

Notices

We'd like to remind students of the language learning opportunities open to them on campus.

Firstly, we remind you of the **Grammar and Pronunciation Workshops** that are taking place in the **Alistair Harvey Learning Resources Centre** at various times during the day. For more details of times check out the notices in the LRC or contact **Jacob Chu** on 24368577.

Secondly, we would like to inform you all of the upcoming **Summer Intensive IELTS Preparation Course**.

This summer, Tsing Yi will be offering students the chance to prepare for the internationally recognised English Language test, **IELTS**.

The IELTS is well known as the passport for entry to many tertiary institutions in Hong Kong and overseas. It is also becoming widely accepted by major employers in Hong Kong in their recruitment of staff.

Don't miss this opportunity to prepare yourself for this useful English Language qualification.

IELTS will be held on **Mon / Wed / Fri** at **10am – 1pm** from the **18th June – the 11th July**.

For more details talk to your English teachers or contact the Language Centre (B418).



Welcome to volume 7 and the third edition of the LC Newsletter for the 06/07 academic year.

In this issue we will take a look at some of the events that recently took place on campus and also give details of the prize winning trip to Zhuhai that the winners of our **Putonghua Singing & Recital Competitions** enjoyed.


We include another look at Phrasal Verbs in our Language Page and carry an interview with our Vice Principal – **Ms Evon Ying**.

In this edition we also feature the first of a new section to the **Newsletter** – 'The Tale of the Tape'. For more details of this check out page three.

As you can see from the above picture, the staff members of Tsing Yi Language Centre recently attended a Team Building Workshop held at the Kerry Lake Egret Nature Park in Tai Po. The workshop was organised by **Ms BJ Gran** and the Language Centre would like to thank BJ for her time and for providing us with an interesting and enjoyable day – many thanks.

Competition 1

Our first competition in this issue relates to the LC staff picture above. As you can see the Language Centre has quite a large number of staff members, but do you know all of them?

We will offer McDonald's food vouchers  to the first student to correctly name **ALL** of the staff members in the picture. Use the numbers in the picture to help identify the staff.

Please hand in your name list at the LC – Rm. B418. Good Luck !

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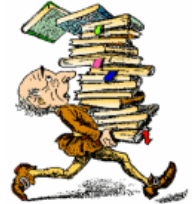
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Language Page



Phrasal Verbs

In the last issue we introduced you to phrasal verbs and a number of students from HRM 21927/F 1a wrote to say that they enjoyed learning about them, so we're including some more here.

The following Phrasal verbs all begin with the letter **B**.

Brush up on = to review or study thoroughly for a short time.

Eg. If you plan to travel in the UK, you should **brush up on** your English.

Butt in = to impolitely interrupt someone.

Eg. Hey you! Don't **butt in** let me finish!

Butter up = to praise someone excessively with the hope of getting some benefit.

Eg. I guess Raymond wants to be promoted, he's been **buttering up** the boss for weeks.

Break up = (1) to disperse or scatter

Eg. What time did the party **break up** last night?

Break up = (2) to end a relationship

Eg. Have you heard the news? Joe **broke up** with Flora last night.

Phrasal Verbs Competition

Can you identify the phrasal verb which has the following 3 meanings:

- 1) Find where someone lives or works and visit them.
- 2) Find something in a reference book.
- 3) Respect someone.

See below for answer

Answer to Phrasal Verbs Competition = Look up

Phrasal Verbs Wordsearch

Find the following phrasal verbs hidden in the wordsearch.

O T T U P N S J R P T E K K A
 S P X K B J M I F F S G I F G
 S B W E L Y K I G X N D C U J
 B E Z Z V G L H E N I R K H Z
 S T A N D D O W N A A A U Y Q
 L B W T U B J B N L G W P D M
 S G D P U M U W T I A I A X A
 E H T T T O P O U T N P Y L
 H H T W T D T A U V I T U O R
 N I O E S B J C D S P O K W P
 N T R S F F O N G I S Q A U O
 Q U E S I G N U P N L E E A S
 P R A S B I I Q E R I P R S T
 D O H Q A Z L X K N I A B D C
 F C L I H Z U S F P E K K Q R

BREAK UP	BUTTER UP	BUTT IN
DRAW INTO	DRESSDOWN	DRESSUP
KICK UP	PIPE UP	PIT AGAINST
PUT TO	SIGN AWAY	SIGN OFF
SIGN UP	STAND DOWN	

Look out for more language activities in future issues.

Tale of the Tape – Yao Ming vs Kobe Bryant

Many readers will be familiar with the NBA and I'm sure a lot of you have your own favourite stars. In this issue of the *Newsletter* we include the first in our 'Tale of the Tape' sections. This new section draws its name from the world of sport, more specifically, from Boxing.

The concept of 'Tale of the Tape' is to compare opponents in a variety of ways on paper. For example, in boxing you would compare each competitor's height, weight, age, reach, career win-loss record, number of KO wins etc... The aim of this is to assess who might be the likely winner when the two opponents meet in the boxing ring. Of course the Tale of the Tape is only a paper evaluation and quite often in boxing, as in other sports, surprises do often happen.

Today, we will use the same 'Tale of the Tape' strategy to compare two famous NBA stars, **Yao Ming & Kobe Bryant** and let you, the readers, decide which one is the better of the two.

Tale of the Tape

	Yao Ming	Kobe Bryant
From	China	US
Born	Sept 12 1980	Aug 23 1978
Height	7ft 6in - 2.29m	6ft 6in – 1.98m
Weight	310lbs – 140.6kg	220lbs – 99.8kg
Years Pro	4	10

Career Highs

Points	41 vs Atlanta	81 vs Toronto
Field goals	16 vs L.A. Lakers	28 vs Toronto
3 points made	1 vs Golden State	12 vs Seattle
Free throws Made	18	23
Free throws Attempted	21	26
Total rebounds	22	15

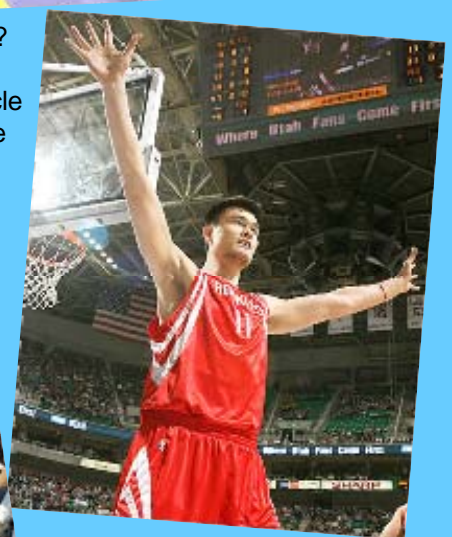
NBA Competition

You've read the statistics, you know the stars, what we'd like you to do now is to decide which of the two NBA stars you think is the greatest. How do they compare and what makes one greater than the other?

To enter our competition all you have to do is write a short comparative article (no more than 400 words) explaining which of the two stars you consider the greatest and why.

Hand in your written article to the LC – Rm. B418 before the deadline of **Friday 29th of June**

Prizes will be offered to the best 3 articles.



Campus News - Zhuhai Trip

Remember in the last issue of the LC newsletter we told you about the **Putonghua Singing & Recital Competitions**? In this issue we follow up with a brief look at the prize winners who enjoyed a visit to Zhuhai on the 24th of March as part of their prize.

Let's hear from one of our teachers, **Simon Lam** who also took part in the visit.

珠海大學城交流日

回想上一次到國內交流已是大學時代的事了。常聽說國內的發展一日千里，這次有機會與青衣、摩利臣山及屯門分校的老師學生一同到珠海交流，實在感到萬分雀躍。

交流當天學生要用普通話交談，開始時大家有點害羞，不敢開口，但慢慢給整個輕鬆愉快的氣氛所感染，大膽以普通話與國內老師及學生談話。當天行程非常豐富，我們除了參觀北京師範大學珠海分校以及中山大學，也給安排了到市內觀光，瞭解一下國內的發展情況。

交流日下午我們到中山大學參觀，聽中山大學老師介紹圖書館的設計理念。該圖書館是由法國建築師設計的，他把圖書館設計成一本翻開了的書，而兩座建築物間的一條長長階梯，寓意「書山有路勤為徑」。我想一所大學之所以能為整個城市添上文化氣息，其背後的心思着實起了重要的作用。

相比香港的大學，國內大學幅員十分廣大，但當天給我們學生留下最深印象的，不是兩所大學的先進、完備設施，而是當地學生以普通話介紹校園設施及歷史時的表現。他們說話有條不紊、生動活潑、大方得體、見識廣闊，我們的學生都十分欣賞及讚嘆。這次交流給我們的學生開了眼界，令他們瞭解到國內的情況，明白到自己的未來充滿挑戰。如何能裝備自己去迎接這些挑戰？我想排除溝通障礙是第一要訣，而學好語文，尤其是學好普通話，是不二法門。



Zhu Hai Visit Group Photo



University Museum



Library building



HK & Zhu Hai Students



HK & Zhu Hai Students



Interview with the VP – Ms Evon Ying

Continuing our theme of interviewing senior members of staff, in this issue we are very happy to bring you an interview with our current **Vice Principal Ms Evon Ying**.

Three of our student interviewers, **Fish, Florence and Maurice** were invited to speak to Ms Ying and here's what they found out...

NL: How long have you worked for the VTC?

VP: I've worked in Tsing Yi since it opened in 1993.

NL: You used to work as HoD of the BSM Dept, how is your role of VP different from running a Dept?

VP: As a Department Head you focus on the operation of that particular department, but the role of a VP is much broader.

As VP I help the Principal to run the campus and my role and responsibility is much wider.

NL: Is your position of VP a very stressful job?

VP: I think that stress is relative, what may seem stressful to one person may not be so to another. I prefer to look at my position as interesting rather than stressful.

NL: How do you deal with the pressures of your job?

VP: I exercise. I believe that exercise is a good way to relieve pressure and promote the well being of a person.



Newsletter team with the Vice Principal



The Vice Principal Ms Evon Ying

NL: I believe you are heading the IVE BA Discipline Project, can you tell us something about this?

VP: Yes, I've been involved in the project since September 2006. We look at a series of academic issues from the Discipline perspective. For example course planning, curriculum design, strengthening linkages with industry as a Discipline. We aim to create synergy within the Discipline and develop a quality culture.

NL: In your role as VP, you must have attended many functions on campus, are there any that you found particularly memorable?

VP: I always enjoy Open Day. I particularly enjoy the atmosphere and the students' enthusiasm. Open Day always generates a great campus energy and to see the students' commitment and ownership of the event is very rewarding.

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Interview with the VP – Ms Evon Ying

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VP: This year I found the musical drama Memory Sings very enjoyable. The staging of the drama show involved a lot of work from the students and the event helped promote language and received great support from students and staff from both Tsing Yi and SBI.

I also find the student scholarship award ceremony memorable. It is wonderful to see our students receiving scholarships which have been so generously given by our donors. Staffs' effort in soliciting the scholarships and the generous support given by donors is heart-warming.

NL: You have been very successful in your career, what advice would you offer students in order to be successful in society?

VP: Always do your best and be willing to 'go the extra mile' in whatever you are doing.

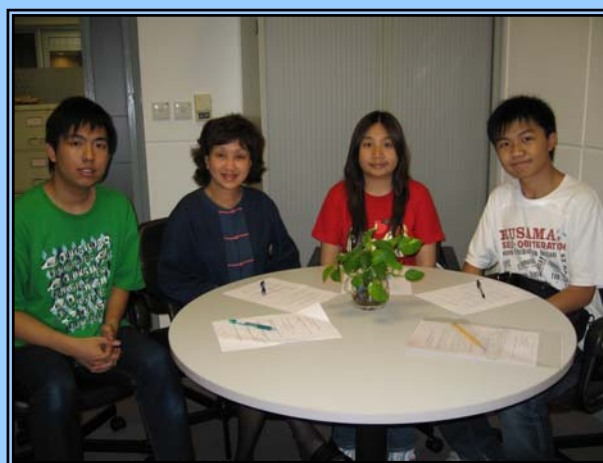
NL: Finally, what advice would you give for someone to be a good student?

VP: Work hard and make the best use of the opportunities available to you in the campus. There are many clubs and societies and I encourage students to actively participate in them. Each department has a variety of programmes, such as industrial visits, seminars, conferences and all these are opened to students to participate in and learn from.

Our campus has a wide range of facilities, such as the Alistair Harvey LRC, sports facilities, so make use of them. Work hard and play hard!

The newsletter team would like to express our sincere thanks to the VP for taking the time in her busy schedule to talk to us.

Many Thanks !



This concludes our series of *LC Newsletter* interviews for this academic year. I would like to thank all the people who have been involved in them.

Firstly, to our interviewees, special thanks to **The Principal – Ms Susanna Chan, The Vice Principal – Ms Evon Ying** and **The Acting Head of the Language Centre – Ms Qiu Xiao Yan**. Thank you all for participating in the interviews

Finally, to the *LC Newsletter* reporting teams consisting of **Fish, Florence, Gloria, Maurice, Moony** and **Victor**. Thanks for all your hard work, I look forward to working with you again next year - (Ed)

MEMORY SINGS

On March the 23rd students of Tsing Yi and SBI jointly held a Broadway Style Musical drama show entitled **Memory Sings**.

This production was coordinated by one of our language teachers **Wong Wing Man** and saw a total of around 40 students from both campuses working together to stage a highly enjoyable performance.

The show which took place in the Assembly Hall of SBI was well attended by both students and staff of Tsing Yi and SBI.

What was it like to participate in the performance? Read on to find out what 2 of the participants had to say about performing in the drama show. First we hear from **Garfield Yuen** who played **Jack** in the SBI performance and later from **Zryrus Lee** who played **Jack** in the first production, held during the Tsing Yi Open Days on the 24th & 25th of November 2006.

Poor all my life I've always been poor....

This song and script I practised many times, rehearsal time about 80 hours

At the beginning people were not focused because they were not experienced, but after 1 month, their dance, singing, script all shaped up. I acted as "jack" for the first time even though I did some performances before, I was still nervous.

For our performance on 23rd March 07 at the SBI Assembly Hall we expected to have 300 viewers, but we were wrong...on that day, there were over 350 viewers. It made me very excited.

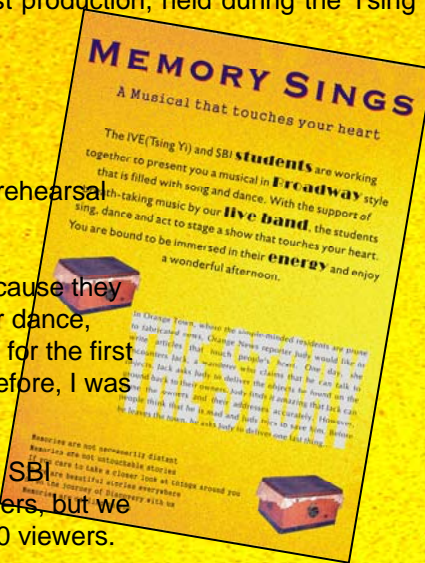
The show was smooth! Because we spent so much time on the show.

But, never mind~! We succeeded, we tried our best~! and I got acquainted with new friends~!

I love drama, I hope I will have more performance opportunities in the future.

Thanks **Man** sir for giving me a chance ~!

(Thanks to Garfield Yuen for his contribution).



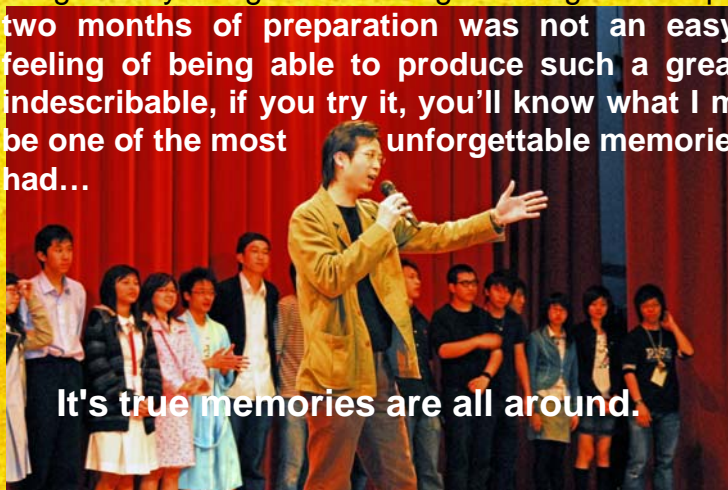
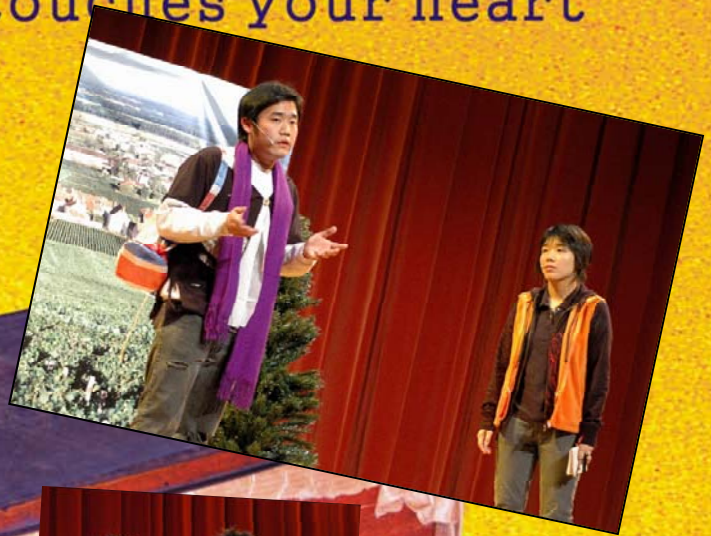
MEMORY SINGS

A Musical that touches your heart

Are you interested in drama?”, everything started with this simple question by my English teacher Wong Wing Man. My decision to join the drama changed my life in VTC. I was so surprised that this drama was totally different from those which I’ve joined before. Through games and workshops, we shared our stories, and with the help of our teacher, we built the drama “Memory Sings”, a story that really belongs to us.

I was so happy having the chance to play the main character, **Jack**. A person who can talk to objects to find out stories behind what touches people’s heart. With 2 months of preparation time, we worked together as a team, as a family, we laughed together; we fought through critical moments together. With limited time, we tried our best to create not only the best drama, but a drama which can touch people’s heart. After our first performance, the applause from the audience, gave me a strong feeling that everything was worth doing, this was the best reward for our efforts.

After the show my school life went back to normal, until one day, Man told me that we are going to have another show together with the students of SBI. For this performance I gave up acting as Jack, and decided to take another even more challenging role, that of **backstage manager**. I never imagined that there were so many things many things a backstage manager is responsible for. The two months of preparation was not an easy time, but the feeling of being able to produce such a great drama is just indescribable, if you try it, you’ll know what I mean. This must be one of the most unforgettable memories I’ve ever had...



It's true memories are all around.

(Thanks to Zyurus Lee for sharing his thoughts).

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Current recipients of Alistair Harvey Scholarships with Mr. John Ruddy

Congratulations !

We would like to offer our congratulations to the following Tsing Yi students who were successful this year in obtaining **Alistair Harvey Scholarships**. They will continue their studies at various universities in the UK after graduation from IVE:

- I. Miss Chan Suk Man Betty (ICT)
- II. Mr. Lam Wing Ho (CN)
- III. Mr. Li Man Ling Edmond (Eng)
- IV. Mr. Un Wing Tai (CN)
- V. Mr. Wong Hang Fai (Eng)

Very well done, we wish you every success with your further studies.

On the 12th of April our campus held a ceremony marking the renaming of our LRC to the **Alistair Harvey Learning Resources Centre**. This renaming was in recognition of the opportunities made available to IVE students by the **Alistair Harvey Scholarship Foundation**.

The **Alistair Harvey Scholarship Foundation** was set up at the request of **Mr. Alistair Harvey** who wished his fortune be used after his death to help educate Hong Kong Students in UK universities. The foundation was created in 2004 shortly after Mr. Harvey's death and offers scholarships to students of IVE to continue their studies in the UK after graduating from IVE.

The scholarship is administered by **Mr. John Ruddy** who acts as trust protector of the foundation and Mr. Ruddy was in Hong Kong to mark the renaming of our LRC.

There are currently 17 students studying in the UK and 12 more will join them this September. This year TY campus is very well represented having a total of 5 students who successfully completed two rounds of interviews and were awarded scholarships.

The LRC renaming was marked by a ceremony that was well attended by members of the VTC senior management and also by a selection of scholars who are currently in receipt of scholarships and studying in the UK.

Tsing Yi would like to express our sincere thanks to **Mr. Ruddy** and **The Alistair Harvey Scholarship Foundation** for all the support and generosity they have given to IVE students since the commencement of the foundation in 2004.

Thank You !



Unveiling of the Alistair Harvey Learning Resources Plaque

Competition Winners



Since the last issue of the Newsletter we have held a number of competitions and here are the lucky winners....

A. Calligraphy Competitions

B. New Year Lantern Competitions

Chinese Calligraphy Winners

I. Student Winners:

- 1st Place – 曾灶金
- 2nd Place – 林家喬
- 3rd Place – 呂名心

II. Staff Winners:

- 1st Place – Ms Yeung Siu May (LC)
- 2nd Place – Ms Joyce Li (LC)
- 3rd Place – Ms Joyce Chik (ICT)
Mr. Sam Tseng (LC)

III. Creative Group Winners

- 1st Place – 文沛怡 (BSM)
- 2nd Place – Yu Chi Yuen (CN)
- 3rd Place – 黃澤權 (MIT)

If you would also like to be a winner look out for more Language based activities and competitions in the 07/08 academic year.

I. Student Winners: Chinese Competition

- 1st Place – 郭振熙
- 2nd Place – 楊添淇、黃鴻基、歐陽崇禾、丁暘
- 3rd Place – 張莘敏、鄒佩怡

II. Staff Winners: Chinese Competition

- 1st Place – Ms Lily Li
- 2nd Place – Mr. Sam Tseng
- 3rd Place – Ms Eva Chung

III. Student Winners: English Competition

- 1st Place – Au Yeung Sung Wo, Wong Hung Kei, Yeung Tim Ki

IV. Staff Winner: English Competition

- 1st Place – Li King Fai Philip (Alistair Harvey LRC)

Congratulations to all our winners

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