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Greetings Alumni! As you know this year's our 10th School Anniversary, various activities were held in the previous term and there will be more events in the upcoming term!





9th Athletic Meet

The 9th Athletic Meet was successfully held on December 10 and 11, 2015 at the Joint Sports Centre. The atmosphere was fantastic with the dedication of all students, athletes and chamber committees, and the competitions were exciting. In the teacher-student relay, it was the first time that our alumni joined this event!

The results of the 9th Athletic Meet are as follows:

Overall 2nd Runner-up: Aristotle Overall 1st Runner-up: **Da Vinci** Overall Champion: **Columbus** Cheerleading Competition: **Da Vinci** Most Participation Award: **Columbus**

Congratulations to the winning athletes and Chambers! We are looking forward to your support and participations in the future school events!



Christmas Celebration and Christmas Ball

This year, lots of alumni came back to join our celebration! As usual, students had their class parties and the hymn-singing competition on that day, while G12 students held their last school assembly. Though they were working very hard for their mock assessments and DSE, still they prepared a sweet and unforgettable Farewell Assembly. Wish them all the best and never hesitate to give them a hand whenever they ask for your help!

In the evening, the Student Union, Phoenix, organised the annual Christmas Ball with the theme "When dreams come true". Students and alumni dressed elegantly and enjoyed an amazing night.



Opening Ceremony of Madam Wong Liu Wai Man Building

Our new academic & multi-purpose annex, Madam Wong Liu Wai Man Building, was completed in December 2015. The building is composed of Gymnasium, Fitness Centre, Sky Track, Black Box Theatre, Visual Arts Studio & Gallery, Outdoor Basketball Court and various classrooms.

On January 15, 2016, over 200 guests, parents, teachers and students witnessed the Plaque Unveiling Ceremony, and some alumni attended the event as well.



Our 10th Anniversary Dinner

After the opening ceremony, the school organised the 10th Anniversary Dinner. There were various performances prepared by both secondary and primary students, and one of the highlights was the parent-teacher hymn singing performance.

Besides, several graduates (2012: Jimmy Hui & Herman Hui; 2013: Cherrie Tai; 2014: Chloe Leung; 2015: Cheung Tsz Ching & Elma Fong) attended the dinner and gave a sharing. They thanked the school for providing them opportunities to develop on their interests and talents as well as broaden their horizons through different activities. All the guests, alumni, parents, teachers and students enjoyed the event.



PROMOTIONS

Let's join A-School's 10th Anniversary Variety Show!

We are going to hold the 10th Anniversary Variety Show on May 7, 2016 at HKBU AC Hall. This year, we are going to have various music performances and the musical "The Wizard of Oz".

"The Wizard of Oz" is about a girl called Dorothy who is swept away to a magical land in a tornado and embarks on a quest to see the Waizard who can help her return home.

Each ticket costs \$200. If you are interested, please feel free to contact Miss Sherene Nee at 2637 2270 during office hours or via <u>ss-</u>



<u>alumni@hkbuas.edu.hk</u>. We look forward to seeing you in the variety show. Let's fill up the AC Hall!!!

10th Annivesary Souvenirs - Celebration Series

We are going to launch the second batch of 10th Anniversary souvenirs, including **umbrellas**, **badges**, **dolls**, **and USB drives**.

Order details for alumni will be announced in due course. Please feel free to contact Miss Sherene Nee at 2637 2270 or via <u>ss-alumni@hkbuas.edu.hk</u>. Stay tuned!

The Very First Homecoming Dinner of A-School

To celebrate our school's 10th Anniversary and reunite the alumni, we are going to organise a homecoming dinner on JUly 9, 2016 from 5:30 to 8:30pm at our Indoor

Gymnasium of New Annex. Sports activities, dinner buffet and the inauguration ceremony of Alumni Association will be arranged. Please feel free to contact Miss Sherene Nee at 2637 2270 or via ss-alumni@hkbuas.edu.hk. Stay tuned and see you soon!!!

ALUMNI UPDATES AND SHARING

Sports Achievements

Our alumni, **Lee Chun Ting Adrian** and **Leung Hiu Sum Chloe** demonstrated their talents in sports and were selected to represent Hong Kong to participate in World Events. Recently, both achieved remarkable results in their respective fields. Adrian, the representative of Hong Kong Windsurfing Team, won the Silver Award in the group of RS: X Men in 2015 Asian



Windsurfing Championships, while at the same time won the Champion in the category of Espoir Men under 22 and Second Place in the group of Men in RS:ONE World Championships. He was crowned the **Hong Kong Most Promising Sports Stars Award** in "**Samsung 2015 Hong Kong Sports Stars Awards**".Chloe, the representative of the Hong Kong Rowing Team, took part in Asian Rowing Champions and her team finally ranked the Third among 23 participating regions.

Congratulations to Adrian and Chloe, and we are definitely looking forward to hear more good news and achievements from our alumni!

Updating the Alumni Database

Time flies, many of you are graduating from universities. Some of you continue your study paths while some start your career paths!

The school would like to update the Alumni Database in order to keep in touch with you all. Please kindly click the link below and fill in the form. Thanks for your help!

HKBUAS Alumni Database Update



Sharing from our Alumni

Lai Chun Ning, Lawrence (2013)

Joining different societies' activities, participating various case competitions, going to lectures that you can skip anytime you like and living in halls with new friends but not your family. After DSE, I start to live a completely different life in university. I won't say I'm academically productive but every day is fruitful and amazing to me. For example, I practise softball every Tuesday and Thursday and have debate training on Wednesday. Not to mention the friendly matches and social gatherings at the weekends. I almost thought my 4 years uni life would be just like that. But it's not.

Stepping into year 2, I start to wonder what I really want from my university life and what I'm going to do after graduating. It turns out that I don't understand what people actually do in my subject. For example, I study actuary, which consist of lots of statistics and maths, but I am not sure if it's the case when comes to workplace. In addition, I always think my programme is boring and dull, would it be the same in work? There's a bunch of questions I have towards my future and I'm so confused about how or what I should do.

I would say it's a rather reckless decision but I decided to take a gap year in between year 2 and 3. I have worked in Prudential for the first half and now I'm working in HSBC. I work for actuarial department for both jobs so as to know more about the industry I'm going to work in, if I do not change the career field in the future. Many friends always ask me how this gap year goes. But to be honest it's nothing special and exciting because I'm not traveling the world. I just work like everyone else in HK, wearing suit and work from nine to six every day. What might be a bit different is that I will calculate numbers like TVOG, COG and BEL that I bet you don't bother to understand...

Despite my existing confusion, I did learn a lot no matter in my own industry or workplace. Most importantly, the taste of adult life forces me to think more about myself and what I want when I graduate. I guess it's not a bad idea to take a gap year after all!



Cham Hok Yan, Phoebe (2012)

Here comes to my final year in UCLA. I can't tell how excited I am to graduate this coming June. This year has been a crazy year for me to join the Hong Kong Student Society as an Eboard member. We work as a team and support each other like a family. Throughout the year, we have organised clubbing events, singing contest, night market, etc. This is a truly humbling experience to me in uni life and I also gain a lasting friendship. Without them, my uni life won't be that wonderful.

People usually travel around during term breaks and so do I. I went to Chicago, New York City, Orlando and my new trip is going to Alaska. I really love exploring while studying in US. This is the best thing you can do while studying aboard. In addition, I also love to take road trip with my friends. It is really cool to drive 8-10 hours to new places. Many of the places I decided to go were National Parks. Those views were stunning and you won't believe what you saw. I am planning to explore more before I head back to my hometown.

School life nearly comes to an end, and is time for me to step into the society. After my graduation, I am going to stay an additional year in US for jobs search. I hope to gain some jobs experiences in the US firms before coming back to Hong Kong. I don't know what my future is, but with my confidence, I hope my future will be as good as I am in UCLA.



Ho Kwan Leung, Robin (2014)

Greetings everyone, I'm Robin Ho, a graduate of 2014, currently studying IBBA in Financial Engineering in the CUHK. I'm going to share my little story, but not going to talk anything about university life as it's different for everyone and I'm sure you will figure it out later. Back in high school, I was extremely naughty, lazy and undisciplined, like being late to class or even absent; sleeping during class; chatting with my classmates; not doing homework; zero revision; to name a few. Being labelled as a 'troublemaker' that I will never succeed in anything, is it difficult to imagine how such a loser could eventually get into the University? If you think of me like this, that means you do not understand me well (joke).

In the final revision period for the DSE exam, schoolmates were busy with studying and afterschool tutoring, while I was addicted to playing table tennis (as the basketball court was under construction IoI). Finally my result was not that great, I rejected the offer from City University and decided to retake the exam, to do one thing seriously which I never tried in my whole life. A friend of mine also decided to retake the exam, then we spent that long half year journey together, nearly repeating the same routine every day. At last, we finished this grey journey. I got a decent result this time, and got into my most favourite university CUHK to start another new journey.

What I want to especially emphasise is that I want you all to treasure everything you got now, friends, teachers, time... Because you won't have a chance to go back to such a good time once you have left this place. WKF is really a good place, a place that I can find good and cute and supportive teachers, life-long friends, and myself. This is my home, I always want to make my family being proud of me. This is my little story. My beloved A-Schoolers, believe in yourself, no one can define you except yourself.



Yeung Siu Bo, Ashlee (2013)

I am delighted to have a chance to share with you here. After graduating from A-School, I decided to take an education programme. Today, I return to A-School as a practice teacher. It is the greatest learning journey in my life as a student and a practice teacher. The gain I obtained from A-School is more than academic achievement. It helped me in every aspect of my life to the fullest. After graduated for years, my teachers still remember my name and share their schooling experience with me. They guide me, give me encouragement and support me emotionally. My role in A-School may change, but A-School keeps on inspiring me.

