

# Highgate House School—Monthly Note

March 2014



## **Creative Activities**

Our Creative Activities extended day programme (12 - 2.30pm) on Tuesdays & Thursdays (for children aged 2 ½ upwards) is now running. These classes are a great opportunity to allow your child the chance to experiment with creative materials in a smaller group setting. We gently encourage the children to work with a variety of projects both short and long term and ensure that they build confidence in their artistic ability. The classes are relaxed and fun with the chance for children to also experience a sociable lunch with children from different classes. If you are interested in having your child join this group please contact the school office on 2849 6336.



## **Outings**

The picnic outing for the Nursery, Bilingual and Parent/Carer & Child will be rescheduled to Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March. We are keeping our fingers crossed for better weather!

The kindergarten classes had an outing on Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup> to Tai Tong Organic Ecopark in Yuen Long, New Territories. It was a family affair with parents and some siblings joining in. Luckily, although there was a chill in the air, the rain held off and to our pleasant surprise, even after weeks of cold weather the strawberries were ripe for picking (and eating). There were horses to feed, a pony to ride, goats, rabbits, oxen, and cows. There was a leveled rope jungle gym which was challenging and very popular. The morning was rounded off with a lovely picnic on the great lawn, where, after lunch, parents could chat and relax and children could climb the hills and play.

## **Easter**

Your child's teacher will give you details of how they will be celebrating Easter. The last day of school is on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April. School will begin again on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April.

## May Day

A reminder that the May Day festival will be held at Victoria Peak Gardens on the Peak on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Please mark this date in your diary. A letter with more details will be emailed out soon.



## Autumn Term 2014

For the Nursery, Bilingual and Kindergarten classes, please note that 31<sup>st</sup> March is officially the deadline for giving written notice if you intend for your child not to return to Highgate House School for the Autumn Term 2014. Please be aware that failure to give sufficient notice may render the Autumn term fee payable in full and result in the forfeiture of the fee deposit.

## Supervised Lunch

The lobby area outside the lift is designated for use as a waiting area only for parents, carers and children before classes. Increasingly it is being used as a lunch/eating area for both adults and children throughout the day and we must emphasise this is not a suitable place to eat. We ask that food no longer be consumed in this area. Please also note that food should not be consumed anywhere on the staircase leading up to the lobby. Please inform your helpers of this policy which is for both health and safety reasons and thank you for your cooperation.

If your child needs to eat lunch before or after a session they must eat either off the school premises or in school in a classroom at the table where we can offer a supervised lunch session with a teacher. We can offer the following between 12.10 and 1.00pm (for children aged 2 1/2 up) if you require your child to eat before going home or before starting an afternoon session.

A minimum of 2 days per week, with a monthly commitment

Fees: 2 days – \$380  
3 days – \$570  
4 days – \$760  
5 days – \$950



## Dates to Remember

Last day before Easter  
First day after Easter  
Public Holiday  
May Day  
Public Holiday

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May