

Messages and Notices – 25.9.2020

WIS Students Accepted into UWC Programme

Congratulations to Fode Yakpo, Isis Lee, Andrew Su and Edward Ho who have been accepted into the UWC Programme. This is a huge achievement!

Study in California Panel Hosted by ESF (West Island School) Hong Kong

October 7 Wednesday - 9pm - 10:15pm HK-time

On Wednesday 7 October, West Island School will be hosting an event for Californian Colleges and Universities to speak with students in Hong Kong. A number of prestigious public and private colleges will be represented and both liberal arts and community colleges are also included. The panelists include Stanford University, UC Davis, Cal Poly Pomona, Occidental College and Foothill + De Anza Colleges. This is a great opportunity for students interested in studying in California or for those wanting to learn more about the US higher education system in general. Interest in the event will be high but as this is a WIS organised event, ESF students will get priority registration. Registration is open now and the details are provided below. There will be an opportunity to ask questions; attendees are encouraged to submit questions when registering.

[Please click here to register](#)

Creative Media - Digital Design Competition!

We've just launched a new digital design course here at West Island School - BTEC Creative Media - and what better way to kick start the academic year than with a digital design competition! It's open to students of ALL year groups! Details in poster below.



The poster features a central image of a laptop displaying a colorful digital illustration of a blue cat and a yellow cat in a virtual environment. The text on the poster is as follows:

**CREATIVE MEDIA
DESIGN COMPETITION**
Digitally illustrate a virtual background for Zoom!

Use digital software such as Illustrator or Procreate to create an original digital graphic that is unique & imaginative...

Dimensions = 1920 (w) x 1080 (h) pixels

Submit entries via email in JPEG format to:
shanice.welsh@wis.edu.hk

Open to ALL year groups - Prizes to be won!

DEADLINE = FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2020

WIS Students at Beach Cleanup

Well done to Ariane Crane who took part in the Pak Kok Village (Lamma Island) beach clean up last week organised by Kieran Childs (Year 13). The group were out on the beach for close to two hours and collected 17 bags of rubbish, 11 styrofoam boxes and a giant plastic palette. A great piece of service!



Footwear Information for Year 7-11

Please be reminded of our expectations with regards to footwear so that we can maintain our high standards of uniform and students wear shoes which meet uniform policy and health and safety guidelines.

- All school shoes should be black leather which can be polished. Suede and canvas shoes are not permitted. An essential aspect of this is for safety in technology classrooms and science laboratories. Should items be dropped or chemicals spilled, leather will provide the best level of protection.
- Shoes should be sturdy in construction.
- Shoes must not have a coloured logo or different coloured heel or sole, such as white or grey. Shoes should be entirely black with black laces.
- Girls shoes should have a sensible height heel.
- Trainers including trainer style shoes, cannot be worn as school shoes.

Please note that should your child require orthopedic support inserts, black leather shoes should be worn that can accommodate these.

Below are some suggested shoes which are suitable:



In addition, below are images of shoes which are not acceptable.:



The above images are for guidance only and do not include every version of acceptable and unacceptable footwear. If you are unsure, please speak to your child's tutor who can provide some additional guidance for you.

Please note that if your child's school shoes do not fall within the guidelines above, you may be asked to purchase new shoes.

School Bus Services

A reminder that Kwoon Chung is handling school bus services directly this year. Please register directly with them at: <https://school.kcm.com.hk/wis>

If you have any questions, please email them at: wis@kcm.com.hk

Upcoming WIS Parent Webinars

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| <p>Monday 28 September</p> | <p>#LetsTalk: Screen Time, Mobile Phones and Online Gaming</p> <p>Mr Sammons will explore the science, myths and reality that surrounds parental worries about teenagers being on screens and gaming. Explore signs and symptoms that may suggest your child is experiencing over reliance as well as how to create healthy habits and maintain a positive relationship when having that conversation about spending too much time online. Opportunity to ask questions in real time.</p> |
| <p>Tuesday 29 September</p> | <p>How to support your children with their learning skills without becoming the enemy by Elevate Education</p> <p>Elevate Education is an education organisation that specialises in showing students how to learn based on 19 years of research. They work with over 3000 schools and 1.2 million students globally each year.</p> |

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| | <p>The 60-minute webinar will focus on study skills, time management, memory skills and motivation specifically for our parent community.</p> <p>Event Title: Date: Tuesday 29 September 2020, Tuesday Time: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM (+8 UTC) Click here to join Webinar via Zoom</p> <p><i>Meeting ID: 881 1995 0065</i> <i>Passcode: 308722 (Please note that clicking on the webinar link will be enough to get you to the webinar)</i></p> <p>Please click on the link below to complete a quick survey which will help your presenter understand what your main concerns are. We encourage you to write specific questions that will get answered in the webinar. Please click here to complete the Elevate survey</p> |
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UPCOMING UNIVERSITY WEBINARS

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| <p>21 - 25 September 15:00 - 20:30 British Council HK Roadshow (Virtual) 2020</p> <p>An opportunity to connect and to find out more about higher education in the UK, including the strengths of various universities, subjects and courses. 24 UK universities will be present.</p> | Register by clicking here |
| <p>25 September 18:00 An introduction to Durham University - ESF Schools (Hong Kong)</p> | Register by clicking here |
| <p>26 September 10:00-15:00 Goldsmiths, University of London Open Day</p> | Register by clicking here |
| <p>28 September 20:00 ESF Hong Kong Virtual Visit: NYU and Northeastern University</p> | Register by clicking here |
| <p>28 September 16:30 National University of Singapore Information Session (ESF)</p> | Register by clicking here |
| <p>29 September 16:00 Study in Scotland</p> <p>An introduction to life and studies in Scotland, the 4 year course structure and an overview of each university</p> | Register by clicking here |

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| <p>29 September 16:30 Chinese University Hong Kong Webinar for ESF Students</p> <p>This session targets Year 13 students and will thus focus on application procedures and Faculty overview and highlights. Parents and Year 12 students are also welcome.</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>30 September 21:00 Global Encounter and Perspectives: Emory, Notre Dame, Tufts, and Washington University in St. Louis</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>3 October University of Manchester Virtual Open Day</p> <p>Completing the form will mean that you will receive further information about the event and how to register for subject specific and other sessions by mid-September</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>5 October 19:00 Manhattan College Virtual Visit</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>6 October 19:00 Drexel University Information Session (ESF)</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>12 October 19:00 Wake Forest Information Session</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>12-16 October Study in the UK: Virtual Week</p> <p>Throughout the week, a group of more than 20 UK universities will be running a series of free webinars, live chats and Q&As aimed at offering information, advice and guidance to prospective undergraduate. These sessions will include top tips on applying to university and preparing for university life, and a range of academic subject talks to give students a taster of their favourite subject in a university setting.</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>13 October Meet Sydney</p> <p>Introduction to University of Sydney and a 3-hour virtual Q&A session about studying at the University of Sydney in 2021 and beyond. You can register for multiple sessions.</p> | <p>Introduction to University of Sydney (5:00pm - 5:15pm) Register by clicking here</p> <p>Arts, Social Sciences, Music and Law (5:30pm - 8:30pm) Register by clicking here</p> |

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| | <p>here</p> <p>Medicine, Health and Science (5:30pm - 8:30pm) Register by clicking here</p> <p>Business (5:30pm - 8:30pm) Register by clicking here</p> <p>Architecture, Engineering and IT (5:30pm - 8:30pm) Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>15 October 16:30</p> <p>UC San Diego Information Session</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |
| <p>17 October 23:00</p> <p>UC for You (for Non-Resident/International Students)</p> <p>You will have the opportunity to discover the nine UC campuses and can take the time to chat with admissions representatives in individualized meeting rooms. This is your chance to ask questions about admissions requirements based on their state or country, selection criteria, majors, pre-professional programs and more.</p> | <p>Register by clicking here</p> |