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Dear Colleagues,

Warmest greetings! I would like to share with you some HKAHSS news in this Newsletter. I hope you would take a break in your busy schedule and enjoy reading this issue.

1. Happy Hour Forum on 15 May 2019

The Happy Hour Forum held on 15 May 2019 at Tack Ching Girls' Secondary School was well-received. 59 members joined us for the talk themed "Handling Staff Stress and Emotional Issues" by Dr. Hong Kwai Wah and the practical sharing by Ms. Yau Kit Ying, Veronica and Dr. Lau Yiu Hung, Principal of Fanling Kau Yan College and Principal of Kit Sam Lam Bing Yim Secondary School respectively, on "All-graduate Teaching Force Policy". We trust all participants gained useful information and good insights in the programme. Thank you very much for your support, as always and hope that we can see you again soon in the upcoming events of HKAHSS.



2. Survey on the needs and concerns of newly-appointed Principals

In April, with the kind support of newly-appointed Principals, the HKAHSS successfully conducted a survey on the needs and concerns of them. We would like to convey our heartfelt gratitude to all those who helped in the survey. In short, we will study the survey findings and plan for programmes and events to better serve members' needs.

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3. Annual Conference 2019

This year, our Annual Conference is scheduled to be held on 10 June 2019, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at CityView Hotel, 23 Waterloo Road, Kowloon. We have chosen the theme "Language Policy, Medium of Instruction for Secondary Schools and Secondary School Places Allocation". It is our great honour to have two very renowned researchers and educators in the field, Professor Amy Bik May Tsui [徐碧美教授], Professor Emerita, Division of English Language Education Faculty of Education, HKU, and Sister May May Wong [黃美美修女] to speak for us. Their understanding of the policies, their studies, together with their observations at schools and universities would definitely shed light on us on the controversies.

You are sincerely invited to join us for our Annual Conference. If you have not yet enrolled, please click [HERE](#) for more details and the reply slip. We hope to see you at our Annual Conference on 10 June.

4. Feedback from AHSS on the Initial Thoughts by the Task Force on Review of School Curriculum

The Executive Committee acknowledges the efforts made by the Task Force on Review of School Curriculum set up by the EDB to address some important and pending issues of the secondary school curriculum, yet there are some more concerns. We have given our feedback on 9 April 2019 and believe that we share the same vision to create a better future for Hong Kong students through a holistic review. Please click [HERE](#) to read our feedback.

5. Letter from Professor Kai-ming Cheng

We received earlier a letter from Professor Kai-ming Cheng (程介明教授), our key-note speaker in our Annual Conference in June 2017, providing the latest development on the "identifiers" issue relating to both PISA and TIMSS. The Executive Committee has decided to circulate the letter to members as it may help members to make appropriate decisions relating to the participation of the two studies. The letter is enclosed for your reference. You may also click [HERE](#) to read Professor Cheng's letter.

6. Farewell to outgoing principals

The Executive Committee would take this opportunity to send our greatest appreciation to those who have served in schools for so many years and will be retiring or taking early retirement in the coming September. While reluctantly bidding you farewell, we



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earnestly appeal to your continued support by joining us as life / affiliate members. A **Life / Affiliated Membership Registration Form** is enclosed and we are earnestly waiting for your registration.

Thank you for taking time to read this Newsletter and I will write again soon.

Pang Wai Lan Helena
Honorary Secretary

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