

# **Synopsis**

**(2023-2024)**

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Po Leung Kuk Tang Yuk Tien College was founded in 1987, with the donations from Madam Lee King Fan in memory of her late mother, Madam Tang Yuk Tien. We are greatly honoured that Madam Lee's daughter, Dr Pai Ming Chu Pearl, has been an Independent Manager of the Incorporated Management Committee of the school since April, 2014. We are also thankful to have Mr. Tong John Chor Nam, J.P. to be our school's supervisor since April 2020, and Mr Tam Chun Kit Jeffrey, Barrister-at-law to be our Alumni Manager since April, 2023.

The school is an aided secondary school using English as the medium of instruction. It has been striving to provide an all-round education for students and to help them develop their potential to the fullest, explaining why it is highly sought after by parents in the district. It operated 24 classes from Form 1 to Form 6. The enrolment was 717 and the total number of teaching and non-teaching staff was 82 in the last academic year.

## **Academic Achievements**

Our students achieved outstanding results in the HKDSE Examination 2024, especially in English and Chinese Languages. The percentage of students obtaining 332A (which is the minimum requirement of entering JUPAS university in HK) or above was 92.0%. The best individual results went to Li Tsz Ho, who obtained 5 (5\*\*) and 2 (5\*), and 4 students obtained results of 2 (5\*\*) or above. They were all granted the HKDSE Outstanding Achievement Scholarships by Po Leung Kuk. Tsz Ho was also the top scorer among all Po Leung Kuk affiliated secondary schools.

Five high-flyers were admitted by the Faculty of Medicine of CUHK and HKU. What's more, 94.6% of our F.6 graduates were successfully admitted to local universities through JUPAS. Among them, 57.5% enrolled in the big 4 universities, namely HKU, CUHK, HKUST and Poly U.

## **Discipline, Guidance, Career, National Education and Civic Education**

The school has always laid great emphasis on fostering moral values and personality development of students. This year, the focus was placed on helping students to develop a purpose-driven attitude, strengthening students' resilience and fostering students' sense of gratitude. A wide range of programs were held by the committees concerned accordingly.

First and foremost, a strict but fair and efficient system to maintain school discipline was established by the Disciplinary Committee. The Student Award Scheme was held to help students to

be more proactive and strive for self-improvement. This year, a total of 417 awards were granted to students. In addition, 43 conduct awards, 24 service awards, 59 credits and 523 merits were presented while conduct marks were added to the well-behaved students.

Both individual and group counseling services were provided by the Guidance Committee to students with the support of the school social workers and the educational psychologist. The objectives were to identify students in need, to increase the awareness of mental health among students, teachers and parents; and to raise students' anti-adversity ability. We participated in the EDB's "Gratitude, Forgiveness & Happiness Project" this year. Other programs like the BBS Scheme, Mental Health Ambassador Scheme, Project of Healthy Teenagers, F.6 Student-Teacher Mentorship Program, talk on sex education, workshops on time management, workshops on stress management, the Inspiration Camp for F.4 students, Positive Culture Promotion Day, Cheering Day and various preventive mass programs were held to facilitate students' personality growth, foster proper values and help them deal with challenges proactively.

In addition, a Voluntary Service Training Scheme was organized for Form 2 by the Moral and Civic Education Panel. Students were required to provide voluntary services to the elderly living alone and children. The Scheme enabled them to have a better understanding of what happiness means and learn to be thankful for what they had. It also spurred them to take the initiative to show their concern for and render help to the needy and the underprivileged. Besides, as we return to normalcy after the pandemic, the Citizenship and Social Development Panel organized a two-day one-night Mainland study tour for Form 5 students, visiting Guangzhou and Dongguan for historical and cultural studies. This allowed students to understand the latest developments in the country first-hand, enhance their understanding and appreciation of Chinese culture and strengthen their national identity.

Talks, workshops, visits to companies and universities, and participation in university summer programs were promoted by the Careers Committee to help students acquire a much deeper self-understanding and facilitate their goal setting and career mapping. For instance, six F.4 students set up a booth in the New Year Fair organized by Po Leung Kuk Cho Kwai Chee Energetic Youth Club, a group of F.3 to F.4 students participated in the Disney's Hospitality In Practice while another group of F.2 to F.5 students learned the skills of latte art. The Careers and Life Planning Ambassadors helped promote career-related competencies by publishing the Life Planning Magazine. Also, a F.6 student joined the Applied Learning programme, which helped the student explore the career aspirations and orientation for lifelong learning. She achieved 'Attained with Distinction (II)' in the programme.

To further enhance students' understanding of the country and strengthen their sense of national and ethnic identity, various National Education activities were organized. These activities included

flag raising ceremonies and the delivery of speeches under the national flag, Mainland study tours and local field trips, cultural experiential activities, the Chinese Dance Team and the Quiz Team. Additionally, we actively participated in various inter-school and territory-wide National Education activities and competitions.

To sharpen students' sense of responsibility, heighten their sense of national identity and motivate them to behave in a more civilized way, programs like Current Affairs and Cultural Marathon, Environmental Protection Scheme, Bulletin Board Display Competition, Heart-to-Heart Sharing and Thanksgiving Day were organized by the Civic Education Committee.

Besides, a Form Teachers' Guidance Scheme was organized to provide pastoral care for students with special needs. Furthermore, talks, principal-parent conferences, and activities like picnic and short-term interest classes were held by the Parent-Teacher Association.

### **Extra-Curricular Activities**

To nurture students' multiple intelligences, a wide spectrum of extra-curricular activities were run by the Pupils' Association, the 4 Houses, 20 school teams as well as 14 clubs and societies. The school's great effort in developing students' potential has yielded prominent results in various elections and competitions.

#### ***1. Outstanding Students' Achievements***

- (a) In the New Territories Outstanding Students' Awards 2023, Wu Lok Wai was elected as "Top 10 Outstanding Student of New Territories".
- (b) Wong Wang Chi and Tang Chi Chung obtained a Merit Award for the Grand Prize and Scientist & Mathematician categories, respectively, in the "Student of the Year" organized by South China Morning Post.
- (c) Hung Tsz Ching and Li Luo Tong were elected as Outstanding Student (Junior) and Commended Student (Junior), respectively, in the Tuen Mun Outstanding Students' Awards 2024.
- (d) Fu Paak Hung and Luk Hiu Yuet Edna were appointed as Junior Chief Executives of Hong Kong.
- (e) Cheng Tsz Wai and So Chamelli Miyuiki were appointed as Junior Financial Secretaries.
- (f) Tsung Cheuk Fung was appointed as Student Ambassador in the JENESYS Programme (2023).
- (g) Chu Hau Yi was awarded the Outstanding Red Cross Youth of the Year.
- (h) Kwan King Sum and Wu Yik Sum were elected as the Virtuous Student in Junior Form and Senior Form, respectively.

## 2. *Academic Competitions*

- (a) In the International Chemistry Quiz, Leung Lok Hin and Kwok Yuen Ki obtained High Distinction (Full Mark). The school also got 6 High Distinctions, 10 Distinctions and 3 Credits. In the International Biology Olympiad - Hong Kong Contest 2023, Tang Siu Ching won the Gold Award and Li Tsz Ho obtained the Honourable Mention. The school also got 8 Honourable Mentions for School. In the STEM+E Competition 2024 (Entrepreneurship Track), Chan Yik Hei won the Champion, Wong Ho Lam obtained the Second Prize, and Cheung Ka Hei bestowed the Most Valuable Player Award.
- (b) The School Math Team was awarded the Champion (Secondary 3 Group) and the Overall Third Prize (Secondary Group) in the Asia International Mathematical Olympiad Open Contest 2024 (First Round). Additionally, the school representatives attained 9 Gold Awards, 23 Silver Awards, and 4 Bronze Awards. Furthermore, Lin Zoek Lam Jacob obtained the Asian First Prize in the Asian Mathematics Champions League (AMCL) 2024 (Global Preliminary), won the Champion in the Asia Pacific Mathematics Elite Cup 2024, and received the Gold Award in the Hong Kong Mathematics & Math Olympiad Challenge 2024 and the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Mathematics Competition (GHMMC) Global Qualifying Round 2023-24.
- (c) In the World Robot Olympiad 2023 (HK Selection Contest), the School Robotics Team was awarded 3 Champions, and they were eligible to represent Hong Kong in the WRO Panama 2023 International Final. The school representatives obtained 1 Silver Award and 1 Bronze Award. Additionally, the Team won the Champion in Hong Kong Junior Robotics Tournament 2023 Winter. They also won 2 Second Prizes, 1 Third Prize, 2 Gold Awards and 2 Silver Awards in the Robofest 2024 Hong Kong Regional Tournament and obtained 3 Gold Awards and 2 Bronze Awards in the WRO Hong Kong Robot Challenge Winter Season 2024. Furthermore, the Team won 5 First Prizes, 1 Second Prize, 3 Third Prizes in the Hong Kong Robotic Olympiad 2024.
- (d) The School Quiz Team won the Champion in the 7th Inter-school Chinese History Competition, becoming the first secondary school to win the Champion for four consecutive years. In addition, the school team also won the Champion in The Territory-wide Inter-school Constitution Law and Basic Law Quiz Competition 2024. Furthermore, in the 13th Territory-wide Chinese Knowledge Quiz Contest, the representatives got 1 First Prize, 1 Second Prize and 1 Third Prize in individual events.
- (e) In the Hong Kong Tourism Industry Student Summit 2024 Inter-school Project Learning Competition, our school representatives won the Champion.
- (f) In the 2023-2024 Writing Competition for Chinese Secondary School Students (HK Division), Lau Yui Sum attained the Gold Award in the Senior Division.
- (g) Wong Wing Yin won the First Prize in the non-fiction category of "Recruiting Budding

Writers at School" organized by Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups, and her work was published as a book titled "Sparks" by the organizer.

### **3. *Cultural and Arts Competitions***

- (a) In the 60th Hong Kong Schools Dance Festival, the School Modern Dance Team and the School Chinese Dance Team obtained the Second Prize. The School Dance Team attained a total of 7 Honour Awards and 3 Highly Commended Awards. Additionally, in the 38th Tuen Mun Dance Competition, the Modern Dance Team obtained 2 Gold Awards and the Outstanding Dance Art Award in the Modern Dance Open Division. The Chinese Dance Team also obtained the Gold Award in the Oriental Dance Open Division. Furthermore, in the Bauhinia Cup Dance Championships 2024 and the Bauhinia International Dance Grand Prix 2024, the School Modern Dance Team won the Silver Award in the Contemporary Dance (Group Division) in both competitions.  
Besides, Luk Hiu Yuet Edna won the First Prize in the Dance World Cup Asian Cup 2024 (Junior Contemporary Small Group), 3 Gold Awards in the Hong Kong Open Dance Competition (Open Group Contemporary Dance), and 1 First Prize, 1 Second Prize, and 2 Third Prizes in the 25th Asia Pacific Dance Competition.
- (b) The Chinese Debating Team won the Champion in the 2nd Tuen Mun-Yuen Long Inter-School Debating League, and obtained the Most Improved School Award in the 39th Sing Tao Inter-School Debating Competition (Chinese). Besides, the English Debating Team won the Champion in the Hong Kong Secondary Schools Debating Competition and the team also obtained 4 awards including the School Spirit Award in See Change Inter-School Model UN Conference (SCMUN) 2023.
- (c) In the 74th Hong Kong Schools Speech Festival, the school won altogether 3 First Prizes, 1 Second Prize and 2 Third Prizes in English Verse Speaking Competition, while 5 First Prizes, 4 Second Prizes and 3 Third Prizes were obtained in the Chinese & Putonghua Verse and Prose Speaking Competitions.
- (d) In the Joint School Music Competition 2024, our School Choir won the Gold Award in the Secondary School Junior Choir category, and our School Orchestra obtained the Bronze Award in the Secondary School Orchestra category. In the 76th Hong Kong Schools Music Festival, the School Choir obtained 1 Silver Award, the School Orchestra obtained 1 Bronze Award, and the School A Cappella Team obtained 1 Silver Award and 1 Bronze Award. Notably, Chan Sin Ching won 3 Champions in the competition. Besides, Tong Tsz Him achieved the following: Champion in the 3rd International Children Music Competition 2023 (Secondary School Orchestral Division), Violin Champion in the Inter-School International Performance Challenge 2023, Champion in the 5th Teenagers & Kids Music Contest 2023 (Secondary School Orchestral Division),

and a Gold Award in the International Children and Youth Violin Competition 2023.

- (e) In the Hong Kong School Drama Festival, the School Drama Team won 6 awards, namely, Outstanding Script, Outstanding Director, Outstanding Performer, Outstanding Stage Effect, Outstanding Cooperation, and Award for Commendable Overall Performance.
- (f) Wong Sum Yu received the Gold Award in the Exhibition of Student Visual Arts Work 2023/24. Additionally, So Yi and Zheng Chu Chu Lisa attained the Second Prize and Third Prize, respectively, in the My Dream Home Poster Design Contest.

#### **4. *Sports Competitions***

- (a) In the Inter-School Table Tennis Competition 2023-2024, the school team got the Second Prize in Girls Grade A. In the Inter-School Badminton Competition 2023-2024, the school team got the Second Prize in Girls Grade A. Besides, in the Hong Kong Annual Youth Championship, Lo Sum Yee obtained the Second Prize in Women's Doubles Group 05-06, and the Third Prize in Women's Single Group 05-06.
- (b) The School Rope Skipping Team got the Overall Third Prize in both the Boys and Girls team categories in the 2nd JRM Community Rope Skipping Competition. The team won a total of 3 Champions, 6 Second Prizes, and 4 Third Prizes. Besides, in the Yan Oi Tong Rope Skipping Competition 2023, Ku Wing Yu won the Overall Champion in the 12-13 girls' category, and obtained 3 Champions and 1 Second Prize.
- (c) Ho Wing Yee won 1 Champion and 1 Second Prize in the Po Leung Kuk Affiliated Secondary Schools Joint Swimming Gala. She also won 1 Champion and 1 Second Prize in the HKSSF Tuen Mun Inter-School Swimming Competition, in which the School Swimming Team obtained a total of 1 Champion, 1 Second Prize, and 2 Third Prizes. Additionally, the School Athletics Team won 1 Champion, 1 Second Prize, and 2 Third Prizes in the Po Leung Kuk Affiliated Secondary Schools Joint Athletics Meet and obtained 2 Second Prizes and 2 Third Prizes in the Tuen Mun Inter-school Athletics Championships. Notably, Lau Cheuk Lam won 1 Champion and 1 Second Prize in the shot-put events in both competitions.
- (d) Wong Cheuk Yin won the Champion in Individual Group B (Guangxi), Champion in Group Poomsae (Guangxi) and Champion in Individual Poomsae Finals in the China National Taekwondo Poomsae Championship 2023.
- (e) Lo Sum Yee won the Grantham Outstanding Student Athletes Awards 2023-24, while Yu Hon Ki won the AS Watson Group HK Student Sports Awards.

In order to bring positive energy to society, our student volunteers continued to participate in the “Elder Academy” during this academic year by providing free interest classes, such as Flower Arrangement and Leathercrafting, to the elders in our community. In the Tuen Mun Volunteers Award Scheme 2023, 4 students received the Caring Volunteer award. In the 4C Youth Volunteer Leader Scheme 2023/24, Lau Yuk To and Tang Wing Ka received the Outstanding Youth Volunteer Leader Award and the Certificates of Recognition (Leadership), and 10 students attained the Certificates of Recognition. Additionally, our school has continued the Volunteer Service Awards Scheme this year to recognize students who have been actively serving the community. This year, a total of 174 students received the awards, including 7 Diamond Award, 15 Gold Awards, 30 Silver Awards, and 122 Bronze Awards.

### **Sister School Scheme**

The Sister School Scheme has served as a platform for professional exchange and cooperation between our school and our sister schools in the Mainland, i.e. Changzhou Beijiao High School, Nanjing No.29 High School, and Shaoguan Zhang Jiuling Memorial High School. With effect from the 2023-24 school year, a recurrent grant was provided by EDB to enhance the sister school exchange activities. Through professional exchanges among school leaders and teachers, we aim to facilitate ongoing development, external relations, and the expansion of our school network. Additionally, students can deepen their understanding of national development and enrich their learning experiences through visits, experiences, and cultural exchanges.

In January 2024, the Sister School Exchange Tour to Jiangsu for F.4-5 students was organized. Through participating in lessons with Mainland students and engaging in cultural, arts and sports activities, students can broaden their horizons and foster friendships. Additionally, Jiangsu students guided our students on a city tour and together they attended the Lantern Festival, deepening their understanding of Chinese history and culture.

### **Conclusion**

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the unfailing support given by Po Leung Kuk, the Education Bureau, Madam Lee King Fan, alumni and parents, for helping the school to transform its mission into reality. Their support is evident. We are truly thankful for the scholarships granted by Po Leung Kuk in recognition of students’ outstanding achievements in HKDSE Examination and extra-curricular activities.

Looking ahead and feeling proud of our traditions, we will continue to strive for the best for our students and endeavor to scale new heights in the years to come.