Dominican International School Kaohsiung

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D'OP STARS Administration Newsletter

May 2022

Greetings and Peace in Christ!

Go into the whole world and preach the Gospel to all creation (Mark 16:15)

General Announcements:

Invoice Receipt: For next year's tuition payment please ask the bank to put the student's name or ID number on the receipt. This will ensure that the student's files will be updated in a timely fashion. Please submit a copy of your receipt to the office.

Standardize notebooks: Do not buy your notebooks from a stationary store. To help our students we will make DISK notebooks for each division. These notebooks will standardize the lines and size to help students prepare/organize their work, suited for teacher comment writing and parent note. The unused notebook this school year can still be used next school year.

Bus Services: DISK will start to offer another helpful service for our students this coming SY 22-23. If you are interested in contracting a bus service for your child, kindly contact the school Registrar Ms. Angela Tsou and she will be more than happy to accommodate your inquiries. **Complete School Uniform and proper footwear:** We will be updating our uniform policy to include the new high school uniforms. Pre-K will continue to wear the DISK sports uniforms. K2- Gr. 5 students' uniforms will consist of white collared polo and shorts and jumpers for girls. MS formal uniforms will be pants for boys, (no more shorts for formal uniforms.



★ Construction: We will be starting our future campus construction this summer with the development of the sports field and facilities. Starting in late May we will fence off the area and begin by removing the trees to be used in another area of the campus later. Please review our model of the new campus to keep track of the future of DISK. with new track and field.

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PE/Health and Sports Activity Coordinators

- ★ Mr. Edward Horne Elementary
- ★ Mr. Edmundo Horna Secondary

Kindergarten

★ Ms. Sheila Ramos

Middle School - High School

- ★ Ms. Hasmin Macatabang Science/Math
- ★ Mr. Alf Wilson Science
- ★ Mr. Ian Alexander ELA
- ★ Mr. Jerickson Agunias Math
- ★ Ms. Chloe Johnson EAL Reassigned from Kindergarten

Band

★ Mr. John Pajarillo

Christian Living -

- ★ Sr. Pinheiro
- ★ Sr. Barreto

Chinese as a Second Language:

 \star Sr. C. Chan

Guidance Counselor:

★ Mr. Francis Subong (starting 2nd Semester)

As we continue to develop and expand the program of DISK and the coming of more members in faculty, it is our hope that this will facilitate stronger organization and cohesive planning in our curriculum, raising the bar of the education quality in DISK.

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DISK Closing Mass: May 25, 2022 we will have the closing mass and coronation ceremony of our Blessed Mother Mary, sponsored by the specialty teachers and the graduates, as thanksgiving for the graces and blessings that God has bestowed upon us throughout this School Year 2021-2022.

★ Passport update: As we prepare for the start of the next school year we have completed our review of students' passports. Some passports are due to be renewed during the first semester. If you have started your renewal process please forward the confirming documents. If there is any concern please contact the Registrar's office. Thank you for your continued support of Dominican International School Kaohsiung.

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After School Activities / Clubs Ideas being reviewed for the coming year. It has been a wonderful semester with new teachers involved in the after school activities program: Mr. Robert Jacobs for the coding class, Mr. Paul Oliver for the basketball team, Mr. Tarang, Mr. Joe Chen for the band, and Mr. Jenei, the soccer coach who was invited by our parents for soccer training. Moreover, the VIPs have extended their talents by involving in the Friday elective clubs. The school is open to guest teachers and coaches for the enrichment of the after school activities program. A survey will be sent to the parents by mid-May. For the next school year, there will be separate programs for Elementary and Secondary clubs and after school activities.

WASC Accreditation: Result will be given Mid May 2022, according to our WASC international consultant, Ms. Alana.

DISK Science Fair 2021 (Mr. Bah -) This year's DISK Science Fair was celebrated with great success. The event was meant to strengthen and empower our student-centered learning goal. Students presented their projects before parents and teachers in the gymnasium. During the event, students provide explanations of their experiments in posters and in person. Students were so excited to showcase their works before parents and teachers. It was an overwhelming period for DISK teachers to see their students presenting their experiments to parents with confidence.

In DISK, teachers strive to promote student-centered learning and critical thinking. The school will not relent in its efforts to graduate students who will be great ambassadors of education. In the future, we look forward to building a robust science education program that will support students to excel in their scientific ideas. Moreover, give them a chance to have hands-on practice in what they have learned.

Finally, this event wouldn't have been celebrated with success without the unwavering cooperation of parents, students, faculty staff, and the administration of DISK. Thanks to everyone who has supported DISK Science Fair 2021.





Student Council Officers 2022-**2023** The Grade 4 to 9 students have practiced the democratic election for the Student Council process President from May 2 - 4 this year. We are happy to announce our new Student Council Officers for the next school year:

President: Vice president: Secretary: **Treasurer:**

Phoebe Lin David Chen Jolyn Yu Oliver Wen

The officers and our future class representatives will receive monthly leadership training starting next school year.



DISK STUDENT COUNCIL OF SY 2022-2023









🛨 Mr. Jacques - SLO Coordinator

Our mission and vision are presented to students as character statements called Schoolwide Learning Outcomes, or SLOs which are taught to students throughout the year and are assessed in all courses as deportment. In the month of April, we honored the following students for demonstrating SLOs both in and out of school. These students were awarded up to 25 house points for their hard work and dedication.

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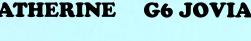


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G6 KATHERINE





G6 TETSUYA



G7 ALLEN



G8 EVELYN



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Honors Ceremony will be on WEDNESDAY, May 25th from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. As we celebrate our students' academic achievement, we also want our students to be safe from the increasing Covid-19 cases. Therefore, the ceremony will be separated into different levels. We invite only ONE parent from each honored student to enter the campus. The rest of the class will join the ceremony online in their classrooms.

1:30 - 1:55 PM - Lower Elementary
2:00 - 2:25 PM - Upper Elementary
2:30 - 2:55 PM - Middle School and High School
3:00 - 3:25 PM - Kindergarten

This policy will be implemented as well in the Kindergarten graduation- Grade 5 Promotion and Grade 8 Graduation which will be held on Monday, May 30th at 8:00 to 11:45 am. 8:00 - 9:15 AM Kindergarten Graduation 9:30 - 10:30 AM Grade 5 Promotion 10:45 - 11:45 AM Grade 8 Graduation

There will be online streaming, and we follow the ONE-Student, ONE Parent policy.

We thank you for the opportunity to serve the DISK Community through fun and educational activities in the 2020-2021 school year and we sincerely look forward to seeing you next year for more exciting activities and events! Have a great summer vacation and remember to be safe during this challenging time. See you in August!

Thank you for all you do to support our school community!

Any questions or concerns should be addressed to the Administration by contacting the Office.

Upon completion of the required studies, the Dominican International School, Kaohsiung envisions its graduates to be:

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