A Time for Play!

Tak Nga Secondary School

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TAK NGA BASEBALL TEAM

Baseball—maybe you will find it novel and unfamiliar. Now you get a chance to know more about it.

Since 1998, our former student May Lo, who is the first female umpire and coach in Hong Kong, has started a baseball class in our school. When May Lo was studying in our school, she was a member of the school baseball team. After graduation, she became a baseball coach, as she wants to promote the game among girls. Therefore, it is only natural for her to give priority to her former school: she came back to coach our school team. She thinks there is no age limit for playing baseball because not only vigor but also intelligence is required. Also, team spirit and concentration are important to win the game. Besides, playing baseball can release work pressure and make her feel younger.

Reporter: Sylvia Team Members: Fion, Tina and Christy

R: Why do you take up baseball as an extra activity?

Fion: It is because baseball is very exciting. Not too many people in Hong Kong will have the chance to play baseball as not many schools have a baseball team.

Tina: In Hong Kong, baseball is not very popular. It is unusual to play baseball.

Christy: At first, my mother forced me to participate in it. But now, I am interested in it, so I thank my mother.

R: Do you think that it is too rough for ladies to play baseball?

Members: Of course, it is not! In foreign countries, it is very popular for women and girls to play baseball like men and boys. It doesn’t mean they have to be amazons!

R: What are the advantages of playing baseball?

Tina: It can improve our health. As we are students, we have little time to exercise. After each baseball lesson, we all feel very tired physically, but spiritually we all feel refreshed. It is a good exercise for students.

The Club | Number of members
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1 Red Cross | 108
2 Astronomy Club | 81
3 Library Society | 50

Baseball Team

The Largest Club ~ Red Cross

"Tak Nga School, O happy family..." Within this big, happy family, do you know which its largest club is? The answer is the Red Cross!

The Red Cross consists of 108 members. The main activities are having drills & taking part in services. Also, there’s a progressive programme for members to have full-round development. The meetings are held every Monday and Wednesday.

Students from any form can join the Red Cross. Nonetheless, senior form students usually have more opportunities to take part in its services.

THE MODERN DANCE CLUB, a new extra-curricular activity, has been launched this year. We have interviewed the tutor, Miss Wandy Cheung, and two members of the Modern Dance Club, Natalie Tsui and Candy Lam.

"I like this club as it is fun and I can learn many new things through the lessons," said Natalie. "The learning atmosphere is great too since the tutors teach us one by one."

Candy said, "I found the lessons useful because I can keep fit and feel relaxed after dancing." 

Miss Cheung is an old girl of our school actually. She began dancing when she was only a child. Wandy had taught children dancing in a community center before coming back to teach us.

Being asked what difficulties occur in both learning and teaching others, Wandy said, "You should never be pompous even when people think you dance well enough because there is always someone who dances better than you. Besides, imitation is also very important, especially for beginners. Thus I ask my students to practise more in front of a mirror at home. The lessons are held at school instead of elsewhere because we think students can attend the lessons more easily after school and it saves the money to rent a place as well."

The aim of introducing this new extra-curricular activity is the hope that we teenagers can develop healthier hobbies. Therefore, let’s learn more things we are interested in and make good use of our time!

A survey was conducted among Form 2, 4 and 6 students to investigate the extra-activities that most students are interested in. The result is shown in the above bar chart.

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Red Cross
Do you know that reading astrology is an interesting way to improve your English? You will encounter many useful vocabularies especially adjectives when you read it, and you can know more about yourself too. Yet you should not take it seriously as it is just for your reference and entertainment. Life is thrilling so don't miss out on anything. By knowing your weaknesses, you can prepare well and do much better in life.

**Aries** (Mar21-Apr20)

THE RAM is the sign of the pioneer, and warrior leader. You are born to be a leader who is confident, quick-witted, courageous and enthusiastic. You welcome challenges and will not be diverted from your goals except by your own impatience, which will surface if you don't get quick results. Being concerned with self both positively and negatively, you are self-reliant but self-centered. Arians can make good athletes or explorers since you are so energetic and adventurous.

**Taurus** (Apr21-May20)

THE BULL is the sign of the builder, and the earth we stand on. You are extremely faithful, with a strong need for security and a settled routine. Taureans are also warm and generous friends with a great capacity for affection, but rarely make friends with anyone outside their social rank. Because you are so committed to self preservation, you can be tedious sometimes. You make an ideal manager or doctor, as you are so reliable, determined and patient.

**Gemini** (May21-Jun21)

THE TWINS is the sign of the storyteller, the communicator. You are well-known for your dual-personality and the ability to change mood from moment to moment. You tend to have the graces and faults of the young, and you are excellent at gathering all kinds of information and gossip. Communication is your life pulse, and service businesses like public relations and broadcasting keep you well trapped into conversation of all sorts.

**Cancer** (Jun22-Jul22)

THE CRAB is the sign of the protector, the parent. Emotions are a very important part in the life of a Cancerian. At best Cancerians are sensitive, kind and sympathetic, with an absolute urge to nurture and protect people around them. This is most apparent with home and family. You have a deep inferiority complex, any hurt that is real or imagined, is brooded upon at length. Cancerian does not need a great spotlight to feel successful, so the behind-the-scenes aspect of product industries does not discourage you. Also, you are naturally drawn toward money because, to you, it represents security, so you are suitable to be a banker or accountant.

**Leo** (Jul23-Aug23)

THE LION is the sign of the ruler, the king. Leo is expansive, generous and caring. And the Leo type is the most dominant, spontaneously creative and extrovert of all the zodical characters. The dark side of Leo creeps out usually when you are being ignored. You will drum up some scene both good and bad to get attention, any attention! One of the Leo's most noted traits is too much pride, leading to pomposity and snobbery. Leo never works according to anyone else's rules anyway, so the independence of thought necessary for successful entrepreneurship is natural for you.

**Virgo** (Aug24-Sept22)

THE VIRGIN is the sign of the critic, the technician. Your character is marked by a sharp intellect which is typically used to analyse the natural order. You are methodical, precise, and are attracted to knowledge that can be applied usefully. Besides, you have an excellent eye for detail but you may be so meticulous that neglect larger issues. Hard work and conscientiousness are your hallmarks, but sometimes you can be such a perfectionist that if things go wrong, you will be easily discouraged. Virgoan's interest in statistics makes you excellent bookkeepers and accountant.

Now that you know more about the characteristics of the Zodiac signs, let's guess those of the principal's and teachers' shown below.

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**Libra** (Sept23-Oct22)

THE SCALES is the sign of the diplomat and the differer. Librans are among the most civilized of the twelve zodical characters and are often good looking. You have elegance, charm and good taste, and is a lover of beauty, harmony and the pleasures that these bring. You are naturally kind, gentle and sociable, but sometimes too flirtatious. Indecisive and changeable are your biggest faults. Librans generally get involved in strictly cerebral pursuits, such as consulting, law and trading.

**Scorpio** (Oct23-Nov21)

THE SCORPION is the sign of the investigator. Scorpians are very determined, once you have made up your minds, you are unlikely to change them. Sometimes you can be too demanding and too unforgiving of faults of others. Yet you are fortunate in that your strong reasoning powers are tempered with imagination and intuition, and these gifts, together with critical perception and analytical capacity, can enable you to penetrate to profundities beyond the average. Thus Scorpians make great surgeons, detectives and scientists.

**Sagittarius** (Nov22-Dec21)

THE ARCHER is the sign of the gyspy. Sagittarians are optimistic and ambitious, and continue to be so even when their hopes are dashed. You are outgoing and need a great deal of freedom, but are willing to offer freedom to others. In the work place, you can be exacting and inconsiderate; you scorn of the inadequacies of others while expecting fulsome recognition of your own efforts. As an advertising executive, or a magazine editor, you enjoy following the very latest thoughts, interests and events that the world has to offer.

**Capricorn** (Dec22-Jan19)

THE GOAT is the sign of the achiever. The Capricornian is one of the most stable and serious of the zodical types. Your intellect is sometimes very subtle, you think profoundly though with little originality and have good memories. Yet you are over-conventional and miserly, and these characters make you unsocializable. You excel as a bureaucrat, especially where projects demand long-term planning and working are concerned, and their skill in debate and love of dialectic make you good politicians.

**Aquarius** (Jan20-Feb18)

THE WATER BEARER is the sign of the thinker. You are intelligent, original and independent; sailing in the opposite direction to the crowd comes naturally to you since you think ahead of time and reveal in anything different. Among the faults to which you are liable are fanatical eccentricity, wayward egotism, excessive detachment and an inclination to retreat from life and society. Aquarians have a feeling of unity with nature and a desire for knowledge and truth that makes you admirable scientists, especially astronomers and natural historians.

**Pisces** (Feb19-March20)

THE FISH is the sign of the dreamer. Pisceans have many generous qualities and are friendly and compassionate, sensitive to the feelings of those around them, and respond with the utmost sympathy and tact to any suffering they encounter. You can be intellectually dishonest and hypocritical under your decent nature. Pisces exhibits a deep intuition and sensitivity that translates itself though the arts, whether you perform, produce or direct the creativity, you bring pure genius to the fields of acting, art, music, writing and photography.

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Miss Chan

Miss Wong

Miss Choi

Mr. Wong

TRAVEL TO SEE WIDE

The slogan of our school this year is ‘Climb High and See Wide’. Travelling is one way of achieving this ideal. Consequently, we interviewed some of our teachers about the places they have been to. So we can know more about different places.

MR. MAHKKEN IN JAPAN

Mr. Mahkken, our native English-speaking teacher, loves travelling. He lived in Japan from 1983 to 1985. It had a high standard of living and he enjoyed the different pleasures of life there.

He thinks the most beautiful place is a little village called Kanazawa near the Winter Olympic Village of Nikko. There you can find many towering pine trees. It is very cool and has snowfalls during winter. It is a very beautiful and tranquil place.

He thinks the most amusing thing he has seen was a group of cyclists who carried their bicycles while climbing Mount Fuji and which could take as long as six hours to reach the top. When they reached the top, they merely wanted to take a photo of themselves and their bicycles with the rising sun behind them. He has also enjoyed taking a food tour and a hot springs tour around Japan.

Mr. Mahkken does not like to buy souvenirs because he does not want to own little things when living abroad. Therefore, he buys food instead. His favourite foods are Japanese sushi, natto, okonomiyaki and soba.

While living in Japan, Mr. Mahkken learned that people might have different cultures, but they have similar needs and humanity. Each person has his own perspective.

Mr. Mahkken wants to visit the Seychelles in the middle of the Indian Ocean for the next holiday because it is excellent for diving.

(Journalist - Sorry Mok)

Dubai, which is located on the southern shore of the Arabian Gulf, is one of the seven states that make up the United Arab Emirates. It is excellent for people seeking a relaxing break away from the crowds. Last summer, our chemistry teacher, Mr. Lee, joined a tour to this place.

Dubai has a sub-tropical, arid climate. It offers year-round sunshine. Mr. Lee said, 'There are lots of 5-star hotels. And policemen there use Mercedes-Benz for patrolling the city. A Mercedes-Benz costs only about 80,000 HK dollars, whereas in Hong Kong the same car can cost ten times as much. Most people in the Emirate are Muslims and there is a large number of mosques in the city. Women there have to wear a head-to-toe dress called 'burqa.' It is not allowed to take photos of Muslim women as it is considered offensive. It is also not allowed to drink alcohol and eat pork.'

Besides shopping, Mr. Lee also enjoyed a trip to the Dubai desert. Those with a taste for speed will enjoy riding on a four-wheel-drive vehicle and sand skiing down the endless dunes. One unforgettable thing for Mr. Lee is that he was lucky enough to have been invited to dance with the belly dancers when he was watching a belly dancing show. The most common souvenir there is crystal.

One last word from Mr. Lee is we should go away and see more places when we have the opportunities.

Journalist-Priscilla, Olivia, Cammy

Eden in the world

This time, we are pleased to interview our Principal, Miss Chan, about the most impressive place she has ever visited.

The place that impressed Miss Chan the most is not a big city but a pleasant and peaceful city - Victoria in Canada. Victoria, described as the crown jewel of British Columbia, is one of the world's most enchanting cities. Unlike the business environment of Hong Kong, Victoria's tranquility made Miss Chan feel relaxed when she first visited it. "People there look fresh and they live at a leisurely pace. Besides, the place is a floral finery," said Miss Chan.

Among many sightseeing spots in Victoria, Miss Chan had visited a place named Butchart Gardens. It offers spectacular views as people stroll along the meandering paths and expansive lawns. The garden is divided into many sectors, each of which has a theme such as the Rose Garden and the Sunken Garden. Once you step into the garden, you will not want to leave."

To Miss Chan, visiting Victoria is an unforgettable experience. If you are interested in this Eden in the world, you can browse the following homepages:

www.butchartgarden.com
www.tourismvictoria.com

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主編的話
「呼！終於都完成了！實在太好了！」這就是我對新一期中文校報的心底話。

我必須要感謝一些從中幫助我們不少的老師
和同學。謝謝你們在百忙中撥出時間，接受訪
問。

經過一連串的開會研究、採訪、排版以至美
工設計。我們的版面最終都能順利完成，對
我來說，一切都是新詠詩和挑戰。

本期校報的內容可真是「多羅麗」啊！先有
學生會及謝顯昭老師的訪問，再有明愛寶物會
的報導，還有難忘的社團姑娘及校友俞桂兒的訪
問，再加上一些校園的小道消息以及精彩的校
園遊戲。同學可真不要錯過啊！

事不宜遲，同學快快閱讀超強的《曙光》吧！

http://www.taknga.edu.hk

學生會的鳴謝

學生會每一期的活動之所以能夠舉辦得如此出色，實在有領導們的支
持和協力，特別是各教師隊陣營作「苦力」一職，還有三位團體老師與
他們所供職的校園。這幾位老師在學生會舉辦的各種活動中，無時無刻
不給予學生會提供各種必要な物資，如Sub-com的裁
刀相相、王立在每次開會前的準時工作
以及同學們的參與。學生們對於每一件
事都非常珍惜這個機會，向他們說聲：謝
謝！

鄭倩怡 張純儀 李淑敏 吳嘉盈

學生會的祝福卡 — 彭印

制服的小老師

老師上班時究竟也
需要休息？經過我們小
記千辛萬苦的拍攝，發
現了以前的德禮老師和
學生一樣，都有一個屬
於自己的制服。

根據有關老師透露，在七十年代（即
三十年前），每位女老師都需要穿著一件純
膚色色底藏青長裙，好讓老師有一個顯眼
、俊俏、又大方得體的外形。

在我們校服班的十數位同學當中，有些同學認為若老師穿制服更顯
出學校的氣氛，更有一種令人雖然感覺的感覺，但亦有同學認
為制服在穿著後成一種習慣，可以縮減學生的廉潔和愛穿制服。不知道
老師們喜歡穿制服還是不喜歡呢？

（編輯五班老師提供資料）
何惠玲 何君兒 吳嘉盈

想報讀2002年3月31日

*自即日起，憑花花參加學生會消費滿
10元，可當1元使用。
*有效期至2002年3月31日
愛心大平賣

今期《噶勳》的其中一篇編委特地精心炮製了常規品項的趣味遊戲，回顧大家的智慧，準備好玩的了，就立刻開始接下以下挑戰吧！

1. 國際知名鐘錶、中國、美國、法國及俄羅斯都是此遊玩的實境電池，「愛心」左右之。
2. 今明兩年樂昌會聯署的日子。
3. 負責任出人境服務的政府部門。
4. 被黃漾深稱「too simple, sometimes naive」的記者。
5. [1 besie]的中文譯者。
6. 亞洲電視的前身。
7. 七情六慾。
8. 由黃冠明、李克勤和黃詩箇編著。
9. 「我站到胸中，聲音時時響……」这首歌的歌名。
10. 學堂國文必修內容。
11. 李麗主演的最後一部電影。
12. 國際上有35個是及13個開發的國家。
13. 這本書的名字。
14. 美國世界中心的愛心捐款活動。

格格「筆」入

1. 世界上被稱為小馬的機翼。
2. 一個以查理或戴勒為主角。
3. 講述小信「Alice's Adventures in Wonderland」的中篇小說，「從下走」。
4. 一段特別的王室佳節。
5. 我的國家。
6. 一輛為中國高原地區的人民提供幹練的火車。
7. 學校今年的主題。
8. 一位在中國長大，傳承了有著久遠的西藏山脈的。
9. 一本講述小女模特兒自傳的書籍。
10. 放棄《破鏡小紅》的蛻變超級迷人的。
我們的新副校長
謝昭禮老師

『漫』『濤』告訴你

今天，學校舉行了一個簡短的歡迎新校長的儀式。在儀式中，謝昭禮老師身著一套深色的西裝，精神矍铄地站上講台，他用簡潔明了的语言向大家介紹了自己的過去和未來的規劃，充分體現了他對教育事業的熱愛和執著。

謝昭禮老於1970年代初投身教育事業，20多年來在學校的前線奮鬥，他以自己的實際行動和努力，為學校的發展做出了非常重要的貢獻。他的睿智和勤奮，一直受到全校師生的尊敬和愛戴。

他強調，未來的教育事業將是一個長期而艱巨的任務，需要所有師生的共同努力和不懈努力。他希望通過自己的努力，能夠為學校的教育事業注入新的活力和激情，讓更多的學生受益。

謝昭禮老師的故事，是對我們每一個人的鼓舞。他對教育事業的熱愛和執著，永遠是我們學習的榜樣。我們相信，在謝昭禮老師的領導下，我們的學校將會有更加輝煌的未來。

謝昭禮老師的到來，為我們的學校帶來了新的希望和機遇。我們相信，在他的領導下，我們的學校將會有更多的變化和進步。謝昭禮老師，歡迎你！