which they were briefed on the aims and functions of the Parent Volunteers Programme as well as their roles and duties.



2. Visit to Eco Expo Asia (6.11.2010)

As the first of a series of activities on sustainability, PTA Exco members and family joined the School Student Mission, comprising students from Form 5 and 6, to visit Eco Expo Asia 2010 held at the AsiaWorld-Expo.



3. Speech Festival Escort (17.11.2010 to 7.12.2010)

With close cooperation with the School and enthusiasm of the parent volunteers, 67 parent volunteers accompanied students to take part in 35 sessions of the 62nd Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival.



4. Joint Green Campaign and Help the Needy (21.01.2011)

Thanks to the generosity and kindness of more than 100 parents, a total of 450 recycled items were collected and donated to the Caritas Rehabilitation Service to help the under-privileged children and families.



5. Plant a Plant @ Home (21.01.2011 to 19.03.2011)

Parent volunteers and students from DIP in Organic Farming prepared the pots of herbs, which were rosemary and mint cuttings, on 19 Jan 2011. More than 140 pots of herbs were given to interested parents and students on 21 Jan2011 for planting at home. The experience and joy of home planting were shared on the Harvest Day on 19 Mar 2011.



6. Harvest Day (19.03.2011)

Over 60 participants attended the Harvest Day, which comprises a variety of activities including showcasing the green and sustainable school environment, seminar, handicraft, cooking demonstrations and exhibition.

In the seminar on "Sustainability and Home Planting" presented by Ms Yip Yin-Ping of Produce Green Foundation, the concept and fundamental of organic farming introduced aroused keen interest and responds from participants. Student representatives from Conservancy Club shared their Green Education and activities at school.

Participants also enjoyed the workshops on dried-flower coaster making, recycled-materials for plant pots making, herbs cooking demonstrations, and herbs tea tasting.



7. Linking Hearts, Linking Communities (5.04.2011 to 4.05.2011)

The PTA and 37 parent volunteers took part in the fund-raising campaign for the victims of the Japan earthquake and tsunami and contributed by teaching the students at SPCS Day-Nursery, Kindergarten, and Primary Sections to fold hearts, as well as counting the donations. The PTA and parent volunteers had been invited to attend the closing ceremony held on 4 May 2011.



8. Seminars



Dr Sandra Tsang



Ms Yip Yin-Ping

"How to Build and Sustain Good Family Relationship?" "Sustainability and Home Planting"

Over 170 participants attended the two enlightening seminars organised by the PTA

9. School Annual Stakeholders' Meeting (26.06. 2011)

Both the Chairlady and Vice Chairlady were invited to join the School's Annual Stakeholders' Meeting to share views and give recommendations to the School Senior Management, Advisory Board and Leadership Team on school improvement ideas. Representatives from Student Council and Alumni Association were also invited to this sharing session.

10. Appreciation Certificate Presentation Ceremony for 2010/11 Parent Volunteers (29.06.2011)

To convey the appreciations from the School and the PTA, a ceremony to present the Certificate of Appreciation to the 2010/11 Parent Volunteers was organized during the Paulinian Show. 23 out of the 74 parent volunteers for 2010/11 attended the event and received the certificates on the day.



11. Sightseeing Program for Mainland Teachers and Students (18-20.07.2011 and 25-27.07.2011)

In support of the School for the English Language Teacher Professional Development Program, the PTA, 58 parent volunteers and 43 students took up the sightseeing program, escorting nearly 120 delegates to discover the attractions in Hong Kong after their English class on 18-20.07.2011 and 25-27.07.2011.

