

A hand is shown from the bottom, cupping a small tree sapling with dark soil. The tree has a green trunk and a full, rounded canopy of bright green leaves. The background is a clear blue sky with a bright sun in the upper right, creating a lens flare effect. The title text is overlaid on the sky and tree.

The Bearer - 
Weaving In



A 22nd Executive Committee Production



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**President
Phoebe Ko (2320)
Diocesan Girls' School**

It is often human's nature, or maybe more precisely, my nature, that only by losing something will I notice the value of it. Being an EXCO, and what more, being the President, has been tiring and hopeless at times. There were countless times when I complained about OSA, cried for OSA and wanted to resign (but thankfully I did not!). However, as I think more deeply, has my EXCO life been that disastrous? The more I think, the more I realise that I am beginning to miss my EXCO life already. Ladies and gentlemen, please bear with me for being clichéd in the following few pages as I recount my OSA EXCO life – my fruitful, colourful, rewarding odyssey.

To a Whole New World

In the evening of 10th August 2008, the nine of us were elected. I was scared of the difficulties which I had to come face to face with; I felt burdened as the weight of the Association landed on my shoulders; yet, I was excited because my dream came true. Indeed, after being a participant of three OSA external projects and an Organising Committee member in two of the projects, my dream was to become an EXCO member. It was with mixed feelings that I took up the role as President of the 22nd EXCO. It was with uncertainty, dread, curiosity, and anticipation that I started a new page in my life.

The Path with Thorns

Throughout my term, there had been countless hurdles that I had to overcome. It started off in weak dosages – administrative work. The first thing was meeting. I could still see myself staying up late after AGM, sitting at the desk and typing the first agenda for the 22nd EXCO. It consisted of twenty items which I thought could be finished within a few hours' time. Obviously, it took us around three meetings to go through the whole agenda. Later, I figured how to control our meeting times and each meeting went by more smoothly and efficiently than the previous one.

Then, it was the nightmare of external correspondence. Before sending out an email or a letter, you just simply cannot imagine how much proofreading work is required to make sure all our documents are grammatically correct and logically valid. When sending out my very first email, I perused the email a zillion times and with shaky



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hands, I clicked the “send” button. I thought I did a great job, only to find an advisor immediately replying and pointing out a typo as well as the mistake of not bcc-ing everyone on the list. On the other hand, if printed documents contained mistakes, there would be two options: 1. To reprint; 2. Factory workers, on the go!

In November, Stage 1 was cleared and I was promoted to Stage 2: International Convergence – the true challenge. It was the first time I ever organised a project from scratch and it was really a tough time when InCon took place. I could still recall how nervous I was the night before the kickoff of the programme. Every detail, every transition, you have to bear it in mind. If you miss it, you will panic, and there will be blemishes. It took time to adjust to a new working mode – the external project mode; and through experiences, I learnt and improved.

Before Interflow Camp, the work from hell was liaison with external parties. I am an outspoken girl, but I am not good at socialising with people with authorities, reason being that I often feel inferior in front of them and will get tongue-twisted. I also find the act of handing out name cards to be weird and uncomfortable, maybe because I am not used to such practice. Most unfortunately, according to the Constitution, the President has to ‘represent the Association in all its affairs’. This is the root of all evil. Thus, I have trained myself to step out of my comfort zone and exercised my socialising skills. It was a process which required endeavour and self-control.

The ultimate challenge confronted me in ICamp. It was the human body. It was emergency. It was the siren of the ambulance. In a three-day-two-night camp, I encountered cases of slight heat stroke, fevers, and epilepsy. It turned out that I was not an EXCO; I became a mother – I had to take care of the eighty participants and the OCs. Every time an accident occurred, I was so afraid that my reaction was not prompt enough and that death was a step nearer. It was the most dramatic camp I have ever been to, but I was very fortunate. I would like to thank the advisors Ms. Trudi Chan (1404), Mr. Tong Chi Keung (1329), Mr. William Chan (1601), and an OSAr Benjamin Siu (2334) for telling us what to do when we came across the above emergencies. It was a close call.

Sisters Hand in Hand

What I cherish most from my EXCO life is the sisterhood between the nine of us. Yes, there are six females and three males in the EXCO, but to me they are all my sisters. It is self-explanatory for the ladies, but let me elaborate a bit on the gender of the three gentlemen. Raphael is actually our “gung gung” because during meetings, he helps to fill our cups and clear away dirty dishes (you can call him “Maria” at times!); Joey is “princess” (though he never admits it) for he couldn’t make it to a few meetings at the beginning of the term because he had to attend wedding parties; and Jeff, with the highest attendance rate amongst the guys, sticks with us six girls most of the time and eventually, we treat him as a girl too (quoted from Whitney xD).

From nine near-to-strangers to nine sisters, we chatted, we laughed, we argued, we cried together... As I wrote in the first issue of the newsletter, OSA is my third home (first being my real home and second, my school) and we have developed close



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relationships with each other. Having worked and played with the eight of you for a year, below are some of the words from the deepest of my heart (Of course, I have a lot more to say! But there is a printing quota...):

Chaminade the strong VP:

Yes, you are the superwoman. You are so good at multi-tasking and you can survive with little sleep (which I can't!). Whenever I send you a file for final proofreading, you will do so most efficiently. You are a really flexible person and throughout the term, thank you for standing beside me to deal with all the bumps along the path. When sharing with others what a VP should do, you will always say, 'There is no real definition. I guess, it's to touch up on everything that the other EXCOs are doing.' Even though the Constitution doesn't give a clear definition of your roles, I am here to tell you that you have been a marvelous VP! I will never forget the times when we did OSA work during lesson time, and making up answers based on wrong Chemistry concepts.

Zita the patient InSec:

Typing minutes must have been a tedious and tiring job. With each of our meetings being more than 6 hours long, I understand that it is a HUGE (and exhausting) process to type out our minutes. Yet, I really appreciate your patience during the meetings. Sometimes, we jumped between the items on the agenda and you were all confused; at other times, other EXCOs made broken gags and you had to be fully awake to catch the main point and ignore the other unrelated items. Throughout the term, you have been very patient with the rest of us. Not only can this be reflected through the minutes, it can also be shown through your role as a mediator when conflicts arise. Bravo, Zita :) All the best in your ALs <3

Raphael the efficient ExSec:

Proofreading is definitely not an easy job, I experienced it myself. Thanks for dealing with external correspondence (the large pile of documents scares me, seriously)! You have been a responsible InCon PIC and I can see that you really worry about the project. I will remember you for always inputting German words when replying emails and I had to babelfish in order to understand what you are saying! Lastly, thanks for being the 'gung gung' in our meetings and serve us with tea and candies. Enjoy your life as Head Boy next year :)

Joanne the artistic FinSec:

You really are an artist! When you are designing something, we can relax, because the product will definitely be gorgeous :) And, you are a perfectionist! You had to change the font size and font type for n times before I can print the clue sheet, and you had to inspect each and every cookie to make sure nothing's sticking out. Thank you for dealing with our Association's worst job: \$\$, and even though there is not much sponsorship this year, I know that you have done all you can and my sincerest gratitude goes to you. Besides, thanks for allowing us to mess your house around during our meetings. Hope you can find your remote control soon (It's a rare chance that it is thrown away with Chui Wah xD). Just a small suggestion: Be more attached to your phone! Or else, starry night will be sad...



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Joey the well-presented PRO:

You are the “Golden Sentence King”! (direct translation) You are really a genius in public speaking – Remember FYLF? I just told you to make a small conclusion; you did an excellent one and everyone was really pleased. Also, I envy your skill of socialising with others. I find it hard to strike a conversation between, say, a government official and myself, but you seemed to handle it effortlessly. And also, you hand out your name card very naturally, and I really have a long way to go in this aspect... Thank you for dealing with the Bright Spark column this year! Writing a Bright Spark article even when you are really sick, what more can I ask for? Thanks for being part of my OSA memory, and I wish you all the best with your precious tool of oratory skills!

Whitney the handicapped SSO:

Actually, there are other ways to describe you, for example “the one who gets hungry most easily”, but I chose ‘handicapped’ because I really appreciate your effort throughout the year. Though you are handicapped, in the sense that you may find it hard to organise your thoughts and communicate and being a dummy on roads (and you don’t know how to juggle), I can really feel the passion (yay, VTS!) from you. Thank you for devoting so much to OSA and organising such a splendid SSP! (Do not be sad that things didn’t go the way they should, you have done your very best and you should be proud of yourself <3), I am really happy to hear that you did not regret joining the EXCO, not even a bit. Though you are handicapped, I will still always love you and all the best for your ALs!

Jaime the Gossip IRO:

Our phone call contents are always 60% gossip & 40% work, and thank you for your gossipy character, the gossips kept me awake when I was doing tiresome OSA work e.g. proofreading or replying email. I always wonder why your receptors have such wide coverage! In case you find this comment to be negative, here is something more positive. —

You are a superwoman too! Being 3-EXCOs-in-1, your workload can possibly be the heaviest amongst the EXCO, but you handled your job tremendously well and I really want to say a big “Thank You” to you. You are a very reliable friend and colleague and when I know that you are in-charge of something, I will not worry much about that. I know that you will always give me what you promised to give me.

Last but not least, thank you for the lessons throughout the year *beaming smile*.

Jeff the Proofread Prince:

Do you know why I chose this term to describe you? Not only does it literally mean that you are a proofread prince (yes you are!), it means that you are always aware of small details and you are always there to remind me of what might possibly go wrong. There were times when I was pissed off by your over-worrying character, but after a short while, I realised that you really have an eye for details. When everyone says something is OK, you will express your doubts. In the end, because of your careful treatment, everything turned out to be better!

Besides, thanks for carrying most of the assets after each function! I bet you have grown stronger? =P You have the etiquette of a gentleman, so do not worry!



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Being Grateful

It would not have been possible for me to survive this year without the help and support from a few parties. First of all, I would like to thank our advisors for being there for us. We are really blessed with good advisors who love us and care for us as though we are their brothers and sisters/ sons and daughters (=P). If it were not for them, this year would definitely be not as smooth. Thanks must also be given to our Honourary Advisors who have been supporting OSA for a long time. Special thanks must go to Auntie Doreen for loving us as her children and helping us whenever we are in need.

I'd like to thank my parents and Joanne's parents for allowing us to hold meetings at our places, as well as Zita's parents for supporting us in VTS. Heartfelt gratitude must go to Diocesan Girls' School, Diocesan Boys' School, Hang Seng School of Commerce and Queen's College for lending their school premises for our external projects.

Besides, I would like to thank all OC members for your contribution to OSA. Without you, you, and you, our projects would not be successful at all.

Lastly, I would like to say a big "Thank you" to all OSARs for being with us throughout the term. To subcoms: Thank you for staying here to help even though you may have other engagements elsewhere. You are all of paramount importance to the running of the Association; To 24th OSARs: Each and every one of you is very adorable and I wish you all the best in the future!

In a week's time, my name will appear in the "Past EXCOs" and "Advisors" list and it will yet be another milestone in my OSA journey. In this year, I have grown to be more mature, gained more knowledge, and most importantly, lifelong friendship. The moments I had as an EXCO will forever be engraved in my heart and when I look back, these will be the moments which I will smile heartily at. Let the OSA spirit live on!





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**Vice-President
Chaminade Lam (2322)
Diocesan Girls' School**

Chaminade Lam

Recollecting the 340 days as an Executive Committee member, I have spent approximately 50 weekends with my colleagues, slept 720 hours less than what I would have preferred, plus gained 5 pounds from all the cookies and snacks consumed during EXCO meetings. However, as I turned around to look back on my life as a member of the OSA family, I was overwhelmed by the memories and emotions which simply could not be expressed by such simple empty figures.

At the beginning of our session, I was quite confused as to what the specific role of a Vice President should be. While others were busy planning to prepare friendly packs, manage assets and type up meeting minutes et cetera, I had no definite tasks to complete. In the end, I decided to help out whenever another member needed support, and eventually, I was practically involved in all the above mentioned duties. (Do not be mistaken, I actually enjoyed engaging in these activities and spending time with my colleagues a lot! =D) I gradually realised that us nine EXCOs were in fact united as one entity, and one could never have fulfilled his/her duties as efficiently without the help from the rest of the members. Imagine sticking a miniature label over one mistyped Chinese word in the 1000 brochures all by oneself! As the Chinese fable narrates, one single arrow can be broken without difficulty; but several arrows put together prove to be of much greater strength.

I encountered my first major challenge as a Project Chairperson of the Hong Kong Youth Summit 2009. During that time, it seemed almost impossible for me to complete all the work before the start of the programme. Each project day was a battle with the fleeting time, my pair of high heels, unexpected problems, stacks of information packs and instruction sheets. Definitely, I would not have been able to handle the heavy workload and immense pressure if it were not for the rest of the EXCOs, who were always helpful and supportive. Hereby, I would want to give my thanks to another Chairperson, Joey, for his high working efficiency and great impromptu speeches; also to Joanne, for her professional designs and creativity in planning the Crisis together. I can still remember the nights when we had to keep calling each other to make sure we had not fallen asleep while preparing the information briefs!



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Another project that I chaired this year was Interflow Camp 2009, together with Joanne and Jeff. It has definitely been a rewarding and unforgettable experience for me. I suppose it is not very common to call for ambulances three times within three days of camp. Fortunately, apart from the few upheavals, the Camp ran fairly smoothly in general. During the Concert on Day 2, many participants were touched by the lyrics of 《回憶》, and their sense of belonging to the Camp was embedded in free-flowing tears. One participant even wrote a small card to the three Project Chairpersons to tell us how much she valued the Camp. All these made me feel that our persevering hard work in preparing for the Camp, as well as other external projects, were worthwhile after all.

I would very much want to thank Jeff for his systematic and organised planning, as well as his physical strength and stamina (=D), without which the running of ICamp would have been much more tedious and difficult. I would also like to thank Joanne again, for the Camp would not have been as fun without her originality and resourceful ideas. We could not have imagined how enjoyable the modification of a child's game of joining dots to form a picture could be without your suggestion! Also to Phoebe, who was like a fourth project PIC and joined every single brainstorming meeting. And how could I miss out the fun-loving girls' team, Whitney (淺美), Jaime (大儀), Phoebe (黑芝麻) and Zita (白芝麻)? Thank you for bringing so much joy and laughter by being our 歡樂小姐s to everyone. Last but not least, our dearest Organising Committee (mostly 24th OSARs) for your dedication and hard efforts. Many of you still accompanied your own group till late night/early morning although you were already exhausted and tired out after the OSA Camp! Our heartfelt gratitude must also go to our Advisors, who picked up their phones at 2 a.m. in the morning to help solve our crisis. Interflow Camp 2009 would not be complete without any one member of the above OSARs.

To be frank, this whole year as an OSA EXCO has never been easy for me. There were of course times of tears and frustration, petty and major arguments, dreads and doubts about the success of a project. Nevertheless, the one and only one regret that I have when looking back is that I will be unable to recount all the precious and happy moments spent with my dearest friends. Up till now, I can still remember the commotion when six female EXCOs fought over the fitting rooms to try on our EXCO suits; the spooky evenings spent at Jeff's alma mater cleaning up after a long day's project workshop; the not-so-surprising birthday surprises prepared for each EXCO; the picnics we had in the living room of Joanne's house every meeting; the bargaining of prices at Mong Kok as the girls picked out our Annual Dinner "costumes" ...

"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened." I will continue to cherish all memories and treasure all lessons learnt throughout the year. These recollections, and above all, our friendship, shall continue to be my motivation in times of difficulties and discouragement in the future (just like hot chocolate in bitter winter <3).





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Internal Secretary
Zita Chan (2303)
St. Paul's Convent School

My year in OSA has never been easy. It was arduous, depressing, and unpredictable. Surprisingly, after summing all factors up, I realise my life has become more fruitful and memorable. This is one of the many, and in fact, most important things I've learnt while working in OSA.

I was overjoyed in the evening when I was elected to become part of the 22nd EXCO. However, storms of worries gradually replaced my excitements. I feared that I could not fulfil my responsibilities in the team, and as it turned out in the end, I couldn't handle work from school either. I began to regret my decision of becoming the Internal Secretary. However, it was then that I suddenly recalled what I have learnt from the book "Life of Pi" by Yann Martel; "[Fear] is life's only true opponent. Only fear can defeat life." Similarly, my motto "Don't give in when things go bad, keep pushing your limits." reminded me to believe in myself, and once I have committed myself to something, I must accomplish it. It is a matter of conquering the fear, looking forward and working ahead. Therefore, I decided to take this as a challenge – a test to my limits. Now as it seems, everything has turned out quite well.

The Volunteer Training Scheme 2009 – "Passiton" was the only external project I chaired this year. Together with Whitney and Jeff, I think we made it an exuberant programme. Although flaws appeared here and there in VTS, it was in fact the flaws which pulled us together. For nearly three months, we had conference calls almost every night. Honestly, I was always the one who got nervous whenever problems arose, but luckily, my dear colleagues, Whitney and Jeff, would always sooth me before moving on. It was funny that the "nightly-conferences" became a habit which I eventually came to enjoy a lot.

In the five months including the preparation and running of the programme, OSA was the only word that filled my schedule book. Nonetheless, while watching the participants learn and grow, I began to feel honoured to be an OSA EXCO, and contentment blossomed deep in my heart. In the Closing Ceremony, the participants' presentations were brilliant. Tears filled my eyes as I realised how we had inspired them. Of course, it was not only the participants who grew; I grew as well. I have become more mature and have learnt to respond acutely to different situations; the



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dynamics in my life have made things livelier.

Frankly, I wasn't a good secretary. I was always too lazy to work on those boring minutes. To make my work more interesting, I even recorded all the hilarious bits in the meeting to cheer myself up when I re-organised the minutes. But I really (and I really mean it) love having EXCO meetings; they were always interesting and high-spirited (except when we really had to sit down and think of some serious things). We always had great times and a lot of fun during our meetings. Now, looking back, the only pity is that one year of OSA life is just too short.

Hereby, I would like to thank all my fellow EXCOs for all their support -- for all that I have learnt this year, for all the hardship I have faced, for all the joy I have found being part of the team. I would especially like to thank our president, Phoebe – she has been a really good leader guiding us through the year. I treasure all the times and memories we had together, and most importantly, the friendship between us. Last of all, I would like to thank our dear advisors. They have been really helpful and their understanding and support gave us the motivation which we needed.

Has anyone watched the movie "Big Fish"? It teaches us how to live big and lead an extraordinary life. Well, in being an OSA EXCO this year, I think I have truly made it past my first milestone and I am now prepared to take on my glamorous future.





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**External Secretary
Raphael Chow (2206)
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School**

As I turn and look back at the year I have put behind me, the realisation of the magnitude of influence being part of OSA and part of the Executive Committee has on me and my character continues to shock me. In the first issue of our newsletter, I said that “the biggest challenge the life of an EXCO has to offer is not the actual work itself, but the task of managing time”. In retrospect, this statement cannot be any truer, and I have definitely been able to put my organisation and management skills into practice this year.

For the benefit of the new cabinet, let me draw out my reflections as an External Secretary and PIC for International Convergence and give them advice to the best of my ability.

An External Secretary is a fascinating job if you are into reading, writing and English in general. Traditionally in OSA, there are mainly two roles the External Secretary must fulfill: 1) to send out friendly packs at the start of the year, and 2) to proofread documents throughout the rest of the year. Friendly packs are invitational packages which include a cover letter, a brochure, name card etc. to introduce OSA and to invite recognised persons to be Advisors or Honorary Advisors to the Executive Committee. This task proved to be more of a trouble to me than I had expected! One had to pay very close attention to details and format, including indentation and the small font at the bottom of the letter. A practice I have developed over the year is to write up something, read it over once for grammar, once more for spelling, then print it out on a piece of scrap paper and read it over again with a highlighter for mistakes. That way, it will not only significantly minimise errors, but also maximise efficiency. As for the secrets to the art of proofreading... I say ‘art’ because very often, the External Secretary might find himself in a situation in which he needs to completely paraphrase the words of his colleagues to express an idea more accurately, all the while maintaining the original meaning of the passage. So it takes a lot of interpretation and rumination to find the best possible solution. My tip is to be creative! Proofreading does require precision and attention to small points (e.g. punctuation, format), but at the same time, it is very open to creativity. In my opinion, a piece of writing that flows with fluency and sounds natural is better than an awkward piece of writing loaded with vocabulary from the original.



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As the PIC of International Convergence (short formed InCon), I learned that time is really very, very important. Perhaps a very trivial point I picked up, but albeit an essential one: when calling institutions and guests, it is very important to take into account that the person you are looking for could very well be on vacation, or away from office. So it is of utmost importance that you give both you and the person you are trying to find time in advance. Never call too late! Though admittedly, this problem had troubled the EXCOs of previous years, this year's EXCOs, and will probably continually plague future EXCO's due to unforeseen realities. Nevertheless, do make it an effort to make your own life easier. And one more thing – welcome to the true face of the world, where promises are not promises! Don't be surprised to be let down by sponsors etc, a case we had this year. We were practically sure (95%, according to the sponsor) that our project could be subsidised, but it turned out in the end that things did not pan out. So always have backups, and never rely too heavily on a source.

After one whole year as an EXCO, what I've gained is well beyond what the word limit of this article allows me to explain. But in a nutshell, I can say that all the unanticipated emotional peaks and troughs, rushing after deadlines, disagreements, as well as the successes, sense of accomplishment, and the donning of the EXCO suit, have all inevitably helped shape the person I am today. I have been experienced a complete remolding and I could literally feel bad habits being chiseled off from my practices. This year has allowed me to see myself as a person I want to become without a shadow of a doubt.

Personally, I find that the most rewarding of all lessons reaped – I now know that I want to be a person with personality, a sense of righteousness, a person who does not yield to power and has his own set of morals and practices neatly reflected in his work.





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Financial Secretary
Joanne Lai (2321)
St. Paul's Convent School

Joanne Lai.

In a softly lit café in Sydney near midnight, my cell phone vibrated. I ran into the restroom and locked myself in a cubicle before picking up the long-awaited call from Hong Kong, waiting for the caller at the far end of the line to address me. You don't have to be present at the AGM to have butterflies in your stomach as you wait for your turn to deliver your speech.

Past midnight, at the gate of a train station, Jaime called and said I became Finsec. Looking back, the frankness of how time slipped away added to the surreal feeling of becoming part of the 22nd EXCO of OSA.

I remember expressing my admiration towards OSA's professionalism in my inauguration self-introduction. One year on, I realised that I had misplaced the focus. While professionalism has been what the nine of us aim to achieve from our work (not to mention our outfits and name cards), it is certainly not what defines the OSA EXCOs. What is most valued of us is the mystical chemistry among us that sparked wild ideas as well as endurance and mutual trust infused in strong friendship bonds that enable the seemingly impossible to come true. It is this strong belief that enables us to overcome hardships and "perfection" worth striving for.

It has truly been a year of self-reflection. Every taste of failure and disappointment revealed my own inadequacies that very often the realisation was bitterer than the failure itself. Being an EXCO has granted me a once-in-a-lifetime experience that many could only imagine at this stage of their life, most importantly though, it has been a humbling self-development process.

What I have also realised, to my surprise and appreciation, is the boundless tolerance and support the EXCOs are capable of giving one another. It is tempting to take such kindness as granted, but I have come to realise how much patience and understanding it takes for others to accept your mistakes and weaknesses. My dear EXCOs, a huge "thank you" to you all, though I hope you understand that my gratefulness towards every one of you is beyond words.



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After Youth Summit and Interflow Camp, the two projects I was responsible of with Chaminade and Joey, and with Jeff and Chaminade respectively, I felt that one of the greatest satisfaction came from the involvement of our participants. Seeing YS participants highlighting the Information Packs prepared by the organising committee and us, debating wholeheartedly for their own stances, preparing interview questions for public figures they were to meet, all the effort of proofreading of documents, calling up assistants of interview guests in the coach bus during a Sichuan school trip and all other preparation work paid off.

The unexpected incidents which occurred in both nights during ICamp could hardly rival the heart-warming reactions of our participants for being the most memorable thing of the Camp. Without the experience of being a participant, or even, a group ambassador myself, I did not know what to expect from the campers. Their genuine enjoyment and gratitude, as well as their friendly gestures towards us the EXCOs, took me by surprise. Their requests, as simple as a hug, a photo or a message written on their Camp T-shirt, left me deeply touched.

Dear EXCOs, I may not speak as much as most of you when we are together, but I will surely miss the good ol' days when I would feel tired sometimes for meeting you too much as feverishly as each one of you. We may meet less frequently in the future, and for much less work-oriented reasons, but I anticipate a new stage of friendship, one that should be cherished and should not be taken for granted, as it has been forged by a year of hardship and mutual understanding.

Last but not least, my heartfelt gratitude towards our ever supportive advisors and fellow OSAr. I will be stepping down from the EXCO in mid-August, but my life as an OSAr has just turned a new leaf. Thank you all for being my inspiration.





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Public Relations Officer
Joey Tang (2338)
King's College

Joey Tang

Time Flies! Another year has passed and I could hardly believe it if I were not writing this piece of personal reflection. No one can deny the fact that this is again the moment when new green leaves grow to supersede the yellow leaves. A new term of EXCO will soon emerge and continue the mission in lifting OSA to new heights. As I flashed back my memories as part of the EXCO, I have no regrets at all in taking up the post of Public Relations Officer.

Basically, the duties a Public Relations Officer has to shoulder include dealing with all external correspondences and handling any matters regarding the Association's reputation. In other words, how to maintain the prestigious status of OSA and reach out to more and more students are the important aspects that I have to take into account in every of my undertakings. It has never been an easy task though, especially when the balance of looking at matters between the perspectives of an EXCO member and an outsider has to be stricken very accurately. For example, the protection of the Association's image may sometimes be in conflict with the most creative or well-loved ideas for an activity. So, learning to be conservative and insistent at times is of vital importance. Nevertheless, after the entire year's work in OSA, I found myself to have grown up a lot, for I am now able to solve problems of a real society context in a more mature way.

Throughout the year, I also had numerous opportunities to interact with various press agencies, government bureaux and other external organisations. The varied working styles of different parties probably inspired me most, given that's the real-life settings that we are bound to experience. I felt truly blessed that some had offered their very generous assistance to our Association and even pieces of useful advice to me – my sincere gratitude goes to the Education Bureau.

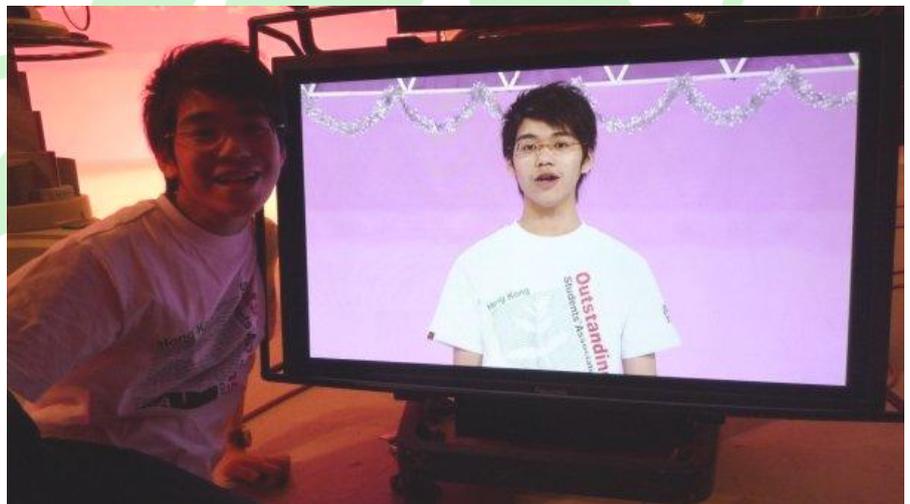
Apart from all these, the most that I have gained were from the experience when I chaired two external projects this year, namely "International Convergence – The Crucible of Culture" and "Hong Kong Youth Summit 2009". Granted, there had been both successes and failures throughout the preparation and running of these programmes. On one hand, it was certainly encouraging to have a taste of success, yet on the other hand, it was during the times of failures that I treasure most, as I have



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I learnt to handle the unexpected and cruel realities and overcome stressful adversities. Facing countless press releases, letters and documents to be prepared and compiled for different projects, I have trained up myself to put effective management skills in practice, allowing me to accomplish multiple tasks simultaneously. Thanks to the encouragement of my supportive family members, colleagues and friends, I have again and again pushed myself to limits that I had never believed I could reach. From this, I have truly perceived how genuine friendship is like from this big family of OSA.

Returning to my opening thoughts, I must say again I haven't regretted at all in assuming the post of Public Relations Officer in OSA. Without working as an EXCO member for this entire year, it is sure that I will not be who I am today. Availing myself of this opportunity, I hope to express my heartfelt thankfulness to the Honorary Advisors, Advisors, EXCOs and OSAs who have accompanied me in my unforgettable OSA journey. May I wish all the best to the upcoming 23rd EXCO and our beloved Hong Kong Outstanding Students' Association!





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**Social Services Officer
Whitney Too (2339)
Hang Seng School of
Commerce**

Whitney Too

Taking up the role as an EXCO while studying at an alleged “Grade A factory” has never been easy, yet when the nine of us are together as one group, support from each other made my year fruitful, eventful and worthwhile.

A job always starts with great passion. This year, we aimed to understand the living conditions of the deprived by gaining first-hand information instead of merely reading from textbooks or the Internet. However, the idea of how to start did not come to us until late October. Luckily, with the help of Advisors, a movie screening session about the underprivileged was held which paved a smooth road to my SSO year afterwards. The Social Services Project has always been the highlight of the service year and I have always had great expectations of it. I was especially anxious to meet so many new Form 4 OSAs, since they usually seldom spend time on OSA events during their summer vacation, as opposed to the Form 5s who have finished their CE exams and are ready to get hyper in summer. I was extremely worried that it would be too harsh on our new babies to amend proposals three days after the service introductory session. But you, my dear OSAs, made it anyway and it was always so touching and pleasing to see your improvement after each service session.

Hurray! Here comes our lovely Volunteer Training Scheme 2009!!! Being a PIC is indeed entirely different from being an OC. We had to be aware of every little detail. We had to jump off the bed in the middle of our sleep to make a note on minute but important things if they suddenly popped up in your mind (just in case you would forget it the next morning.) Of course, we crossed our arms while witnessing participants fall off the wooden rickshaw during Adventure Day. Nevertheless, I was touched when participants kept running over to me, giving me big hugs and calling me 'JOMA'. I felt so grateful to see that EXCOs, OCs and participants could blend so well together and keep ourselves in an excited mood throughout the months. Future EXCOs, trust me, putting away your attitude to enjoy your times with OCs and participants is the key to success!

I am always described as “THE KIND ONE” when I play the game FIRST IMPRESSION. I was silly enough to believe that the 24th OSAs voted me as THE KIND simply because I am the SSO, who is supposed to be KIND. What's more, many of you must have heard from my BELOVED EXCOs my other name, “THE HANDICAPPED”. By the end of term, I



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do not mind telling you the story of why I got this name.

EYES: I was searching for Zita in McDonalds, and was ready to send her an sms “hey dear you are late again!”, while she was sitting right in front of me.

EARS: I can only comprehend 80% of your words at one time. What should you do then? REPEAT!

MOUTH: Lack of vocabularies to express myself. Facial and body languages saved me.

NOSE: Serious nose allergy especially early in the morning and at night before sleep. Campers will understand.

LIMBS: I was sliding from the top of the sofa like a three-year-old kid at Joanne's place during an EXCO meeting to save myself from boredom. I accidentally slid in the wrong direction, which made me kick Chaminade, who was sitting comfortably on the sofa, onto the floor. I had the intention of yelling out to warn Chaminade but my mouth just could not coordinate with what I wanted.

You will probably either be laughing or sighing at this point. I would like to thank the EXCOs for not abandoning me even after being tortured by my stupidity :')

Credits must be given to our advisors who gave valuable suggestions and comments during the brainstorming session and mid-year evaluation. You helped out from seemingly minor tasks like venue booking to major tasks like inviting guest speakers. We could not have succeeded without your continuous support.

I nearly screwed my exams up, yet I've never regretted being one of the team. “The one who loves eating” has become my trademark (ask Joanne about the missing cookies during each EXCO meeting XD). I will never forget the times when we were obsessed with GoogleTalk, discovering the secret code of using underline, italic, bold formatting keys and so on. All these memories will be kept in our hearts while Zita and I have to prepare ourselves for our A-Level examinations. With only half a year to go, we'll meet the rest of you in the universities! :D





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Internal Relations Officer
Jaime Fong (2209)
St. Paul's Convent School

Hand in hand, let's sing *This Everlasting Song*... the melodic lyrics of the all-time favourite of OSArS reminds me the fact that my EXCO term is going to end in a week or two. The tableau of EXCOs working our heads off till late, and of course at the same time, joking, playing and laughing till we all suffered stomach-ache =P; of the heart-warming moments when my new-born sons and daughters, which are actually the 24th OSArS, called me "Jaime MaMa" and of a lot more memories I had being an EXCO this year all raced through my mind. Before I start babbling on about my hectic experience as an EXCO, I have to pass on some messages to the following people.

To fellow EXCOs: It amazed me how the nine of us who came from six different schools naturally blended together as one team, regardless of the very different working styles, principles and values that we held, "being an EXCO" was like a *Crucible of Culture*, in which we nine blended to give a wonderful potion of success and joy.

To fellow OSArS: You all have been great *Mentors* in my life, from many different perspectives. You and me, and every other OSAr are a part in the legend of OSA, let's continue to live the spirituality of us OSArS, let's *Passiton*. Looking ahead, a bright path lied in front of us, so let's *Paint a New Future* hand in hand, shall we?

To the 24th OSArS the newbies: Please, cherish your time with OSArS, for as you give your heart to your OSA friends, you have *Blueprinted Your Future* to be a fruitful and colourful one.

To the 23rd EXCO which is going to come out soon: Toast! *You're Hired* the best-est job in the whole universe!

At the beginning of my EXCO term, I have set myself a target as to making the internal relations an Inspiring, Rich in meaning and Original experience for all OSArS, after one the year, these three words mean much more than a target I set for myself, they mean memories never to be forgotten, lessons never to be wiped away, experiences branded in my mind forever, warmth of kinship that will dwell in my heart till the end of the world.

IRO

Speaking of *inspiration*, the mentorship programme definitely fit the word best, the launching of such a programme was perhaps one of my greatest joys being the IRO. When I planned to start the scheme at the beginning of the year, I was browsing the



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websites of Universities and other associations alike for information of their mentorship programme, but remain clueless after hours and hours of research work. A great big thank you to Felix, Bryce and Bryan, who suggested me to issue a questionnaire to ask for opinions as to how the whole scheme should work. I was totally awed when I saw the huge bunch of replies and flew in my mail box every single day, and even got a bit scared (=P) when I saw the single digits on the blank “OSAr No.” I was once exhausted by the tedious follow up work, and even had the evil thought of leaving the whole thing to my successor, I was always worried before the Mentorship Orientation though I cannot really tell what I was worrying, and there’s the kind Ms. Typhoon before the very day of the orientation. And finally, hurray! I was overwhelmed when everything in the orientation went on smoothly, when I saw that everyone was indulged with talking to their mentors/mentees, and when mentors/mentees came to tell me afterwards that they love their mentees/mentors, I really felt relieved. Thank you all mentors and mentees! And to my mentors and my peer mentees: Let’s hang out some time!!

Without doubt, “Painting a New Future” fits the description “**rich in meaning**”. I was always imaging the faces of the children of Sichuan when they got the picture from the volunteers of UNICEF — for sure, they will be having big smiles on their faces because they can feel the love and care we have put into the picture, and the support we would like to express to them; instead of smiling because they are teasing our rudimentary level of our drawing. Originally, I thought it might be a little be childish for a bunch of teenagers to gather and draw together on a long sheet of paper with pastel and poster colour, but it turned out that everyone seemed to be having fun and enjoying the process!

For a person who did not know how to sing, being able to go into a studio and sing was definitely an **original** experience for me. The “dream” came true during the Christmas gathering “Our Everlasting Song”. I looked like a fool when I entered the studio and when I saw the mic that never suited my height. Thank you Kevin for teaching us the correct way of singing the two songs that were of such importance to OSA. After the recording, every time I listened to “QingMiao” and “HuiYi” in our external projects, I thought they were music from heaven. Why? Because I was one of the singers!!

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Perhaps I was the one who gave my dear EXCOs most “**inspiration**”, from my gossips and my “lessons”, and I thought that my “inspirations” would always be treasured by my dearest EXCOs. (Sorry to anyone who had no clue what I was talking about, I got to put these down here because I considered these one of the most interesting and unforgettable memories I had in my EXCO life. xD) I was also inspired when I got to work with people with diversing characters no matter in the EXCO or in the Organising Committee. I learnt to appreciate the good points of other people’s values, and the most important lesson I had learnt is to cope with people and situations that were unfavourable. After all, c’est la vie!

Being in the EXCO is definitely “**rich in meaning**” for me, after one year of working together, playing together, gossiping together, and may be quarrelling too, strong kinship has developed between me and the other EXCOs. I never failed calling Phoebe



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once a night, sometimes we do have important stuffs to talk about, but most of the time I called because I want to share with you another “secret” that I have heard, and to share with you my own “secrets”, so basically, I called because I wanted to talk =P. I loved the girl’s talk with Whitney when we went home by MTR, I felt relieved telling you my troubles and worries in “many different aspects”, you are always the BEST LISTENER (though ear-handicapped xD). I will never forget the times when Jeff Chan suddenly got hyper and laughed at nothing, Chaminade’s “real” name given to her when she was a baby, Joanne’s charisma and attractiveness, Zita’s talent as a saleswoman, Raphael’s German emails which I never bothered to understand, and Joey’s ability to “absorb water” (yes, not drink, he absorbs water like a sponge xD) during meetings, our EXCO meetings from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., the gags that we “invented”, the difficulties we have been through, etc. We have been through all the ups and downs, and after a year of hardship, I brought home nine lifemates.

I have definitely done a lot of “**original**” stuffs after joining the EXCO, I never failed sleeping for only 4 hours a day and remained as hyper and vital the other day (but started dozing off during lessons =P) The first time I left my room piled up with rubbish and paper because I had no time to rearrange things. After being an EXCO for one year, I was not afraid of walking up to an anonymous and talking to him/her. It was also the first time when I had so much to do and so much stress that I had cried.

The most important lesson learnt

There were times when so much stress and workload doomed that I wanted to give up and even resign, there were also times when I felt hopeless and exhausted, but when I tasted the sweetness of the fruit of our hardwork, every drop of tear and sweat was worthwhile. After one year of being an EXCO, I have learnt one important thing, when one put one’s heart into doing a job, no matter how difficult the job was, one can always find joy in what one was doing. I could not say that I had done an excellent job this year, but at least, I could find joy in what I did, because I really had put my heart and effort in the job of an IRO, and I really hoped all of you can feel the warmth of the OSA family as I did.

The 24th OSArS

It is my pleasure to have you all as my “sons” and “daughters”, and I love it when you called me “Jaime MaMa”. You are all smart, cute, cool, creative outstanding students who love to gossip, and you are drops of sunshine that brightens up my day. Ever since I get to know you in the interview on the 28th of March, I was worried because you all



seemed so quiet and serious, I was worried that I could not bring you into the warm family of OSA, but the four months of getting along between us proves me wrong! I will never forget the first night in ICamp when some of you got sick, and when the others needed to go home in the middle of the night. The friendship between us stayed in me forever, and you would always be my sweet “offsprings” xD Wish you all the best in the future!



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Administrative Officer
Jeff Chan (2304)
Queen's College

Today is 30th July 2009, and Interflow Camp 2009 just ended. I am finally in my bedroom, feeling totally exhausted but contented. I couldn't believe that our last external project had already come to an end. My memories then flashed back to the time when the nine of us were elected last August. And now, I type this very last "Words from EXCO".

Looking back, my EXCO year is, allow me to say, wonderful. Being the Administrative Officer, by the way, is never an easy job as you may think. A duty of AO is, according to the Constitution, 'managing the Association's assets'. Thanks for the phrase; I have actually been an 'Ah four' most of the time, rather than doing works related to 'administration'. Right after the last AGM, I was already told to carry all the stuff left at the meeting venue back home (ok, the official term is OSA asset). Since then, I have been responsible for taking all necessary items to every OSA function. It has become a routine that I have to wake up half an hour earlier and go to the warehouse we rented in FoTan to obtain banners, adhesive tapes, all kinds of OSA souvenirs, stationery etc. before I go to DBS, QC or worse yet, HKU to attend the functions. When the functions ended, I was always the one with the most bags to carry since my fellow EXCOs firmly believe that boys are physically stronger than girls. This means that I have to spend another half an hour to go to the warehouse again, and most of the time, I am in my suit which complicates the process.

I also experienced the feeling of being a "postman" in my EXCO year. I often need to prepare to go to somewhere to collect something from EXCOs or companies for urgency. I still remember that I once had to meet 3 EXCOs in a row before I could get back to school. (First getting printed copies of letters from Phoebe, then going to Causeway Bay to get envelopes from Zita and finally give them to Jaime for packing.) Apart from these, I had to update the project PICs with the response of application when I checked the P.O. Box every day after having lunch around my school. My job was also to calm them down when they heard that there were insufficient participants, which was by telling them more posts would arrive the next day. (They often went mad when the deadline was approaching). Fortunately, they usually got surprises after being upset for one whole day.



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The OSA Homepage consumed another part of my EXCO life. I once thought that keeping the webpage updated was nothing difficult. After a year, I found that lots of effort have to be made indeed. For example, I had to keep on asking the project PICs and IRO to submit their web report after the functions, which in fact, is not a welcoming task. The other challenge was uploading photos of our activities. Every time when I received USBs from the project PICs, there were several hundred photos available for one event day. What I had to do was to choose around 40 photos out of them (some were in bad quality and some were repeated) and resizing them for uploading. This process cost me several hours to complete, and remember, this is for one event day of one project only!

Well, being an AO seems to be a nasty job, doesn't it? Not at all. Whenever my fellow EXCOs needed my help, they would do the following to ensure success: 'Jeff, can you please help me upload the documents to web? Urgent.', 'I know you are strong, Jeff. Could you help me carry these back home?', 'Jeff, you are the best AO ever. Could you go to xxx and photocopy these for me please?' Accordingly, I am more than willing to do so. It is encouraging that by the end of the term, I finally got a fair amount of status among the female EXCOs, most likely, except Jaime. =)

My EXCO-life puzzle would not be complete if I had not been the PIC of two external projects, VTS and ICamp. To me, the two projects were both meaningful and memorable. I am most fortunate to work with Zita and Whitney in this year's VTS. I can still remember clearly from how we started and established the framework at a meeting in the Football Club, to the closing ceremony in which you two burst into tears at DBS. It had been a long journey for the three of us. Efficient Zita, passionate Whitney and a "clear-minded" (the word they used in the VTS booklet) me was just a perfect combination. From October to March, we had been working together to make this year's VTS a successful one. In those 5 months, we worked on every detail and had phone conferences every night and finally came up with the new element of "continuity". As a matter of fact, I miss the time we spent together. I miss the times when I quarreled with Zita about our service target. I miss the times when I laughed with Whitney when seeing the 'hyper' OCs preparing for games. I miss the times when I had to wake up early after a sleepless night of work and go to our service centre with Zita in Sai Wan Ho from Tai Po. Without your support, I would never be confident enough to work through Oday, Aday, Vday, Pday, Service Project and Closing. I am sure that ten years later when we read the farewell booklet again, we will be thankful to find the bittersweet VTS memories and spirits buried deep in our hearts.

ICamp, on the other hand, had a special value to me. I was a participant in ICamp 07. I was an OC in ICamp 08. And I was the PIC of ICamp 09. What more can I ask for when I have this unique alteration of identity in the three consecutive ICamps? What's more, I had a chance to meet and know more about the lovely 24th OSAs there. Although there were insufficient OCs, the 22nd EXCO had been working with the new OSAs as a group closely together to rock this year's ICamp. I will never forget how hard they prepared for the mass games, City tracing, night orienteering, water war and concert etc. I will never forget the days and nights with Phoebe, Chaminade and Joanne, working on the theme and thinking hard about how creativity could be explored. I will never forget the time when four OCs fell sick after leaving OSA Camp and the taxi trip



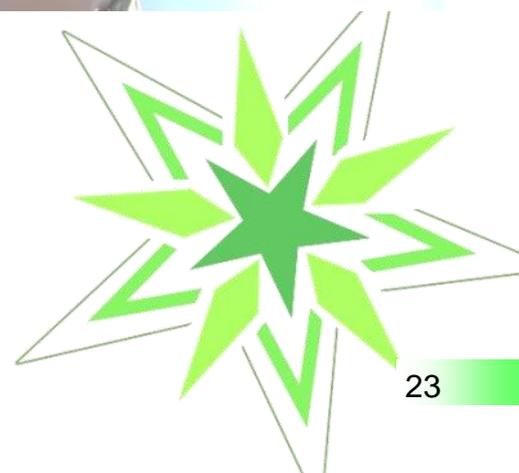
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during midnight which nearly took my life. After all, when seeing participants enjoy the camp very much and OCs cry at the sharing session, I truly felt that our efforts had been well appreciated.

Towards the end of our term, which I thought would be so far away, I would certainly miss the great times, such as sampling the EXCO uniform, drafting scripts for FYLF, filming at TVB, having 'picnic' at Joanne's place etc with the 22nd EXCO. Not seeing the people who were always with you for one year is not something that you can easily get used to, I believe. I will not be an EXCO member very soon. However, the lessons I learnt and the friendship I cultivated this year will not vanish in my heart. It is hard to express my feeling in words and thus I would just like to shout out a big "Thank You" to Phoebe, Chaminade, Zita, Raphael, Joanne, Joey, Whitney and Jaime. Thank you all for tolerating me for the whole year. I look forward to our re-unions and gossiping with you again!

I would also like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all advisors, who provided tremendous support and invaluable advice to me in my EXCO year. Without them, my EXCO life would be much more difficult. Thank you Keung and Vincent, for taking care me the QC "young brother" in OSA. Thank you, Annie, for teaching me all the homepage stuff. Thank you, Hugh, for being my mentor and writing long emails to me to support us. Thank you, Karl, for saying something that inspired me a lot at your place after last AGM. When I felt frustrated or got lost at times this year, your words put me back on the right track. Thank you all.

In this very last page of "Words from EXCOs", I wish you all, members of HKOSA, every success in the future. Thank you.





International Convergence—The Crucible of Culture Traversing Our Flat World



This year's International Convergence, named "International Convergence – the Crucible of Culture", was the fourth in sequence and spanned over three weeks from 8th November 2008 to 30th November 2008. It included three days of talks and workshops, a cultural experience fortnight, and a closing banquet to which prominent guests were invited.

An additional Day 3 was added to this year's International Convergence – the "Booth Session" proved to be a very popular idea amongst participants, as they were able to share their own findings and further broaden their knowledge on the cultures of the countries outside of the one they had been assigned.

With the theme "Traversing the Flat World", the Association tried to spice up the event by allowing the whole of International Convergence to cohere to the central theme of globalisation. This phenomenon has only gained wider and wider attention in our time, and by increasing our participants' knowledge on the topic in our programme, we were able to bring out their interest and awareness towards the interaction of cultures.

Day 1

Day 1 took place at Diocesan Girls' School. We were truly fortunate to have as our guests Professor Gordon MATTHEWS from the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and a group of twelve asylum seekers he brought along with him. In small groups of ten participants to one asylum seeker, deep discussions on how cultural diversity contributes to globalisation took place. What was offered by our guests, however, was much more – they shared many of their sentiments as a refugee and touched the hearts of those who listened. At the end of the day, the participants could truly feel the cultural distinction between Hong Kong and the backgrounds of these refugees. Besides this interesting interactive session, enjoyable mass games were also conducted by Organising Committee members' so that participants could take a break and move about.





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Day 2

On the Day 2 Workshop, we placed emphasis on cultural diversity. We started off with a lecture presented by Professor Desmond HUI from the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and participants gained a thorough understanding of the profound ramifications globalisation is showing at the present time. Next, a group of student advisors representing their countries conversed and interacted with participants to give interesting cultural exchanges. Participants even got to learn some simple phrases in the language of their assigned country, with which they later delivered their sincere gratitude to the student advisors. Afterwards, participants also engaged in an interesting cultural diversity game led by Mr. LEE Scott. The game simulated real life scenarios and illustrated both tangible and intangible barriers presented by the physical world. Through relating to these differences, participants were able to appreciate and respect the differences in various cultures, as well as establish an opinion on how to play a part as a courteous, respectable global citizen of the 21st century.

Cultural Experience Fortnight

The richness of experience is the trademark of this programme. Therefore more than 20 cultural sessions were specially arranged for participants from different groups, including as temple visits, Consulates visits, cuisine cooking sessions, dancing sessions and language learning sessions.



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Day 3

This year, the brand new Booth Session proved to be successful in enabling participants to understand other countries' cultures in addition to that of their assigned one. All participants put a lot of effort into making their booth stand out, which made giving out awards for the most decorative booth a great challenge to the EXCO. Some booths even provided self-prepared food for participants to sample. A stamp system was devised to effectively encourage participants to visit all the booths.



Banquet

As an official closing of the International Convergence, the banquet provided an ideal occasion for participants to conclude what they had learnt in this programme. It was our honour to have Mr. Achim SCHKADE, Deputy Consul-general of the German consulates, to be our guest-of-honour and present certificates. During the banquet, participants also shared what they learnt during the whole scheme. The

nostalgia with which participants recalled outstanding moments and the enthusiasm they exhibited in presenting their newfound interests painted a happy ending to the success of the International Convergence.



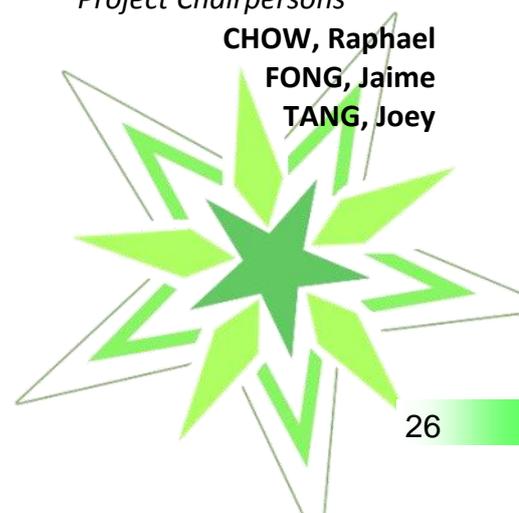
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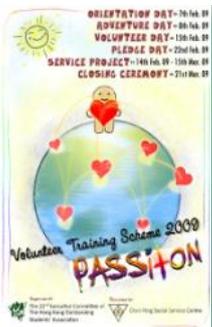
International Convergence – The Crucible of Culture, as the first external project of the session 2008 – 2009, heralded successive successes and cooperation from the EXCO in future projects. With the valuable experiences gained from this project, the EXCO were able to better manage time and expect what was to come in later projects.

Last but not least, we would like to extend a word of thanks to the founders of this great project. With the advent of globalisation, we believe that International Convergence will continue to nurture Hong Kong students to become responsible and culture-conscious global citizens in the coming future.

Project Chairpersons

CHOW, Raphael
FONG, Jaime
TANG, Joey





Volunteer Training Scheme 2009 “Passiton”



The second external project organised by the 22nd Executive Committee, Volunteer Training Scheme 2009, was successfully held from 7th February 2009 to 21st March 2009. It was indeed a fruitful experience for all participants and the Organising Committee. Not only did they enjoy the process of serving those in need, they also spread their happiness to the elderly and children they served, leaving cherished moments in each of their hearts.

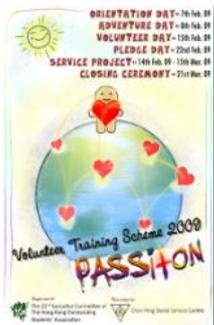
Holding onto the belief that passion is crucial when serving others, this year's Volunteer Training Scheme is themed with a made-up word “Passiton”, meaning to pass it (passion) on. The scheme offered educational sessions such as training workshops and seminars to equip the participants with practical skills and knowledge in serving different clients. This year, in view of the increasing significance of social enterprises in our society, the topic of social corporate responsibilities was incorporated into the Scheme in order to enhance the participants' social awareness. Moreover,

the newly introduced element of continuity lifted the Scheme to another level, where participants are encouraged and given adequate chances to continue to serve those who are less privileged after the official closing of the Scheme. This unprecedented feature certainly enriched the participants' experience in



Orientation Day

On 7th February 2009, 80 participants arrived at Hang Seng School of Commerce, which marked the commencement of this year's Volunteer Training Scheme. Through the exciting ice-breaking game and physically demanding



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station games, participants started to establish communication as well as cooperation among themselves. Moreover, we were grateful to have Mr. CHEUNG Wai Leung with us and through his inspiring sharing, everyone took away some insights in becoming a selfless volunteer.



Adventure Day

Immediately after the Orientation Day, the Adventure Day took place at the Lamma Island HKFYG Campsite. During the day camp, participants were provided with opportunities to refine their leadership and problem-solving skills through the adventure-based activities. Eighty participants, who originally came together as total strangers, began to know each other after the day. The training surely enhanced the future collaboration between participants in planning their own Service Project.



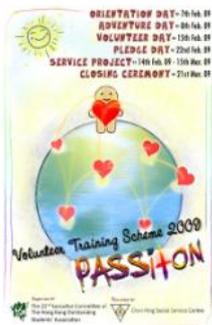
Volunteer Day

The Volunteer Day aimed at increasing the participants' knowledge in social enterprises and volunteer service. Firstly, Representatives from the Wofoo Social Enterprise came to talk about the basics of social enterprises and the roles of such companies. Afterwards, representatives from the Social Welfare Department came to teach our participants the skills in planning a service programme, including how to set objectives and some features of special clients.



Pledge Ceremony

The Pledge Ceremony gave participants the opportunity to formally assert their commitment to serving the community. Led by the Guest of Honour, Ms. Doreen LEUNG, all participants vowed to serve with their whole heart and passion. Afterwards, Ms. LEUNG further inspired them through an in-depth sharing, emphasising on the importance of serving others as well as our dear ones at home. Participants also presented their proposals for their self-designed service sessions on that day. The Executive Committee members made suggestions and compliments on their presentations so that their plans can be further improved.



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Service Project

One of the key aims of the Volunteer Training Scheme was to allow participants to put into practice what they had learnt in the Scheme. Apart from joining services organised by the Organising Committee, they also gained hands-on experience in designing their very own service plans. During the two-month programme, participants were divided into two subgroups – one serving the elderly at Hoi Tai House in Mongkok, and the other serving the children at HKFYG Ching Lok Kindergarten.

The subgroup serving the elderly organised two mass game sessions and two home visits. In the mass game sessions, the elderly took part in guessing games, watched magician’s performance and sang old songs together, enjoying relaxing and joyous afternoons. After the two weekends, participants visited the elderly. They first observed and evaluated on the needs of the elderly. In the second visit, they did follow up work to help the elderly improve their living standards by little acts, such as buying a skid proof carpet or mending a chair. We were glad to see the participants’ eagerness to serve and the building up of relationships between them and the clients. In May and July, home visits were organised again to achieve the aim of continuity.



The subgroup serving the children focused on environmental protection. Through informative sessions and educational games, the awareness of the kindergarten students on the importance of environmental conservation was raised. An outing to the Hong Kong Wetland Park was also organised as a real life experience. Parents of the nursery children were invited to participate in the Wetland Park Volunteer Scheme as well. Unfortunately, due to the poor weather, the outing was cancelled in late May after several postponements. In this subgroup, a pen-pal programme was introduced so that clients and volunteers would keep in contact and support each other.



Closing Ceremony

The Closing Ceremony provided a chance for the participants to present the fruits of their learning experiences through their evaluation reports and reflections on the whole programme. Furthermore, heartfelt thanks must be given to our Honourary Advisor, Ms. MOK Fung Yee, who came to give all our participants encouragement for their roads ahead. The Closing Ceremony ended with a sharing session by the Project Chairpersons and the Organising Committee members, and marked the official closing of the Volunteer Training Scheme 2009.

We hope that everyone will live out the VTS spirit: to serve with passion in your heart!



Youth Summit 2009 Blueprint the Future



This year's Hong Kong Youth Summit was successfully held from 28th March 2009 to 26th April 2009. Bearing the theme "Blueprint the Future", Hong Kong Youth Summit 2009 reflected on current issues and focused on the sustainable development of Hong Kong.

The participants were split into 10 Leadership Groups simulating different social identities. Representing the interests of their assigned social sectors during discussions, participants were inspired to comprehend current issues from different social viewpoints, as well as to develop a sense of empathy towards different groups in the society.

The participants were also allocated into 8 Commission Groups, which held meetings to discuss at least 2 key issues of various social aspects. Not only were the participants able to hone their analytical and speaking skills, they were also encouraged to view their home city from a novel multi-directional approach.

Orientation Day

To mark the beginning of the Hong Kong Youth Summit, an Orientation Day was held on 28th March 2009 at the University of Hong Kong. In order to allow participants better prepare themselves for the upcoming meetings and the Final Summit, a workshop on public speaking skills was lectured by Mr. SONG Li-young, Chairman of the Chinese Speech Sub-Committee of the Hong Kong Schools Music and Speech Association. Apart from that, fun ice-breaking and mass games also provided an opportunity for participants to get to know their group members better. It was an enjoyable day which filled the participants with anticipation.





Youth Summit 2009 Blueprint the Future

Day 1

As an official kick-off to the project, it was our pleasure to have Hon. Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP, the President of the Legislative Council, as the guest-of-honour for the Opening Address. Followed by that, Mr. WONG Hung-chiu Raymond, JP, Permanent Secretary for Education, gave a Commission Seminar on Education focusing on the controversial Medium-of-instruction Fine Tuning Policy. In addition, a Commission Seminar on Social Welfare was led by Mr. Ken CHAN, Chief Officer of Service Development (Children and Youth Service) of Hong Kong Council of Social Service. During these commission seminars, participants showed their eagerness by actively raising questions for the guest speakers. Commission and Leadership Group Meetings were also held between the Seminars.



Day 2

Day 2 Workshop was held on the 4th April 2009. The day began with the Commission Seminar on Tourism by Miss Cynthia LEUNG, General Manager of Corporate Affairs of the Hong Kong Tourism Board, through which participants learnt more about Hong Kong's strategy of promoting tourist spots overseas. Mr. Simon Sui-Cheong CHAU, Chairman of the Green Living Education Foundation, also presented participants with a fresh perspective to environmental conservation.

In addition, this year's Crisis on City H was introduced. Apart from solving the conflicts between the Capitalist and Socialist Party, participants also had to attempt at a resolution to solve the problems of child labour and corruption, revive the down-falling economy, and prepare evacuation arrangements in case the active volcano Mt. Murray erupted. Day 2 had been a fully -packed day filled with both exciting and educational events.





Youth Summit 2009 Blueprint the Future

Day 3

During Day 3, Commissions presented overviews of the resolutions in the newly-introduced Consultation Forum, gathering feedback from the audience to refine their plans. Meanwhile, the Crisis Committee held a Crisis Meeting separately to determine the stance taken by the Socialist and Capitalist party, identified matters of urgency and outlined solutions to the issues.

The Commission Seminar on City Planning by Mr. TAM Po-yiu, Assistant Director of Planning, revealed to participants the mindset of foresighted city planners and highlighted the essential factors of sustainable urban planning. In addition, Mr. Duncan PESCOD, JP, Permanent Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Communications and Technology), delivered a lively and interesting seminar on Hong Kong's development of creative industries. The participants truly enjoyed the seminar on this fresh topic and were also encouraged to let their imagination run wild and potentials unleashed by Mr. PESCOD.



Final Summit

The Final Summit was held on 26th April 2009. Hon Mrs. Regina IP LAU Suk-yi, GBS, JP, Legislative Council Member were invited to deliver the Keynote Address. The participants gained a deeper understanding of Hong Kong's position and role among the world, especially as an international city facing different challenges posed by the financial tsunami and competition from mainland China.

The Hong Kong Youth Summit, a simulation of a meeting at the Legislative Council, was conducted in two 3-hour sessions. Summit Speakers of each Commission first presented their Resolutions, and the floor showed active involvement during the Q & A session by asking numerous questions in terms of feasibility, practicability and rationale behind the Resolutions. After 20 minutes of heated debate over each Resolution, each Leadership Group then voted to either pass or veto the presented Resolution. It was very encouraging to see that participants discussed issues from different viewpoints and developed their communication as well as presentation skills.

To mark the end of this year's Hong Kong Youth Summit, a Closing Banquet was held at Joseph's, Graduate House at the University of Hong Kong. The participants relaxed and enjoyed themselves at the place, chatting with one another, taking numerous photos and finally bidding farewell to their friends who had accompanied them for one whole month.

Project Chairpersons

LAI, Joanne
LAM, Chaminade
TANG, Joey



Interflow Camp 2009 “You’re Hired!”



‘You’re Hired!’ – Participants of Interflow Camp 2009 competed for the Dream Job as Tourism Ambassadors of a long-lost island, Gido. The Executive Board looked for creativity, teamwork, good presentations and communication. In the end, the group giving the best general performance among all tasks was selected to become Tourism Ambassadors at the end of the Camp.

Orientation Day

The eighty participants met together for the first time on 11th July 2009. The day began with a presentation by the Executive Committee members and a professionally-designed opening video clip was also shown, in which the beautiful scenery of Gido and its inhabitants (the Organising Committee) was revealed to the audience.

After grasping a brief understanding of the project, participants got to warm up through an ice-breaking game. An exciting station game was introduced afterwards. Running around the campus of Queen’s College, participants had to complete various tasks challenging their teamwork and problem-solving skills.

The final group activity of the day was the creation of group name and slogan. After their unique and creative presentations, details regarding this year’s theme game were introduced. Before dismissal, the groups picked their genre and place for the video that they had to produce. All were eager to watch their fruits of labour and





Interflow Camp 2009 “You’re Hired!”

Day 1

The long-awaited Interflow Camp 2009 started off in the morning of 28th July 2009. Assembling at Queen’s College, participants were required to follow the routes of the OSA elders in order to arrive at Gido. Stations were set up in Hong Kong Island and Kowloon along the routes. Participants demonstrated high spirits when they were asked to complete different tasks, and despite the hot weather, all groups were arrived at Gido punctually and safely.

After settling down at the campsite, three rounds of ‘Trust Game’, including ‘Trust Fall’, ‘Trust Run’ and ‘Trust Stand’ were played. After dinner, all participants became Sherlock Holmes in the Night Orienteering session. Instead of investigating EXCO’s love affairs, this year participants met some creative and mysterious characters on Gido, such as the head-hunting habitants, human-eating habitants, witches and pirates. Our OC members are all Oscar actresses/actors and managed to scare our participants most of the time. After the session, participants went back to their dormitories and took a good rest after the tiring day.

Day 2

The morning started off with physically-demanding relay races involving three-legged marching, frog-jumping and the like. In addition, the teams were tested on their strategising ability as they strive for survival in the tagging game.

Intense calls and shouts filled the gymnasium as the auction of “weapons” for the latter Water War unfolded. Immediately afterwards, all participants had good time getting wet and splashing cool water towards one another under the scorching sun.

At the Movie Appreciation which was part of the Camp’s Theme Game, participants savoured the satisfaction after a fortnight of hard work with their teammates as their short movies were shown. Their movies were judged based on how creative and relevant to the assigned genre and renowned place the plot was, as well as acting and filming skills. Participants were required much beyond sitting back and relaxing, as a group would be randomly chosen to do an impromptu performance related to the previous film.

The second part of the theme game was a treasure hunt, which was based on the storyline that a diagram – a mystical seal of Gido National Museum – was broken, causing the revival of the Museum’s wax statues. While participants raced against time to search for the symbols to regenerate the seal, wax figures roaming around the campsite, such as the Red Indian and Sherlock Holmes confronted them with challenging tasks.

We were most grateful to have invited representatives of the Hong Kong New Generation Cultural Association to hold the Creativity Workshop, which introduced to our participants the core elements of creativity. The eight groups showcased their innovative ideas as they presented their inventions.





Interflow Camp 2009 “You’re Hired!”

After dinner, participants formed a circle under the darkening sky as the Campfire Session began. The atmosphere was instantly roused and warmed up for the highlight of the day—The Night Concert.

The concert blasted off with energetic performances by EXCOs and OCs in the Activity Room. The mood was heightened as group ambassadors sang in unison, dedicating their songs to their groups. Participants waved their fluorescent sticks to support their ambassadors. The night ended emotionally as EXCOs and OCs took turns to share their feelings and all joined in the singing of ICamp’s Theme Song, 《回憶》 hand in hand.



Day 3

Participants grasped the final opportunity to demonstrate their creativity, presentation skills and group cooperation in Gido’s Next Top Model. Their beautiful costumes and catwalk entertained the audience, and in spite of being sleep-deprived, all participants were very involved in the session.

Towards the end of the camp, secret admirers revealed their identities to their Idols and the results of the Best Secret Admirer Election were unveiled. Then, the long-awaited moment arrived as the winning team, with the highest accumulated score since the Orientation

Day, was announced. The newly employed Gido Tourism Ambassadors received their Employee’s Cards along with souvenirs from the Executive Committee. Certificates were then presented to participants and the OCs.

Friendship proved to be the most valued as participants formed lines leaving messages to their friends in the back-writing session, almost refusing to pack up and leave.

It took a while before everyone left the campsite after the group photo was shot and the group was dismissed. It was indeed hard to resist the urge to linger around, give and receive hugs, capture some final shots with friends with the



beautiful natural scenery of Sai Kung as backdrop.

Project Chairpersons

CHAN, Jeff

LAI, Joanne

LAM, Chaminade



Internal Gatherings

Christmas Gathering “Our Everlasting Song”

The Christmas internal celebration 2008 – “Our Everlasting Song” – was successfully held on 27th December 2008. In the gathering, OSArS had a remarkable experience re-recording the all-time favourites of fellow OSArS, 《回憶》 and 《青苗》.

During the recording of the songs, OSArS showcased their outstanding talents in music. Starting from practising the correct tunes of the songs, it took OSArS only three hours to eventually sing harmonious melodies which filled the whole recording room. Every one of us sang hard, hoping to contribute our efforts to our beloved family. We hope that both songs would be passed down from generation to generation in the near future, bonding and uniting all members of the big and welcoming OSA family.

The session was followed by a hot pot dinner gathering at Sure Rich Seafood Restaurant in Jordan. During the warm dinner, OSArS, senior and young, sat together to recall the happy memories in the Association. Despite the cold weather that day, the atmosphere was cozy and cheerful.

All in all, OSArS had an enjoyable and meaningful day in the Christmas holidays. Special thanks must be given to Mr. TSANG, Kevin (1728), for his valued assistance and support to the re-recording of the songs by offering technical help.



5.31 Internal Gathering “Painting A New Future”

On 31st May 2008, OSArS reacted promptly to the disaster by sketching hope for the Sichuan victims on paper. The clock ticked on, and exactly one year later on 31st May 2009, OSArS gathered together again to show their support and care for the people in Sichuan by painting for them a hopeful future.

In the morning of the 31st, participating OSArS assembled and went to a club house for the painting session, during which participants brought their splendid creativity and artistic talents into full play. All participants joined efforts to complete a long banner. On the banner, there was an innocent girl blowing bubbles which symbolised hope. Inside each and every bubble, OSArS drew pictures and scenes containing messages that we would like to convey to people in Sichuan. The chromatic sun rays shining on the bubbles further lightened up the whole picture. In these two hours, OSArS used paintbrushes (and their fingers!) to express their sincere aspirations for people in Sichuan to stand up and build their own rainbow-like future. The banner will be later sent to a secondary school in Sichuan through the UNICEF.

New and senior OSArS had a fun time mingling and getting to know more about each other in a café for lunch. OSArS also had a fun time playing games. From the hearty laughter and chit-chats, the gathering proved to be successful in bonding OSArS together.





Internal Gatherings

Brainstorming Session

Throughout the whole year, the 22nd Executive Committee was lucky enough to be able to meet up with our Advisors regularly. Apart from instilling in us a sense of belonging to the affectionate OSA family, these meetings also helped us enormously in our preparation of this year's events. One such gathering was the Brainstorming Session held on 2nd November, 2008.

On that day, we discussed the planning details of our first external project, International Convergence – The Crucible of Culture. We explored novel elements which could make our project closer align to its theme of globalization, and finally rested on the idea of introducing a new booth session. The booth session was proved to be a success; the participants benefited from exchanging ideas and learning more about the cultures of other countries as well.

Our Advisors also encouraged us to strive to achieve “continuity” in Volunteer Training Scheme 2009. This year, follow-up activities such as regular home visits to the elderly were held even after the four project days had officially ended. The Project Chairpersons were heartened by the enthusiastic response of the participants, and was grateful that the special feature of continuity was introduced this year.

Our heartfelt thanks must go to Mr. Keith TIEN (1229), Mr. Kenneth TONG (1329), Mr. William CHAN (1601), Miss Vienna NG, Mr. Vincent CHIU (2011), Miss Annie LI (2025) and Miss Ida LEE (2217) for spending a happy afternoon with us. Your suggestions have indeed enriched our projects! =D

Mid-year Evaluation

On the third day of the New Year 2009, our Executive Committee met up with several Advisors to report on the progress over the past few months, reflect upon points of improvement and seek their valuable advice on various matters.

Mr. Vincent CHIU (2011), Mr. Bryce KAM (2014), Mr. Bryan KAM (2015) and Mr. Felix YAM (2138) were present, a lot of progress was made. During the evaluation session, we were able to review many of the problems that surfaced throughout the first four months since our inauguration.

Each member of the Executive Committee then recounted his or her experience in a brief overview of what had struck them as most difficult or interesting in the first few months of serving the Association, and each one of us was able to reconcile our weaknesses and receive commendation for our achievements.

After reflecting on the past and recounting our present experiences, we moved on to talk about the future. Not only did our Advisors give valuable comments on our upcoming projects, we also collectively thought one step further to the changing education system and discussed how the structure of the EXCO should change under the 3-3-4 system.



Mentorship Programme



This summer, the Mentorship Programme is no longer a dream for OSArS, it has finally been taken off the ground by the 22nd Executive Committee. After careful consideration and collecting opinions from our members, we have decided to launch the Programme which aims to create a bridge between senior and younger OSArS. We hope that through sharing with one another their experiences, mentors can get to know more about their mentees and mentees can be inspired to make informed choices in the future.

In the Programme, mentors and mentees are grouped according to their fields of expertise and career interests respectively. In order for mentors and mentees to catch up with one another once in a while, mentorship meetings will be held half-yearly by the HKOSA. Also, mentors and mentees can meet up in self-arranged meetings or internal gatherings.

On 19th July 2009, the Orientation Day of the Programme took place at St. Joseph's

College. We were met with great enthusiasm and support from all participants. After a round of self-introduction, mentors and mentees formed small groups and chatted for nearly two hours. Not only did the mentors recount their career encounters, they also shared their university life experiences, life as an OSAr as well as feelings on the release of HKCEE results. It was a joyous and fruitful session and every mentee found that he/she has benefited from the interactions.

The 22nd Executive Committee would like to express our heart-felt gratitude towards senior OSArS who had given us valuable suggestions about the programme through filling out the Mentorship Programme Questionnaire, and also to all OSArS who had signed up to be a mentor / mentee of the Mentorship Programme. The Programme can never be as successful without the support from you all.

With a successful kickoff to the Programme, we hope that it can gain every success in the coming future!



Future Young Leaders' Forum



Similar to previous years, the Hong Kong Outstanding Students' Association was given the opportunity to co-organise the Future Young Leaders' Forum with The Outstanding Young Persons' Association (TOYPA) and other prominent organisations. Held on 2nd December, 2008 at the Queen Elizabeth Stadium, Future Young Leaders' Forum 2008 was another fun, spectacular yet educational highlight for over two thousand primary and secondary school students all over Hong Kong.

Bearing the theme「傑青新一代 無毒由我創」, the Forum aims at cautioning participants that one should never attempt drug abuse. Through thought-provoking sharing sessions by ex-drug abusers, enjoyable dance sessions and singing performances, the event succeeded in conveying its message effectively. The Forum was also a kick-off to a one-year programme「傑青禁毒大使」, an anti-drug abuse ambassador scheme to promote awareness on drug abuse within the local school community.

The 22nd Executive Committee, along with OSAr's Cherlyle Chan and Sharon Yuen, also had their chance to shine on stage. We performed a 30-minute self-written and directed drama entitled「毒一無二」, hoping to remind participants

that they would pass the point of no return in their life once they began to rely on drugs. To be frank, this was the first time for many of us to perform a drama in front of such a large audience. Although we did not get cold feet on stage, we indeed felt anxious and nervous before the performance. Therefore, we were greatly relieved and encouraged when our drama received positive response from the audience. We were even invited by TVB to shoot a short extract of our drama at Tseung Kwan O TVB City, which was released during an educational programme「文化新領域」a few weeks afterwards.

Special thanks must be given to Mr. CHEUNG, Benny, president of TOYPA and honorary advisor to the Association; Ms. PONG, Scarlett, vice-president of TOYPA and chairperson of the Organising Committee of the Future Young Leaders' Forum 2008; and honorary advisor Ms. LEUNG, Doreen for their unfailing guidance and support. We hope that all Hong Kong teenagers will be able to lead a fruitful life free from the evils of drugs!





Social Services

"All's Right with the World" (歌舞昇平) Movie Screening cum Sharing Session
The "All's Right with the World" Movie Screening cum Sharing Session as well as the follow-up activity, City Walking Tour in Sham Shui Po, were held on 23rd November 2008 and 20th December 2008 respectively. In the financial metropolis of Hong Kong, the needs of the deprived are often overlooked by society, particularly during these times of economic difficulty.

More than two hundred young professionals and teenagers were invited to watch the movie "All's Right with the World". The movie depicts the lives of several families in Hong Kong, all of which receive comprehensive subsidies. The reasons leading to their poverty as well as living conditions may be different, but they share a similar state of existence – accustomed and adapted to poverty.

After the movie, the audience engaged in an interactive discussion on the issue of youth poverty. The session aimed at developing a better understanding of the underprivileged among the audience as well as cultivating a caring heart for the poor. The director Mr. King Wai CHEUNG, student representatives and social workers all voiced out their opinions enthusiastically during the sharing session.



City Walking Tour in Sham Shui Po
As a follow-up activity to the movie screening session, OSArS participated in a city walking tour in Sham Shui Po. Through walking around the district, we looked at poverty in Hong Kong from different points of view and gained first-hand experience of what the actual living environment, culture, and social networking of the less privileged were like.

We visited several local craftsman shops, including those producing wooden trolleys, zinc cabins and vine furniture. We realised that despite the fact that people in Sham Shui Po were not very well-off, they were friendly and enjoyed their lives very much.





Social Services

Tutoring Service for Children

In January and February, ten OSArS participated in a tutoring programme at the Precious Blood Ka Ling School in Sham Shui Po. The tutoring programme aimed at preparing Primary six students for their interviews at secondary schools through performing mock interviews with these students.

Under the student: tutor ratio of 2:1, OSArS took up the role of young teacher and carried out mock interviews with the students. These interviews started with questions from the surface, then went with the flow and go deeper into the issue.

In each session of 45 minutes, we tried out two rounds of interviews. We were all delighted to see that our students learnt quickly after we have given them feedbacks on their weaknesses and strengths, and coped with us really well.

After the service, we all felt refreshed and satisfied. Growing up in a more privileged environment than these children do, we certainly shared what we learnt with them and aided them in this important milestone in their lives.

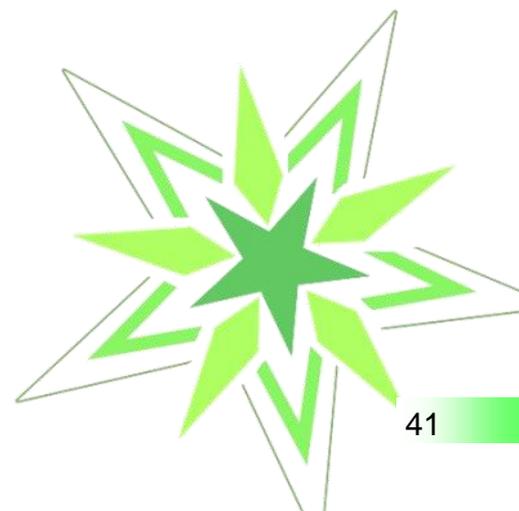
New Year Cleaning Up Service

On 18th January 2009, a group of dedicated OSArS not only did they clean the living places of the lone elderly, they also chatted with the elderly so that they would feel less lonely and welcome the Lunar New Year with a cheerful heart.

After being taught about some basics of residence cleaning by the social worker of the Chan Hing Social Service Centre, cleaning equipment was distributed and they headed towards the assigned elderly residences in Tai Kok Tsui.

Some OSArS were surprised to see how poorly- illuminated and equipped these old people lived in. This was indeed an invaluable chance for them to observe the living conditions of the lone elderly first-hand and not merely reading from textbooks or the Internet.

Although exhausted after cleaning the flats, OSArS unanimously thought that this was a meaningful service. The grateful smiles of the elderly as well as the fulfilling expressions of the volunteers proved this service to be a great success for both parties.



Social Services Project 2009 The CHEMistry of Love

The Social Services Project 2009 was held from late May to early July this year, offering a great opportunity for OSArS to serve society through volunteer services, as well as to meet new and senior OSArS alike. Themed “The CHEMistry of Love”, the project consists of four service programmes targeted at Children with Cancer, Students with Hearing Disability, the Elderly, and the Mentally Challenged. The services were supported by the Prince of Wales Hospital, the Lutheran School for the Deaf, Hoi Tai House and the Hong Kong Caritas Lok Hang Workshop.

Each service commenced with an introductory session which were held in late May, which provided basic knowledge of the target group, the requirements and things to note when planning a service for the clients. OSArS were most encouraged to join the introductory sessions of other programmes to learn more about different clients if they were unable to participate in the many service sessions helping various targets.

This year, apart from being a participant in the service programmes, OSArS also had a chance to act as co-ordinators. There were two to six co-ordinators per service programme, who had to write up a proposal for the service and co-ordinate between the service centre and participating volunteers. The details of the four service programmes are as follows:

Service C: Children with Cancer

Service C was cancelled due to the Swine Flu outbreak, as volunteers were not allowed to enter public hospital during this period.

Service H: Students with Hearing Disabilities

An introductory session was held for OSArS to gain a better understanding of their clients and the available resources at the school. A dactylology class was also included during which simple and direct dactylology will be taught in order to facilitate communication with the clients. In the service programme, classes teaching practical skills such as playing musical instruments and dancing were take place. These sessions aim to broaden the horizons of the clients and allow them to spend enjoyable afternoons.



Social Services Project 2009 The CHEMistry of Love

Service E: Elderly

A month after our second external project, the Volunteer Training Scheme 2009, we again visited the elderly living in Hoi Tai House in Mongkok. OSArS had the opportunity to organise a series of services for the elderly. Regular visits to the elderly homes were then held. The grateful smiles of the elderly as well as the fulfilling expressions of the volunteers proved this service to be a great success for both parties.

Service M: Mentally Challenged

OSArS learnt about the mentally challenged through visiting their workplace in Caritas, which served as an excellent opportunity for OSArS to learn to care about the minorities and unprivileged in society. Moreover, mass game sessions were organised by OSArS, so that through these fun interactions, clients could enjoy themselves and volunteers came to understand them more.



OSA in External Events

Hong Kong Outstanding Students Awards Prize Presentation

This year's Hong Kong Outstanding Students Awards Prize Presentation was held on 13th June 2009 at World Trade Centre Club.

The Guests of Honour for the day included Ms. Florence HUI, Under Secretary of Home Affairs, Ms. Dora HUNG and Mr. Ringo MAK, Chairman of The Outstanding Young Persons' Association. Principals of schools, teachers, parents and friends of the awardees also shared the joy by attending the ceremony.

In addition, several senior OSArS took part in the event. Ms. Judy KWAN (0604) and Mr. Jonathan HSUI (1111) took up the roles of the Master and Mistress of Ceremony as previous years, while Ms. Renee CHAN (1401) performed three songs to welcome our new members. Moreover, Renee also invited her father to join her in the singing performance. They made use of the opportunity to wish all parents present an early happy Father's Day, as well as to remind OSArS the importance of spending quality time with our parents. It was indeed a unique heart-warming and meaningful prize presentation ceremony.

The new OSArS merrily performed the Association Song "Qing Miao" with the dance steps together with EXCO members for guests present at the ceremony. The performance was well-received by the audience, creating a relaxing and joyful atmosphere.



Yellow Ribbon Project Kick-off Ceremony

On 18th April 2009 at Wu Kwai Sha Youth Village, five EXCO members helped out in the Yellow Ribbon Project Kickoff Ceremony organised by the Christian Prison Pastoral Association Ltd. The yellow ribbon is a sign of forgiveness and acceptance; and this Yellow Ribbon Project aims to generate acceptance of ex-offenders in the community and create awareness of the need to give second chances to them.

While our President was invited as one of the officiating guests on that day, the other EXCO members took up the responsibilities of maintaining stage order and escorting guests. Apart from helping out in this meaningful activity, it was also a chance for us to meet with many friends of OSA, such as Revd. YEUNG Hok Ming, one of the adjudicators for the Hong Kong Outstanding Students Awards and our Honourary Advisor Ms. MOK Fung Yee.

Even though we only ran small errands at the Ceremony, we certainly received the important message embodied in the yellow ribbon. Taking this opportunity, we hope that everyone will encourage people around you to accept and forgive those who did wrong, and make this world a place of harmony to live in!





The 24th OSArS

24th OSArS Orientation Day

On 29th March 2009, one day after the Hong Kong Outstanding Students' Awards interview session, the forty-four new members of the Association immediately had their first chance to meet up again during the 24th OSArS Orientation Day. Despite their busy schedules and the fact that some even had their public exams coming up, OSArS spared a few hours in the morning to engage themselves in fun activities so as to know more about their new friends.

On that day, after assembling at the Kowloon MTR Station, OSArS immediately came face-to-face with their first challenge upon entering OSA – the “OSA Trail”. This year, our Internal Relations Officer decided to use the characteristics of the nine EXCO members as the clue to each station in the Trail. For example, Joanne, our Financial Secretary, is very good at maintaining our Association's finances and her feature of a price-watcher gives our new members the hint to head for Three Sixty to search for different prices of goods. In this way, following the series of codes and clues, OSArS had to trace around different corners of the MTR station and complete tasks of a huge variety, which requires from our fellow OSArS righteousness (創義), ability (創藝) and creativity (創意). OSArS demonstrated their intelligence by cracking the codes one by one, which led them to further showcase their wit and talents when performing tasks as such.

Right after the exciting “OSA Trail”, OSArS were led to a clubhouse for the second part of the programme – a sharing session between senior and new OSArS. In the sharing session, advisors, Executive Committee members and sub-committee members of the Association shared with our new OSArS what they have gained since they entered this big family. Upon listening to the experiences of senior OSArS, our new members are all eager to embark on a fruitful journey as an OSAr. On top of this, OSArS took this chance to know one another better.

We were most happy to have one of our advisors, CHAN, William (1704), with us during the sharing session on that day, who shared with our new members his personal experiences in the Association. Last but not least, the 22nd Executive Committee would like to extend our warmest welcome to all 24th OSArS and we hope that they will cherish the unique experiences they encounter in this splendid family.



The Cubs



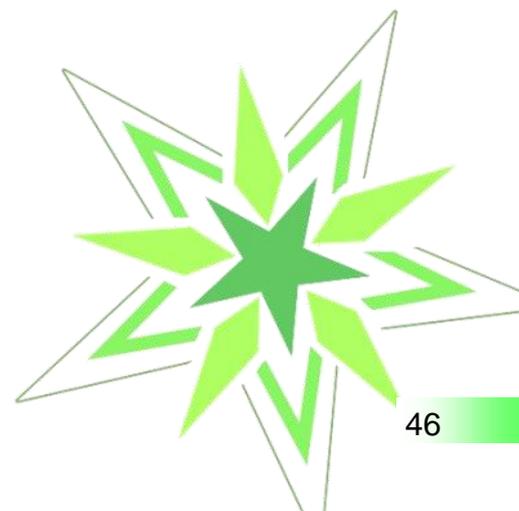
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Allen Benjamin
La Salle College

It is always a pleasure to learn from others, but to be immersed in a student body such as OSA is a privilege for me. I am an athlete, and I swim everyday for more than just competing, for it trains discipline, something I find very important. This in turn helps my other love: public speaking, debating and the art of rhetoric. I proudly help my school, La Salle College, speak and I love to carry Hong Kong's Bauhinia around the globe in my international experiences. Though this does not leave me much time, I love the outdoors, a good hike and a good book. I look forward to fruitful times with all my fellow OSArS!



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Stephanie Au
Sacred Heart Canossian College

2403
Chan Ka Cheung
Sha Tin Government Secondary School



The Cubs



2404

Alison Chan

St. Stephen's Girls' College

Hi, everybody. I am Alison Chan, a F5 science student in St. Stephen's Girls' College. I am very happy that I can be one of the OSAs. I chose Science because as a child, I was always fascinated by the world around me and had a desire to understand how things worked. Striving for academic excellence is not only part of my school life. I have been participating in a lot of extracurricular activities. Playing French horn has been playing a very important role in my life. Music has been giving me great satisfaction, not only winning prizes in competitions but also enriching my life and experiencing the world from a new perspective. My dream is to have a job that allows me to combine my great interest in science with my passion for music although I know this is not easy.



2405

Wharton Chan

German Swiss International School

Hey there! My name is Wharton, and I'm very glad you're reading this, because I might be the one who can guide your way through the wondrous life of OSA! OSA is not only about the election, because that is only the start. Within the OSA society, you will make new, talented friends that might be your true friends in your future! Strong bonds will also bring forth elder OSAs, and their valuable experience will help you a lot! As for me, I really enjoy all the activities of OSA, because it is the time where I can meet my friends, have fun and learn together from the activity. Apart from that, I am a musician: I play all sorts of music instruments, and I enjoy spreading the joy to the audience! Even within OSA, I always communicate with others through music; we understand each other without talking.



2406

Cheung Ching

P. L. K. Centenary Li Shiu Chung Memorial College

I'm Conrad (張晶), a "Tuen-Mun-er". I have quite a lot of interests: on award-basis, I'm specialised in Chinese-writing, Odyssey-of-the-Mind and maybe mathematics; on interest-basis, I took physics, astronomy and engineering courses in CU and UST. I also participate in activities like gardening, debating, etc. So basically, I like everything; and I'm quite proud of my creativity. Also interested in plot-designing, computer graphics and programming, I have hobbies like watching cartoons, sleeping, working and looking at the sky. In the future, I hope that I can contribute whatever I can for the prosperity of the OSA! 47

The Cubs



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Jacqueline Cheung
Pui Ching Middle School

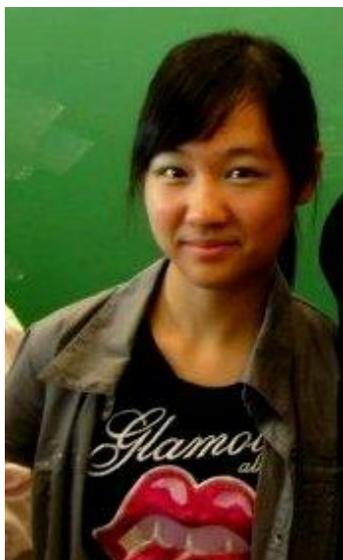
My name is Cheung Hoi Ching, Jacqueline. I am a student from Pui Ching Middle School and I am the lucky one who can sit for the last HKCEE exam in 2010 (Guess which form I am in?). You may find me an extrovert and introvert as I like reading books and playing piano but at the same time, I also love running and playing badminton. If you like one of those activities, you are most welcome to join me!



2408

Gareth Cheung
German Swiss International School

Hi, I'm Gareth! I study at German Swiss International School. I'm fun and outgoing and always eager to make new friends. When I'm not playing squash or attending to my schoolwork I enjoy playing the piano and violin, taking care of my three cats, participating in charity events, as well as spending time with my friends – in fact, I look forward to doing that all the time with OSA! Joining OSA has been an incredible experience for me and I hope I will be able to learn from the highly talented people who make OSA such a remarkable organisation. Look out for me at future events!



2409

Liza Cheung
Ying Wa Girls' School

Greetings to all! This is Liza Cheung from Ying Wa Girls' School. It's really my blessing and honor to join as a member of the 24th OSAs, since I've gained so much warmth and happiness whilst getting along with you all in these months. Spending time with you guys, no matter if we're working for projects or hanging out, has been my greatest time since I entered the Association. Now OSA is just like another home for me, and all of you are like my brothers and sisters. Thanks for your love and care, and thanks for everything from my dearest OSA!

The Cubs



2410
Sincere Chiu
Diocesan Girls' School

Greetings everyone! This is Sincere Chiu from Diocesan Girls' School. It is my pleasure to be one of the 24th OSAs. I have diverse interests but among all of them, eating, sleeping and reading are the ones that I cannot live without. Occasionally, I go ice-skating or play badminton. But most of the time, I enjoy more static activities. To be a good debater is also one of my dreams. "Qing miao" dance and Social Service Projects introduced me to OSA and my fellow OSAs. I look forward to spending a fruitful summer with all these wonderful people and actualising our dreams together. I am confident that the coming months will be an exhilarating adventure. See you all in the upcoming OSA activities!



2411
Marco Chu
Kwun Tong Maryknoll College

I am Marco Chu, one of the 24th OSAs. I love music and indulge in all kinds of reading. I also admire great leaders who deliver impressive speeches. The beauty beneath very single note or word is the power to influence and to express. Hiking is my favourite activity in which you can surmount your limit. I believe the life in OSA can also help us also. The golden sunrise after every hard journey is most enjoyable and the tasty fruit after hard work is most valuable. I will surely treasure every opportunity in OSA to learn, have fun and enjoy!



2412
Loretta Fan
St. Paul's Convent School

Hi there, this is Loretta, a rising Form 5 student from St. Paul's Convent School. I love to paint and travel. I also enjoy debating and reading. Other than that, I am especially talented at pressing the snooze button on my alarm clock, spending time (and money) in cinemas, and taking short naps when studying. Other addictions of mine include m&ms, coke-zero, Evian water, and facebook. I am extremely thrilled to be a part this big OSA family. In OSA, I hope to widen my eyesight, meet all kinds of fabulous people, and gain life-long friends.

The Cubs



2413
Victor Hui
St. Joseph's College



2414
Jasmine Jor
St. Paul's Co-educational College

Hi! I am Jor Sze Man, Jasmine from St. Paul's Co-educational College. If you look carefully, it's not hard to notice that my English name and Chinese name sound quite similar. So, hope you all will remember me, using this characteristic. Being an extremely talkative person; I love public speaking and debating. Through joining SSP and ICamp, I have met a lot of friendly members of the OSA family. I hope in the near future that I can get to know more and learn more from the other elites in OSA.



2415
Ivan Kwok
Queen's College

Hello everybody! I am Ivan, Kwok Chit Pan. I study at Queen's College, and will be in F.5 in the coming academic year. I am a Chinese debater and I love this activity very much. I like to learn new things as well. I think I am a man who seems a bit quiet. But once you know me well, you will find that I am actually energetic and cheerful. I feel really honoured, to be a member of OSA. I hope to gain friendships with other OSARs which are valuable to me.

The Cubs



2416

Nora Lai

True Light Middle School of Hong Kong

My name is Nora. I am studying in Form 4 in True Light Middle School of Hong Kong. I have a lot of hobbies, such as playing volleyball, singing, cycling and travelling. I am an active and quite humorous person, so my greatest pleasure is chatting with my friends, telling jokes and having fun in games. I hope that I can join more activities held by OSA in the future and meet more new friends!



2417

Stewart Lai

Christian Alliance S. C. Chan Memorial College

Greetings! This is Stewart Lai, a Form 5 Student of Christian Alliance S C Chan Memorial College. Listening to music and watching movies are my favourite pastimes, and my favourite singer and movie is Eason Chan and "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" respectively. Being one of the 24th OSAr, I am glad that I have had the chance meet a lot of new friends and EXCOs. Indeed, living with so many brilliant people is not easy and sometimes we will feel tired, however, I believe that the close bonding between the OSAr can help us overcome most of the adversities, and lead a meaningful life. Thank you.



2418

Winky Lai

Marymount Secondary School

When I say....

"I am an OSAr"

I'm **No** better than anyone

I'm just **liKe** any others

Who special**lY** received God's grace, somehow!

When I say...

"I am an OSAr "

I'm **Not** claiming to be perfect,

My **mistaKes** are far too visible

But God believes I am **worthy** of it.

When I say....

"I am an OSAr"

I'm **Not** saying that I am strong.

I'm professing that I'm **weaK**

But have faith that it's in this **journeY** that I'll become strong...

Guess who I am. The answer is just right before you:

Winky.

The Cubs



2422

Angele Law

Diocesan Girls' School

Being a Form 5 student studying in Diocesan Girls' School, I enjoy both sports and music. Table tennis, violin and vocal singing are those that I especially take pleasure in. Other than that, I am interested in Chinese debating, reading, cooking and more. I would regard myself as an optimistic and enthusiastic person who tries to do my best in everything. Having gone through the OSA's social service projects, I have made friends with a lot of affable OSAs and expect to come into contact with more of them. I also wish to have more involvement in OSA's activities such as voluntary and co-ordination work to develop my maturity. OSA is indeed a warm and embracing family, and I will definitely try to contribute to it in return for those precious opportunities that it has awarded me with.



2423

Kallista Lee

SKH Bishop Mok Sau Tseng Secondary School

I am Kallista Lee, a form 5 student of SKH Bishop Mok Sau Tseng Secondary School. Starting from Form 4, I have joined plenty of joint school events held by OSA. They have given me chances to meet other elites and have interactions with them. Currently, I am really blissful that I am a member of OSA. Other than attending the bravo trainings, I can act as a coordinator and leader in organizing various activities. I hope to express my deepest acknowledgements here. Moreover, it is so nice to meet other OSAs. Everyone is an eminent teenager and I am truly proud of them, as well as the HKOSA.



2424

Earnest Leung

True Light Girls' College

Hi, I am Earnest Leung Cheuk Yiu, a Form 3 student from True Light Girls' College. I like playing the piano, travelling, eating, reading, watching TV, chatting and more. Being selected as the finalists, I can participate in a large variety of activities held by OSA. I am sure that they are interesting and meaningful. I hope that I can improve myself by learning from all the elites of OSA through these activities. Last but not least, I would like to thank my school for nominating me to participate in the selection and my parents for their continuous support.

The Cubs



2419

Matthew Lam

Tsuen Wan Government Secondary School

Hi! I am Matthew Lam. I relish reading and detective stories are my favourites, as I can train up my logical thinking while appreciating the sagacity of the genius characters. I also place importance on regular exercises. With numerous open spaces in my neighbourhood, I can go slow jogging whenever I want. Being an OSAr, I long to gain some invaluable experiences through participating in various activities and exchanging views with other OSAr. I believe these experiences will prove useful in my future study and career. Moreover, by making friends with other OSAr, I can widen my social circle, thus bringing colours to my life canvas.



2420

Sardonna Lam

N.T. Heung Yee Kuk Yuen Long District Secondary School

Greetings to all! I am Sardonna Lam. Truly, I feel honoured to enter the OSA Family. I am convinced that academic achievement is not synonymous with life fulfillment. To me, engaging in manifold extra-curricular activities can absolutely add zest to my life! Therefore, I am more than happy to get involved in a wide range of activities. Life as an OSAr is joyful and enlightening. After taking part in the Social Service Project organised by OSA, I have been fully convinced that OSAr are exceptionally active and efficient! This gives me strong motivation to accomplish the preparation work of the Interflow Camp and the Annual Dinner as well.



2421

Steve Lau

Po Leung Kuk Tang Yuk Tien College

Hello, I'm Steve. I'm a Form 4 student (year 08/09) studying in PLK Tang Yuk Tien College in Tuen Mun. I'm the kind of person who prefers staying at home rather than going out. In my leisure time, I usually listen to music (mostly jpop and English songs) or watch drama series (especially foreign ones). Sometimes I read novels. I hope I can make more new friends and broaden my horizon as a member in the HKOSA.

The Cubs



2425
Johnson Leung
La Salle College

Hi! I'm Johnson Leung, one of the 11 awardees of the Lion and Globe 2009 Outstanding Students. I am 16 years old and currently a S4 student of La Salle College. My interests lie in Music. My favourite hobbies are playing the piano and writing Music. I also play the violin and enjoy conducting. The most memorable thing this year is I received my first royalties from my compositions being a member of the Composers and Authors Society of HK Ltd. If you are organising some musical activities or a band, please don't hesitate to contact me!



2426
Cindy Leung
Po Leung Kuk No.1 W. H. Cheung College

Hi, everybody! I am Cindy Leung from PLK No.1 W.H. Cheung College and also one of the 24th OSARs. I am very excited to become a member of OSA. I believe that I can learn many, many things from the others in the association. Also, I have many interests like watching movies, music, sports, etc. I hope I can make a lot of new friends to share different interests among us and have great fun!



2427
Cindy Leung
St. Mary's Conossian College

Hi! I'm Cindy from St. Mary's Conossian College and am currently studying Form Five. It's such an honor to be an OSAR and meet you here. I love sports, so physically demanding games like City Tracing at the Interflow Camp attract me especially. Basketball is my favorite and NBA play-offs are a must-watch for me even during exam period. Undoubtedly, the passion and the pursuit of perfection of the executive committee impress me. I hope that OSA will continue to act a leading role in inspiring secondary students of more schools to respond to different issues in the society.

The Cubs



2428

Vera Lo

Diocesan Girls' College

Hello, everyone! I am Vera Lo, a Form 5 student from Diocesan Girls' School. At school, I mainly do long-distance running, but I do enjoy doing a variety of sports activities outside school. I also like to read during my free time. I am extremely glad to join the big family of OSA this year. I look forward to getting to know more about other, both past and present, OSARs through various activities in the future.



2429

Vivienne Ng

Maryknoll Convent School

I am Vivienne. As suggested by my name, I am a lively and vivid person; enjoy dancing and am a member of the modern dance team of my school, Maryknoll Convent School. I also love playing the flute and still find it amazing that one little blow into the silvery tube can produce such wondrous music. The first time I encountered OSA was as a participant of the interflow camp 2008. Since then, I have joined three external activities organised by the association. It is my honour and pleasure to become a member of this big and warm family.



2430

Jonathan Sim

Baptist Lui Ming Choi Secondary School

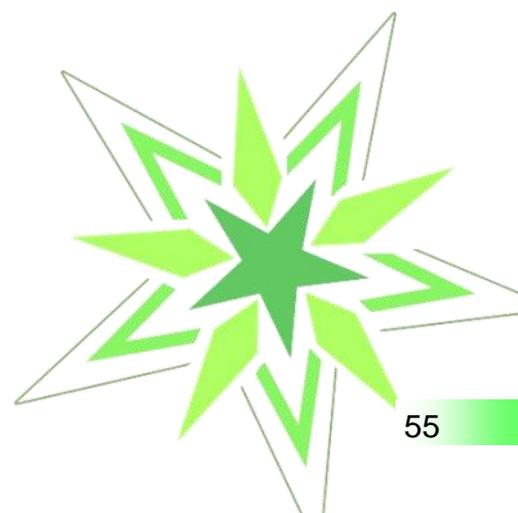
Hi, I'm Jonathan. I love music, I love old English songs and I play quite a lot of instruments. I'm also keen on leisure activities, such as hiking, fishing and cycling. I wish I could go around the world and see what the world is like.



2431

Bianca Shing

Kwun Tong Government Secondary School





The Cubs



2432

Honor Tai

St. Stephen's Girls' College

Greetings! I am Honor Tai, a bookworm and a Form 5 student at St. Stephen's Girls' College. I have never been an adventurous person, never keen on taking up challenges -- which perhaps suggests that deep down in my heart, I never really believed in what I can achieve. Yet, having become an OSAr has indeed transformed me a lot. This new identity somehow gives me the recognition of my abilities and the motivation to try new things. I have now joined other OSAr as one of the coordinators organising several OSA activities. Frankly, my enthusiasm surprises myself a little, but I am happy to see that I am improving day by day to become a person quite different from my old self.



2433

Edison Tam

Queen's College

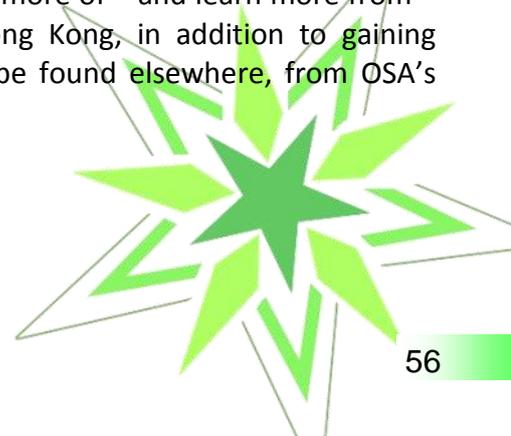


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Vivian Tsang

St. Stephen's Girls' College

Greetings! I am Vivian Tsang from St. Stephen's Girls' College and it is a great honour to be able to join OSA this year. My favorite pastimes are fencing and reading. I also enjoy learning about science and the world. I hope that through OSA I may meet more of – and learn more from – the best students in Hong Kong, in addition to gaining experience that cannot be found elsewhere, from OSA's activities.



The Cubs



2435

Tina Tsang
Belilios Public School

I am a Form 4 girl studying in Belilios Public School. Studying is important, as we are going to face the last CE exam, but learning to relax is essential too. Always have fun and enjoy your life! In my spare time, I love listening to Taiwan pop songs. Angela Chang Shao Han's songs are absolutely my favourites! I am cheerful and like laughing a lot, so feel free to share all kinds of interesting things with me. I look forward to knowing all of you!



2436

Barry Wo
La Salle College

My name is Barry. I love math, which can take me hours a day to ponder upon a problem, and has brought me to many countries through competitions. I am also a Chinese debater and a violinist. When there is free time, I go hiking or fishing with my family or friends. On expectations: I hope I can get to know and work with more wonderful people from all around Hong Kong.



2437

Edgar Wong
King's College

Greetings! I am Edgar Wong, currently a form five student from King's College. It is my great honour to enter the warm family of OSA! Although it has been just a few months since I become an OSAr, I can already feel the enthusiasm of the Executive Committee and senior OSAr, through pools of activities: the orientation day for 24th OSAr, social service projects, mentorship programme and so on, in which I met so many elites and got the chance to know more about the family.

In the future, hope that I can grasp more opportunities to broaden my social network and explore my potentialities.



2438

Ann Wong
St. Rose of Lima's College

Ann means gracious which is what I strive hard to be, most importantly, it's my name. Reading is my favourite pastime and I enjoy talking a lot. I still cannot believe that I deserve such fortune as being one of the OSAr, and I am eager to meet all talented members in the association. I will be most delighted to be one of your wholehearted friends, and I sincerely hope that my entry into the association will grant me friendships.

The Cubs

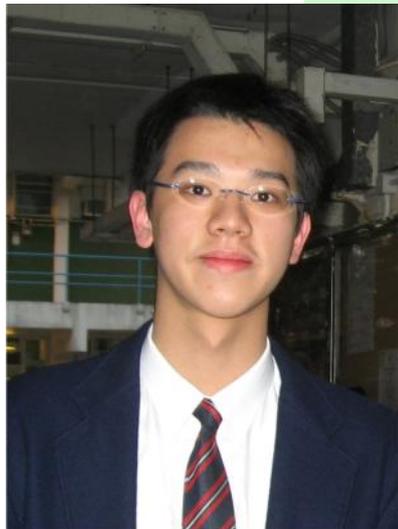


2439

Wong Nga Lai

Madam Lau Kam Lung Secondary School of MFBM

Being a member in the family of HKOSA has always been a surprise for me, even long after when the result was announced. Many of us are glad to meet a lot of new friends from around Hong Kong in HKOSA, which are certainly the feelings of mine! We share common hobbies such as interest in music or passion in mathematics. And I especially hope I can express the world's complete picture, via my camera shot, to the people around me. So as to let us know more, understand more of the bright as well as unfortunate side of life, and to take part in improving the world! Building up friendships in the HKOSA, I hope I can spread this message to further parts on Earth. Let us work together for a better future!



2440

Janus Wong

Diocesan Boys' School

My name is Janus ("J" pronounced as "Y"). I was born on 1st January, which explains how I got my name. Capricious, shy, and at times mischievous, I might be (at first glance) the type of introvert you'd love to hate. However, you'll soon find out that I'm just a *simple* and *juvenile* little boy, and I sincerely hope that I can establish lifelong friendships with you guys (and girls, in case you thought I was a sexist). At times of leisure, I enjoy listening to music and playing mahjong with my close friends.



2441

Timothy Wong

St. Joseph's College

OSA was an unacquainted name to me before I was nominated by the school for the outstanding students' selection. Even though OSA organises lots of functions annually, I have never joined any one of them. That's because I thought I wasn't eligible enough to take part or would be mismatched with the outstanding ones in the past. Therefore, it is really my honour to become one of the OSArS this year. OSA gives recognition to me, and what is most important is that OSA gives me a chance to learn from many other recognised OSArS. OSA now is no longer unfamiliar to me, but an organisation closely related to my daily life. I hope that I can have a greater devotion to OSA and have chances to meet other OSArS in the near future.

The Cubs



2442

Alan Yip

St. Joseph's College

Unlike many OSARs, I had not taken part in any functions organised by OSA before, I was glad to be nominated by the school and finally be given the chance to join this big, warm family. It is my pleasure to meet the other OSARs and I know I can learn a lot from them. OSA now becomes part of my life and its activities often fill up my schedule. Besides this, I am devoted to Chinese debate and club affairs in the school. I also play squash and other sports in leisure time. I am eager to meet other OSARs in the upcoming activities or in other aspects.

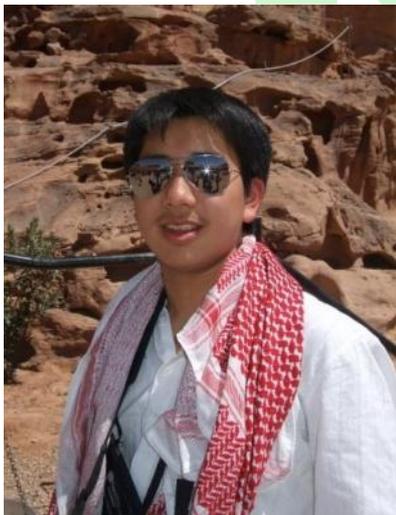


2443

Rachel Yiu

S. K. H. Lam Woo Memorial Secondary School

Greetings to all! I am Rachel Yiu, currently a Form 4 student from SKH Lam Woo Memorial Secondary School. It is a great honour and pleasure to become an OSAR. I love playing the piano, tennis and fishing. As refreshment, I enjoy playing TV games as well! Here, may I wish continuous success of OSA in the coming future!



2444

Adrian Lo

Diocesan Boys' School

Greetings. I am Adrian Lo from Diocesan Boys' School. I am honoured to be part of the big OSA family and the experience over the past two months as an OSAR has been truly amazing. My experience as an OSAR was slightly different compared to my fellow OSARs. My OSAR number, instead of being in the middle of the list, as the alphabetical order would put me, is at the bottom of the list. This happened because I was unable to attend the interview for the OSA Award back in March as I was out of town in a conference in Jordan, and thus was admitted to OSA later than others. This, however, did not affect the great experience I had as an OSAR, meeting great people from various schools and having a wonderful time together. I look forward to meeting more OSARs and participating in more OSA activities in the near future.



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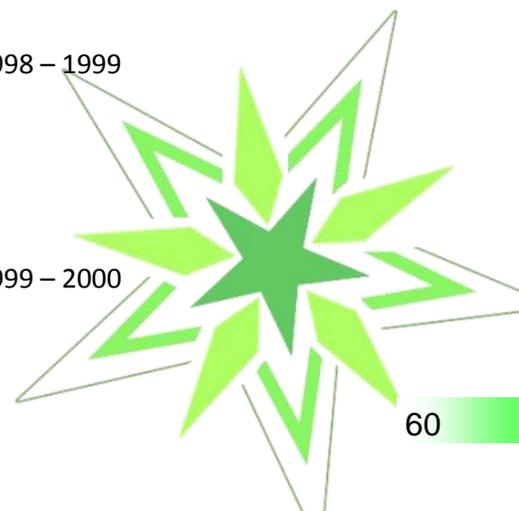
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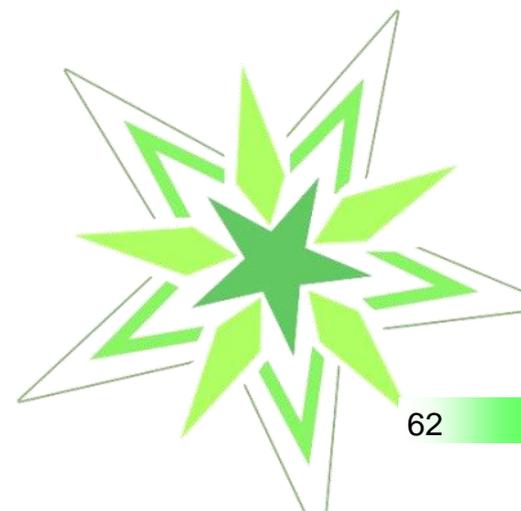
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