



# October and November Newsletter

Look at all the fabulous lanterns!



Dear Parents,

Welcome to the month of October! We had a fabulous Mid Autumn Celebration at school! Our children brought in their lanterns made from recycled materials at home with great pride and also brought some festive food to share in class. We enjoyed seeing all the lovely collaborative creations and thank you for all your participation in making this a happy and exciting event for everyone.

Each year level is now well into their first unit of inquiry. It has been exciting to see the children so actively engaging in different activities in school.

The UKG and LKG are inquiring into the unit 'Diversities'. They are learning about the history, culture, food, language, art and music of the countries that represented in their class, as well as their responsibilities toward each other.

The Nursery children are learning about the 'Community'. They are going around the school to observe and interview people in our school community to find out what their roles and responsibilities are.

Our Pre-Nursery children are inquiring into the unit 'All About Me'. They have really enjoyed looking at their own and others' baby photos.

They have realised that they are not babies anymore and now they are big children attending school by themselves. They seem very proud of this huge step!

Our playgroup children and parents are always having lots of fun in their classes exploring and playing in different learning areas. We can hear their singing and laughing coming from the classrooms!

There is plenty more to share from each class. I hope you all enjoy reading the weekly updates from your child's class teachers, and playgroup parents enjoy their time looking at some activity photos uploaded on the Playgroup Facebook page.

Our school organises different Parenting Workshops throughout the school year for both PIPS and Non-PIPS parents. You are cordially invited to join the forthcoming Parenting Workshops by Cora Ha on 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 at our Music Room from 8:45am to 9:45am.

More activities will be coming up in the following two months such as Dress Causal Day, Diwali, Character day and the Family Outing, we hope you can join us.

Best regards,  
Mary Scarborough  
Principal

School Website : [www.pips.edu.hk](http://www.pips.edu.hk)

Please take some time to browse through our school website as lots of updated information and notices have been uploaded there.

You can also follow us on Facebook to find out more about our school. Here is the link and QR code.

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# What is coming up in October and November ?

Please mark down all the special events in your diary.

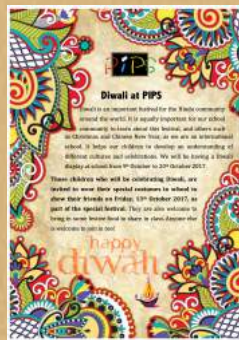


## Dress Casual Day

We would like to invite you and your child to take part in the Community Chest Dress Casual Day on **Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017**. Children can dress in casual clothes to come to school and donate \$50 or more to support the Community Chest which raises funds for a variety of charities within Hong Kong. All donations will be passed on in full to benefit the social welfare agencies supported by the Community Chest of Hong Kong.

## Diwali at PIPS

We will be having a Diwali display at school from 9<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> October. Those children who will be celebrating Diwali, are invited to wear their special costumes to school to show their friends on **Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017**, as part of the special festival. They are also welcome to bring festive food to share in class. Anyone else is welcome to join in too!



## Character Day



We have planned a Character Day on Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017. All children and teachers can dress up as their favourite character on this special day to trick or treat.



## Playgroup Family Outing to Gold Coast Beach



2 days Playgroup will be scheduled on **Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017** and 3 days Playgroup will be on **Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017** to Tuen Mun Gold Coast Beach.

## PN-KG Family Outing to Jordan Valley Park

This year, we will be going to Jordan Valley Park on **Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017**. For details about the PN-KG family outing, please refer to the notice that we will send out.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Parent and Teacher Conference for PN to KG classes

You are invited to come and meet your child's teachers on **Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017** to discuss your child's progress. Please come at the scheduled time on the notice. Each meeting will last for 15 minutes. Please note that the meeting is for parents ONLY, so your child should not be present. **Please note that playgroup classes will continue as normal on the day.** Fields Books will be selling a variety of English and Chinese children's books in our foyer as usual on that day.

## School and Public Holidays

### 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017

The Day Following National Day (Public Holiday)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Mid Term Break - All classes will resume on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017

### 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017

The Day Following Mid-Autumn Festival

### 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Professional Development Days (No School)



# Professional Development Day

## 29<sup>th</sup> September 2017



On this day, PIPS HK and KLN teachers gathered together to extend their learning about the importance, benefits and skills developed through dough and small world play. We are sure the children will love exploring and interacting with the new ideas and activities the teachers will create based on the information on this training

