

WYKPSA Newsletter

Official Publication of the Wah Yan College, Kowloon Past Students' Association

A word from the Chairman

Dear fellow Wahyannites,

It is a great honour to serve as the Chairman of our Past Students' Association (PSA). We have gone through a difficult period of the pandemic in the past two years, which restricted our opportunities to organise usual activities that help to connect our alumni in Hong Kong and around the world.

I am grateful for the help and support of our current executive committee members, each of them bringing unique knowledge and experience to our organisation. We will continue to carry out our mission to keep our alumni connected to each other and our school, and offer support to our current students to develop and grow under our 'holistic, liberating and transforming Catholic education'.

Building on traditions, we continue to connect our alumni from different industries through our interest groups, including fraternities in finance, legal, medical, psychology and IT. We are excited to resume our most popular alumni activity, the 21st Wah Yan League Football Tournament, this year, with 33 teams and over 900 alumni enrolled. In terms of support to our current students, we will continue to offer two key programmes: 1) Book of the Year, which is an initiative aims to encourage the habit of reading and 2) Student Ambassador scheme, which will award a current S5 student to visit an overseas chapter on behalf of WYK once travel restrictions loosen. We will also resume our mentorship programme and invite our alumni with expertise in various industries expertise to join us as tutors.

Since our 100/95th Anniversaries Celebration, our PSA has been working with the Wah Yan College Hong Kong Past Student Association, the Parent Associations from both schools and several other alumni and parent bodies to run the Wah Yan Social Service Community: with the objective to work with disadvantaged groups in society and provide learning opportunities for Wah Yan students at the same time.

In addition to the above activities and projects, we have set up the following task force groups on four key initiatives that focus on alumni connection:

1. Newsletter publication — We believe our newsletter is the first and most popular channel to connect our alumni around the world. We target to publish it on a quarterly basis (every August, November, February and May).
2. Setup of e-Store on our PSA website — We plan to launch various new PSA product lines that will be available for alumni around the world to order online through our website
3. Young Members Committee — We wish to enhance our services and activity ranges that could cater to our young members. We also hope to attract more young talents to participate in our ExCo for succession planning purposes.
4. International Alumni connections — The current travel restrictions have limited our opportunity to meet and connect with alumni from different countries. This task force will jointly work with Wah Yan College Hong Kong Past Student Association to arrange regular meetings with our international chapters and explore opportunities to setup new chapters in other cities, such as Manchester, Leeds and Reading in UK.

We are excited about all these initiatives and look forward to sharing more information with you throughout the year!

Warm regards,

Cedric Ko (Class 1994)

Chairman

Wah Yan College Kowloon Past Students' Association (2021-22)



「芬姐」於2005年為華仁仔粉墨登場，以話劇教大家珍惜學校一草一物的重要。

人情練達即文章 — 專訪溫生溫太伉儷

文：關宇

相信不少九十至零零年代九華舊生都會記得我校聖堂堂役溫生和校役溫太（芬姐）。若是在聖堂彌撒和上宗教課，便有機會遇上溫生，或是當放學鐘聲過後，猶在課室戀棧不去，就會遇上溫太。事隔多年，即使當初的小伙子已成了中年大叔，當回憶校園之際總免不了想起這兩位「鎮校之寶」，揚起一份溫情和敬意。今次舊生會編輯小組有幸能訪問他們，一起追憶年華。

結緣九華

溫生年少時曾受耶穌會科利神父的教導，神父時常帶著他到華仁探訪其他神父，所以一開始便熟悉這個寬廣的校園。六十年代時，聖堂亟需對耶穌會有認識的年輕人加入，因此到一九六七年，溫生便自自然然地到聖依納爵堂任職。

九華除了是溫生帶職事奉的地方，還饒有更深一層的意義—這是溫生、溫太訂下婚盟的地方。雖然法例上聖依納爵堂並不是法定可舉行婚禮的處所，但神父們知道溫生伉儷與華仁淵源深厚，又多為教友認識，遂特意破格讓他們在聖德勒撒堂簽訂婚約後，同日轉往我校聖堂舉行婚禮彌撒，在天主、眾神父及教友見證下共結鴛盟。這已是四十年前（七一年）的事了，但他們猶對當時情景歷歷在目，當時有八位神父，以及溫叔的代父—李柱銘師兄出席彌撒。而彌撒過後，還在學校舊教員室外的走廊舉行茶會。這是在聖堂舉行唯一一次的婚禮呢。

婚後，溫生繼續在聖堂工作，溫太則專心養育兩個兒子，直到九零年才加入九華，擔任校役。

人情練達即文章 — 專訪溫生溫太伉儷

廣結人緣

早於七十年代，梁神父已經常常帶領學生到溫生伉儷居住的郊區露營、燒烤。因著溫生夫婦熟知當地，神父才敢放心帶著整群學生到當地。雖然總是平安完成，但也有「刺骨」的經歷：話說有一年冬假神父和學生們到山丘上露營，其時香港冬天不及現在暖和，溫生夫婦住在山腳，尚且感到寒冷，忍不住擔心神父和學生們。翌日，他們便問神父當晚感受如何，一如所料，一眾師生寒夜朔風之下擁著薄氈，仍抵不禁寒風刺骨、牙關打顫。如此情境相信在這個年代已難復現，但也顯出當年九華師生的冒險、刻苦的精神。

如是者，他們早於七十年代開始認識九華師生，而之後溫太主要負責校舍課堂的清潔工作，時常遇上為著班務、會務在課室開會的學生。他們常常央求她先清理其他課室，讓他們在課室多留一會，而溫太亦常常慨然應允，予人方便，加上其親切的性格，大為九華學生歡迎。即使不少同學畢業後到海外發展，獨當一面，也常趁回港之時找溫生溫太敘舊，甚或邀請他們出席婚宴。這些情誼不為千里萬山阻隔，歷多年而常新。溫生溫太多年來除了與眾多學生混熟，也與不少神父和老師親善。每逢新春，不少老師會到他們家拜年。

助人不倦

溫生溫太得到歷屆九華同學的敬重，自有原由。當公開試成績公佈之際，少不免有同學成績未如人意。溫太每每主動安慰他們，亦鼓勵他們敢於向外闖，不論是赴笈海外，或是投身社會，都對他們滿有信心。「九華仔其實係好叻，出到嚟點會唔掂呀！」溫太以肯定的語氣說道。

當年九華中六學位有限，往往有學生即使會考獲得十八分或以上成績，但仍未能升讀中六。溫太記得有一次，有位同學沒有心理準備未能原校升讀，在學校呆立良久。溫太見狀，便提醒他到港華報讀中六，但他竟身無分文，連去港華的車費也付之闕如。她趕忙將車費塞進他的口袋，著他儘快出發，免得錯失機會。這位同學從此一去不返，直到九月，溫太才從其他同學得知他當日已獲港華取錄，方放下心頭大石。正所謂「勿以善小而不為」，這些小小的鼓勵、援手，足以影響同學一生。

故此，要得人真心敬重，並不依憑財富、地位，而是出於人格有其可敬處。溫太退休後，曾經回校幫手，擔任替工。有一日，有一位初中學生並不認識溫太，該學生自己一人先到實驗室，時值暑熱，便當面埋怨溫太為何不預早準備冷氣，態度稍微不遜。事實上，學校常規是待學生到齊才開動冷氣，免致浪費電力。溫太來不及說明，身旁就有一位高年級學生出言訓斥該名學弟：「你唔係唔識芬姐呀嗎？我哋無人會用咁嘅語氣同佢講嘢㗎！俾啲尊重呀下！你即刻同芬姐道歉！」溫太的受人敬重，可見一斑。



溫生溫太於1971年在聖依納爵堂舉行婚禮

印象彌深

整體而言，溫生溫太對九華仔的印象是有禮貌，懂得尊師重道。就算偶然有頑皮、佻皮的時候，也只不過是嬉笑一番，並非立心不良。溫生記得學生們一有機會便在偌大的校園捉迷藏，玩到得意忘形。但不管玩得如何熱烈，他們遠遠望見神父的長袍也會頓時規行矩步，靜待神父走遠，才重投嬉戲之中。事實上，華仁素來不實行嚴厲的校規，也不會風紀(prefect)處處，但學生們卻能自動自覺尊重師長，可知這份精神早已內化於心，不需甚麼外力強制。當然，華仁仔仍偶有闖禍的時候。當年有位神職人員獲內地當局簽證來港治病，寓居九華。他個子短小，身子稍稍單薄，愛在校園緩緩地散步。不料有一天，有學生捉迷藏捉得性起，奔馳疾走不能止，與他撞個滿懷，人仰馬翻，可憐他因傷要入院治理，幸並無大礙，肇事學生也未受重罰。此後，學生們常在聖堂聽到他的講道，猶不知這位慈厚長者竟是捱過廿二載牢獄，並貴為廣州教區首任華籍總主教—鄧以明總主教。

當然，九華生佻皮的事也充滿著溫生溫太的回憶。弄污椅桌只是「小菜一碟」。可能男孩子比較好動，精力亟需發洩，有學生將課室誤作足球場，從課室門口使勁踢球，結果玻璃窗報銷。更不可思議的，是將吊扇充作機動遊戲，將衣物拋上，看看扇葉掛起衣物，或是將衣物彈飛。更甚者，是將橙、可樂罐拋上吊扇，之後課堂慘象顯然易見，但學生們對橙肉橙汁、可樂濺滿全身亦毫不在意。當年九華學生的年少輕狂大率如此。幸而，近年學生較為文靜，如此玩意已然絕跡了。不過，溫太想起這些令她工作量倍增的事兒並無愠色，反而帶著一絲微笑。有著如此寬容，難怪她能在九華任職如此悠長歲月復又深受愛戴吧！

反斗以外，學生亦有其可愛一面。溫太記得臨近退休時，有一個相熟的中二學生突然要求溫太擁抱他。溫太大惑不解，正想拒絕之時，該學生才可憐兮兮地解釋自己父母長期離港公幹，缺乏家庭溫暖。溫太見他如斯「淒涼」，便抱了他一會。本以為事情就此結，不料那位學生翌日卻特地買了個蘋果枇作為酬謝，令溫太哭笑不得。



於聖堂前合照

人情練達即文章 — 專訪溫生溫太伉儷

溫生溫太認為九華學生大都淳樸踏實，不是出身大富之家。當然他們不是從甚麼內幕資料得知，卻是從日常觀察得出的結論——身上的校服。九華仔的校服雖說大致整潔，但袖衫鮮有燙貼得「起骨」或光潔如新。證明學生家裡多沒有傭人，父母多要為口奔馳。然而，他們覺得隨著社會變遷，近年的學生待人態度和禮貌比起前輩學長頗有不及，而且行事較為衝動，思考略欠周詳，於事物尚須從多角度，不應抱持「非黑即白」的觀念。

溫生溫太也對華仁學生歷年積極參與公益活動印象深刻。而這份服務社會、關懷鄰舍的精神亦有其淵源。溫生回憶二戰後香港經濟艱難，有很多兒童乏人照顧，淪為街童。此時，簡神父 (Fr. Kennedy) 不忍這些兒童的境況，便在九華成立了「貧童會」，於聖堂發起募捐，在校園照顧街童，並提供簡單食物以供糊口。該慈惠組織便是「兒童會」的前身，之後由魏志立神父接手。

歷朝回憶

溫生溫太一起在九華工作的時間，經歷了三位校長：狄恆神父、蘇中平校長和陳岡校長。在他們眼中，三位各有特色：狄恆神父充滿慈心，就算當年中三學生成績未符升讀中四的資格，神父擔心他們太早投身社會易入歧途，會盡量酌情處理，讓他們多讀兩年，待他們成熟一些，對外間誘惑多一份「免疫力」。蘇校長則為人嚴正，不苟言笑，而學生們都對他畢恭畢敬。陳校長則為人隨和，大家能輕鬆相處，而且溫生溫太至今仍常與陳校長常常聯絡。



在熟悉的走廊上切結婚蛋糕。

博施濟眾

溫生溫太堪稱活出了信徒的愛德。在千禧年，他們籌款為家鄉羅定修築公路，修葺學校。他們行事低調，從不希求回報。自零二年開始，他們會和九華老師在復活節假期帶領十多位學生到羅定探訪學校、安老院，和體驗農耕生活。由零四年之後，他們和程永基老師負責的公教聯會合作，直至二零一八年。

溫言勸勉

溫生溫太在這些年頭服務華仁，感到最快樂的事是見證到學生平平穩穩畢業。即使不是名列前茅，但日後也未必不能成功。而立身處世最重要的是品德，懂得尊師重道，切忌不可一世，自詡高高在上，看不起他人。要做到「貧無諂，富不驕」。九華這個校園環境便是能做到培養品德，使學生遠離誘惑。溫生伉儷這份「重品德」的看法貫徹著他們的育兒方針。他們從嚴管教兒子，教導他們要腳踏實地，寧願少掙一點錢，也要遠離品流複雜的行業。

溫生溫太也頗關心時事。對於近日城中鬧得熱哄哄的移民潮，他們不以為然。他們深信香港人不應輕言放棄自己的家園，即使此時此地遭逢困難，但其實遠方異地也有其難處。溫太語重深長地說：「天下烏鴉一樣黑，到處楊梅一樣花……一動不如一靜」。香港是大家的，他們熟悉的愛爾蘭籍神父們，大多是植根香港，年屆耆耄之年也不願歸回故里，寧願留在這城直至回歸天家之日。

最後，溫生溫太寄語九華人「應該做的，就要去做；要爭取的，就要爭取。」要甘於平凡，過簡單、快樂的生活。

訪後感言

採訪溫生溫太，深覺他們對九華的情誼。他們對九華後輩的勸勉，雖沒有堂皇的大道理，卻充份地流露著他們的人生智慧和對世情的體會。這些說話，經由歷練多年的他們道出，格外有份量。常言道：「世事洞明皆學問，人情練達即文章」，晚生信焉。



負責訪問的舊生們與溫生溫太言談甚歡，再合照留念。

Wah Yan League 2021

Wah Yan League Football Tournament is back on after its season was suspended due to the coronavirus pandemic. There are 25 teams taking part in Master League (a combination of League A and League B of the previous season), and 8 teams taking part in Senior League. First match day of Season 2021/22 was held on 11 July 2021.

In order to let more Wahyanites to enjoy football fun, there will be a 7-a-side Football Tournament to be held on the Hard Ground Football Pitch in WYK campus. For more information, please contact football@wykpsa.org.hk.



Pen Gift to Student Ambassadors

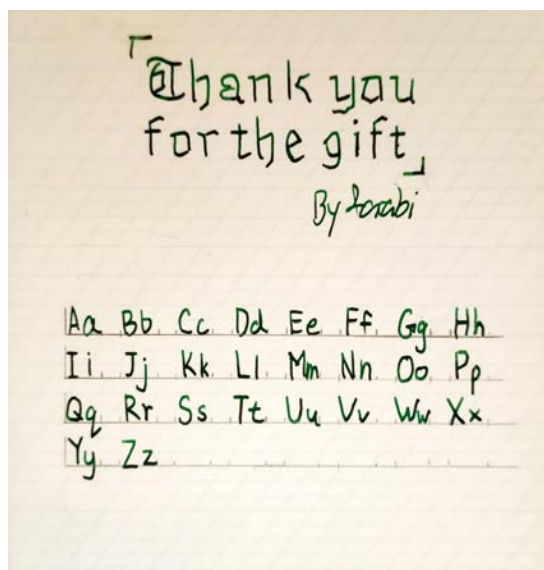


Pen Gift to Student Ambassadors

With COVID restrictions in place in the foreseeable future, the Student Ambassadors have been unable to fly for two years. Whilst the WYKPSA will honour the promise of an overseas chapter visit once the situation improves, the ExCo of WYKPSA 2021-22 resolved to gift the two Student Ambassadors, Dibyu Farabi Shaomin ABM of 2019-20 and Howard Ngan Tsz Ho of 2020-21, a Montblanc Meisterstück LeGrand fountain pen each. The money was raised by the generosity of several donors in the ExCo and this gesture received heartwarming responses from the school authorities.

Traditionally, the fountain pen is a companion-like writing instrument for a gentleman, one that can be passed on for generations as an heirloom. The ExCo granted this gift from alumni to students to strengthen the bond of brotherhood despite current vicissitudes and to help the holders express their thoughts elegantly in the many years to come.

Our ExCos accompanied the Student Ambassadors to a Montblanc boutique to try out different nib sizes and to personalise their choices with engravings on 12 July. They went to the boutique again to collect their Meisterstücks on 27 July, learning how to ink their own pens at the same time.



Performances by the WYK Boys' Choir

WYK Boys' Choir Featured in the 2021 HK Hymnos Festival

The first of its kind in Hong Kong and Asia, the Hong Kong Hymnos Festival (2021 Festival) will take place from 10 to 15 November 2021, with the performance on 13 November held in our alma mater.

The Wah Yan College, Kowloon Boys' Choir will also be featured in the 2021 Festival with the brightest stars in the Hong Kong music arena. Their selection of hymn music will range from 16th Century to contemporary works. An all-gems music showcase.

Our Boys' Choir will open the Festival on 10 Nov with their angelic voices, performing not only hymn music from the classic era, but will joint the Good Hope School Choir to perform an African-influenced hymn. The two schools will also join the Festival Choir at the Closing Concert on 15 Nov, where they will sing together with other choir groups and individuals, and pieces composed by masters Prof Chan Wing Wah and Mr Doming Lam.



The poster for the 2021 Hong Kong Hymnos Festival features a collage of images including choir members, musical instruments, and the festival's logo. The text on the poster includes:

- Premiere Festival 10-15 NOV 21**
- Prof Chan Wing Wah JP 陳永華教授太平紳士**
Anthony Cheng 鄭汝森
Colleen Lee Doce Voce 李嘉齡
Felix Yeung 楊欣諾
Phoebus Chan 陳雋豪
Quincy Chan 陳耀瑋
Fr Ray Kelly
- 10/11 Opening Concert** 開幕音樂會
13/11 HymnFest 聖詠欣賞
14/11 HymnFest 聖詠欣賞
15/11 Closing Concert 閉幕音樂會
- Supporting Organisation** 贊助機構
Patrons Music 音樂顧問
Venue Partners 場地夥伴
Community Service Partner 社區服務夥伴
- 2021 Hong Kong Hymnos Festival**
首屆香港聖詠節

Fr. Clement Tsui, S. J. Named New Supervisor of both Wah Yans

The Jesuit Chinese Province has named Fr. Clement Tsui, S. J. successor to our current School Supervisor, Fr. Stephen Chow, from September 2021 onwards. Fr. Chow is to take up his new position as Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong in December.

A graduate of Wah Yan College, Hong Kong in 1988, Fr. Tsui studied in Australia before his work in the banking industry. He joined the Jesuits in 2005 and taught in Wah Yan College, Kowloon in 2009-11. He was ordained into priesthood in 2015.

In his announcement, Fr. Chow described Fr. Tsui as a 'committed Jesuit educator with ample local and international experience.' We look forward to working with Fr. Tsui and the school to 'accompany... students, to know their needs and to promote learning more effectively'.



Letter from the Wah Yan One Family Foundation



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Greetings from the Foundation and may we wish every Wahyanite and their family and friends good health and a supple mind. Under the prevailing Covid-19 pandemic, we were unable to organize any major fundraising activities in 2020. Only a small sum of \$0.55 million was raised this year, bringing our total fund raised for the Dream Campaign to over \$154 million since 2007.

Albeit such an adversity, the Foundation appropriated \$10.33 million to support the Dream initiatives (i.e. small class teaching, teacher formation and whole person development programmes for pupils) at the two Wah Yans, making a total of over \$150 million being appropriated to the two Schools since 2008.

With a low balance of some \$4 million, we will be unable to commit any sizeable funding to the two Wah Yans in 2021. The two Schools have started to downsize the teaching team due to this shortfall. Fr. Deignan's Dream Campaign is drawing to close having completed its missions.

Despite the impasse facing us, your generosity has again generated fruitful results. This year, over 80% of our boys from both Wah Yan received a JUPAS offer, a record high surpassing many elite schools. Wah Yan Hong Kong yielded three (3) scholars with 5** in 5 subjects, who were joined by many with 5* in 5-6 subjects from both Schools. In fact, Wah Yans have been on par with other elite schools in terms of academic performances, while surpassing many by nurturing distinctive and mature leaders with positive values, creativity and multiple capabilities. Our teaching and administrative staff deserve the credit and our further support.

Dream Campaign Statement and Report

We invited the Schools to prepare a "Statement and Report on Dream Campaign", which was subsequently uploaded and distributed to alumni and friends in July 2021. Please click: <http://www.wahyanonefamily.org/dream-campaign-statement-and-report-excerpt.html> to enjoy the joy of achievements by the Schools.

Bloom Campaign and Way forward

Looking ahead, our Schools are focused on "building capacities for sustainable exceptional performance and realization of the Jesuit Vision at the two Wah Yans". To do so, we will help the Schools raise an enduring Endowment to support initially:

- Small Enhancement Classes for needy pupils
- STEAM/STEM programmes to answer society's current and coming needs
- NET teachers to engender a global vision and create greater cross-cultural impact

We also hope that the abiding Endowment will allow the two Wah Yans to cope with the ever-changing educational needs, government policies and university admission requirements over time. A massive fundraising campaign named "Bloom Campaign" is now in the pipeline, with a view to raising an HK\$200-million "Bloom Endowment" in 3 years from 2022 onwards.

We will roll out the fundraising initiatives soon. To name just a few, please join these interesting events we all long for:

- Wah Yan 100+ Music Festival, 4-9 January 2022 @ Grand Theatre, Hong Kong Cultural Centre, where an odyssey of music development in Wah Yan will be presented
<http://www.wahyanonefamily.org/wah-yan-100--music-festival.html>
- Guinness World Record Creation Campaign, 20 October 2022 @ Wah Yan Kowloon
<http://www.wahyanonefamily.org/guinness-world-record-creation.html>
- Chong Hing Credit Card Re-launch
<http://www.wahyanonefamily.org/credit-card.html>

We will announce the whole "Bloom Campaign" detail soon so please stay tuned. Again may we extend our greatest gratitude to your generosity and support to Wah Yan, and we look forward to your continuous support!

Best wishes,
Wah Yan One Family Foundation

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Taking a group photo in the School Hall after the successful Annual General Meeting on 29 May 2021.

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