



Wah Yanites

ANNOUNCEMENTS

56th Annual General Meeting

By Ashley Cheng ('80)

You are cordially invited to attend the 56th Annual General Meeting of the Wah Yan (Hong Kong) Past Students Association:

Date: 6:30 p.m., 30 June 2025 (Monday)

Venue: The Chinese Club, 14/F, 21 Connaught Road, Central Hong Kong.

There will be a dinner gathering after the Annual General Meeting at 7:30 p.m. and please contact **Justin Kwok** on **9277-4138** or **Adrian Hon** at **9306-8255** for details.

Relive Your Wah Yan Journey: A Nostalgic Monopoly Adventure Through School Memories

By Patrick Ho ('00)

The WYHKPSA, in collaboration with Pun U Association Wah Yan Primary School Alumni Association, is thrilled to announce the launch of a bespoke 'Wah Yan Monopoly' board game. Embark on a journey from primary school entry to college graduation and relive your Wah Yan memories while enjoying a delightful gaming experience! Featuring memorable spots from the two schools, the game cards are filled with various school memories, allowing everyone to revisit their school days. Stay tuned for sales details or check out the PSA's online store for updates. Please note that stocks are limited, and orders are currently available for delivery to Hong Kong addresses only.



WYCHK 105th Anniversary Dinner

By Adrian Hon ('01)

On February 15, 2025, the WYCHK 105th Anniversary Dinner, themed "A Celebration of Legacy and Brotherhood", was held at the Hopewell Hotel Grand Ballroom, bringing together over 1,300 participants across 105 tables. It was a memorable evening filled with the presence of our esteemed fathers, alumni, current and retired staff, and distinguished guests.

The night commenced with a warm welcome from WYPSA President, Mr. Nelson Ng. This was followed by updates on Wah Yan's current development shared by School Supervisor, Fr. Alan Wong, S.J., and School Principal, Dr. Davis Chan, who reaffirmed the critical role alumni play in supporting the School Advancement Plan. The dinner officially began after Cardinal Stephen Chow, S.J., led a prayer, setting the tone for an evening of unity and celebration.

Dr. Y. L. So, Director of the Centre of Jesuit Education, Chinese Province, Society of Jesus, then delivered an insightful sharing on modern Jesuit education, offering valuable perspectives on the evolving academic landscape. His speech was followed by

the introduction of WYPSA interest groups and fraternities, led by Chairman, Mr. Derek Lee, with the goal of encouraging greater alumni engagement in WYPSA activities.

A stirring performance by the Alumni Choir brought the room together with a heartfelt rendition of the school song, followed by spectacular musical performances from talented student musicians, including Lee Paak Yu Jethew, Chan Cho Chak, Chan Cho Nam, Wong Waai Lok Wesley, and Chiu Cheung Chi Ken. As the night progressed, student leaders took centre stage, igniting the energy in the ballroom with spirited Wah Yan cheers, creating a moment of electrifying unity among attendees.

A special note of gratitude goes to Sir Gordon Wu and the Hopewell Hotel for their generous support in providing the venue and outstanding service for this grand occasion. Additionally, we would like to extend a heartfelt appreciation to our class representatives whose dedication and efforts made this truly unforgettable evening possible.



ACTIVITIES

Initiating Innovation Fraternity of Wah Yan Alumni

By Jeff Au ('89)

It's meaningful to form an Innovation Fraternity in Wah Yan Family due to the existence of a wide spectrum of Wah Yan innovation workers and entrepreneurs. The group consists of individuals from tech innovation to social innovation, biotech to communication technology, and from investors to entrepreneurs. This diversity enriches our learning from each other and allows us to view the world from a holistic perspective.

Brothers from the field can support each other, sharing the joy and challenges of our work. Together, we engage in meaningful dialogue and expand our knowledge in conceptual, technical and managerial aspects. Supporting and inspiring startup entrepreneurs as well as matching them with investors for growth are one of our key goals to achieve. We are also committed to coaching young boys and students, providing valuable advice and insights for career planning and future development.

Over 40 alumni from WYHK and WYK showed up and supported our inaugural gathering. The event was filled with the joy of sharing our backgrounds, exchanging industry stories, and integrating our experience with innovative approaches. All this brings us solidarity, fulfillment and energy.

A core group has been established to manage the fraternity and organize future events. Please contact Jeff Au ('89), Anthony Kwan ('71), Justin Kwok ('98) and Louis Cheung ('18) with any ideas and contributions. Join us in co-building the group.



A Great Night for Joint-School Real Estate Networking!

By Justin Kwok ('98)



We're delighted to share the vibrant success of the Joint-School Real Estate Alumni Networking Party co-hosted by Wah Yan Real Estate Fraternity and LSCOBAs on 15 April 2025. The event attracted over 40 passionate real estate professionals and enthusiasts for an evening

of engaging conversations, warm reconstructions, and an atmosphere filled with synergy and Wah Yan brotherhood. It offered a fantastic networking opportunity, highlighted by a spirited beer pong competition that broke the ice and revealed the playful side of many attendees. The casual vibe together with professional camaraderie created a memorable experience that we hope to carry forward in future events.

Founded in 2019, the Wah Yan Real Estate Fraternity has steadily grown recruit more than 200 alumni from both Wah Yan Hong Kong and Wah Yan Kowloon. What began as a casual gathering of like-minded Wahyanites has evolved into a thriving professional community that promotes knowledge exchange, career development, and meaningful friendships within the real estate sector.

In addition to organizing internal networking events and knowledge-sharing sessions, the fraternity has made significant strides in building connections with other alumni communities. This recent joint-school gathering is part of our ongoing effort to engage with alumni from other prestigious schools and foster cross-school collaboration and unity within the industry. A heartfelt thank you to all who attended and energized the event with your presence. Your continued support will strengthen our fraternity.

WYHK x MSS Joint School Careers Fair 2025

By Wallace Wong ('19)

On 8 May, we welcomed back alumni from Wah Yan and Marymount for our annual joint-school Careers Fair held at Wah Yan College, Hong Kong. All Secondary 5 students from both schools took part in interest-based small group sessions, exploring fields including medicine, law, AI, blockchain, finance, engineering, and media. The event offered students the chance to gain firsthand insights into career journeys, challenges, and opportunities from those who have walked the path before them.

Thank you to all the alumni who returned to generously share their insights with the next generation. Their encouragement and guidance provided students with clarity about the future, reminding us of the strength of our supportive community. Special thanks should go to the school principals: Dr. Davis Chan (WYHK) and Mr. Kyle Chan (MSS), teachers: Mr. Tommy Fan (WYHK), Ms. Yvonne Wong (MSS), and Ms. Caroline Li (MSS), and the alumni from Wah Yan and Marymount who worked behind the scenes to make this event possible.



WYPSA Pickleball Club – Unites Wahyanites through sport, legacy, and shared passion

By Silas Chan ('85)

Established on January 3, 2025, the WYPSA Pickleball Club proudly hosted its inaugural "Pickleball Fun Day" on March 29, 2025, at WYHK. This event marked a milestone in our mission to connect Wahyanites through the dynamic sport of pickleball, fostering camaraderie and healthy competition across generations.

Over 50 alumni, students and parents from WYHK gathered together to form a community platform centered on pickleball. The Kick-off Ceremony, attended by leaders of WYHK, WYK, and PUWY, alongside PSA/AA, PTA/PA chairs and WYOFF, marked a moment of harmony. Activities ranged from beginner-friendly clinics to a standout intergenerational doubles match—a vivid demonstration of pickleball's power to unite people.

By the end of April, over 100 members had joined the WYPSA Pickleball Club. We are committed to hosting meetups and organizing training sessions, tournaments, and social events. Together, let's keep the rally alive!

Join our WhatsApp Group or contact Silas at 9141-3198 for details.

WhatsApp Group



Chairman's Column

Dear all Wah Yan brothers,

It has been a tremendous honor for me to work with all the Wahyanites in the past year! I would like to thank my fellow council brothers, past presidents and advisors for their unwavering support and dedication to PSA anytime, anywhere. In addition, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all who have shown their support to the PSA and the School, and the participation and support of current students in different occasions.

This year has been a particularly important year as we celebrate our School's 105th Anniversary. In conjunction with the centennial celebration of our brother school, Wah Yan College Kowloon (WYK), we hosted a series of events to connect alumni from different years and locations. We kicked off with the Wah Yan International Conference/Reunion in December, co-hosted with WYK. We invited members from different chapters around the globe to share their insights, especially since the last Conference was held virtually. The event concluded on a high note with WYK's Centennial Dinner.

With strong support from alumni across all years and the relentless effort of the Organizing Committee, we successfully hosted a 105-table celebration dinner for our alma mater's 105th anniversary, coinciding with the school's "Back to School" Day in Feb 2025. We would like to extend special thanks to the school for assisting in creating souvenirs for the event, and to Sir Gordon Wu for his generous sponsorship and flexibility in venue choices, even with a short notice period.

We take pride in offering a wide range of interest groups that cater to the diverse passions and hobbies of our members. These include the Football Club, Golf Club, Junior Alumni Council, Table Tennis Club, Wah Yan Alumni Choir, Wah Yan Sailors, and Wine & Dine Club. Through these groups, our members can engage in activities they love and connect with fellow alumni

who share similar interests. Moreover, the establishment of fraternities in collaboration with WYKPSA, namely the Finance Fraternity, Legal Fraternity, Medical Fraternity, and Real Estate Fraternity, has further strengthened the bonding and networks among Wahyanites working in the same industries. In addition to these interest groups and fraternities, dedicated alumni have launched the Construction Fraternity, Innovation Fraternity, Wah Yan Rugby, and Pickleball Club over the past year. We would like to thank the convenors of all these groups for their time and effort.

To enhance the connection between our alumni and current students, we have established a Mentorship Program in collaboration with Marymount Secondary School. This program offers career fairs, workshops, and internship attachments, providing students with valuable insights into various industries while receiving guidance from our esteemed alumni. We are also delighted to announce that two student ambassadors will represent PSA to visit our alumni in the United States this summer. This visit, made possible by generous subsidies from the PSA and the warm hospitality of our overseas chapter, promises to be a memorable and enriching experience for everyone involved.

As this year's council draws to a close, our council brothers remain committed to serving the PSA and upholding our spirit of "Men for and with Others". May I ask for your continuous support and contributions, which have shaped the success of our Wah Yan family and will continue to inspire future endeavors. Looking forward to seeing you in upcoming PSA events!

Warmest regards,

Lee Ho Yin Derek ('01)
Chairman, WYHKPSA (2024-25)



Mission H³



Facility Upgrades

Principal's Column

Dear Wahyanites,

As we approach the end of another remarkable school year, I am filled with gratitude reflecting on the milestones we have achieved together. This year holds special significance as we celebrated Wah Yan College, Hong Kong's 105th anniversary—a testament to our enduring legacy and a springboard into our second century of quality education.

The highlight of our anniversary was the Back to School Day cum Fun Fair on 15 February 2025, where generations of Wahyanites and retired principals and teachers reunited under the roof of our beloved school. The joyous laughter echoing through classrooms, the shared stories between past students and current students, and the rekindling of bonds with legendary retired principals and teachers reminded us all why Wah Yan remains a "human" place—a community united by shared values and memories. Special appreciation goes to our Past Students Association, which organized the 105th Anniversary Dinner at Hopewell Hotel that evening, which further solidified this spirit and left numerous memories among members of the Wah Yan community. On behalf of the school, I would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your support of these events.

At the 105th Anniversary Dinner and subsequent Reports Day and School Assembly, we proudly unveiled **Mission H³**—our strategic blueprint for the College's next century, anchored in **Heritage, Hope, and Humanity**. Developed through extensive spiritual conversations, meetings, and collaborative discernment over the past year with the Jesuit Education Board, IMC members, staff, alumni, parents, and current students, Mission H³ embodies our shared vision for the future of Wah Yan education. This roadmap not only honors our storied legacy but also charts a transformative course, ensuring we continue to serve as a beacon of Jesuit education in a rapidly evolving world.

Guided by the 3 Hs, our advancement plan prioritizes three key areas:

- **Enhancing School Administration:** Streamlining processes to foster efficiency, effectiveness, and compliance in operations, leaving space for teachers to accompany students
- **Advancing Teaching & Learning:** Deepening our commitment to the Ignatian Pedagogical Paradigm (IPP) to nurture self-directed learning, reflection, and holistic growth
- **Upgrading Facilities:** Modernizing campus infrastructure to support advanced learning and humanity formation, including renovations to classrooms, labs, sports facilities, and communal spaces

We invite you to join us in bringing this vision to life. Your support—whether through expertise, advocacy, or philanthropy—will directly contribute to shaping Wah Yan's second century. Please visit our website to learn more about **Mission H³** or explore ways to assist with facility upgrades.

This school year has been another fruitful one for Wah Yan, marked not only by our 105th anniversary celebrations but also by our unwavering commitment to Magis—the pursuit of "more, better, and greater" for the greater good, allowing the God-given talents of our students to flourish fully. We have striven to provide rich, diverse opportunities for students to discover and nurture their talents through a harmonious blend of cherished traditions and innovative programs, spanning sports, music, debating, chess, the Christmas Ball, the High Table Dinner, and more.

Our athletics team secured third runner-up in the Division One Interschool Competition, while the orienteering team achieved a historic Grand Slam, triumphing in all A, B, and C grade categories. Among the highlights was the revival of a beloved tradition on Teachers' Day (17 February). F.6 students led classes for junior forms, allowing teachers to recharge while seniors gained profound appreciation for educators' dedication—a testament to the courage and commitment of our F.6 students in reviving this cherished Wah Yan tradition.

As our F.6 graduates conclude their HKDSE examinations, many of them have embarked on transformative journeys: the reflective Magis Lantau and the service-oriented Magis Philippines Trip, where students visit Jesuit communities in the Philippines to engage in service and uplift marginalized groups. These experiences, steeped in Ignatian values, continue to shape generations of Wahyanites into compassionate, globally minded citizens.

Adding to these achievements, the inaugural Grant Schools Student Leaders Conference was held at our College on 11 November 2024. Over 60 students from 20 Grant Schools gathered for lunch in our newly renovated Canteen cum Innovators' Hub, followed by meaningful discussions to explore long-term collaborative opportunities between these prestigious schools, which share common missions and histories across Hong Kong.

Looking ahead, we invite you to the 105th Anniversary Concert at City Hall, a finale to our celebrations. Ticket details will be announced shortly, and I eagerly anticipate seeing you there.

Together, let us champion Mission H³ as we advance into Wah Yan's second century. Your steadfast support ensures that our College remains a beacon of Heritage, Hope, and Humanity, delivering transformative education for generations to come—Ad maiorem Dei gloriam.

God bless,
Dr. Davis Chan
Principal
Wah Yan College, Hong Kong

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