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Mission Statement

- To promote close liaison between school and home
- To foster friendly relations between parents, school administration and teachers, and among parents themselves
- To improve the welfare of the pupils and of the school, and hence to make the school a better place for the students to study and grow



Standing Committee 2016/17

Honorary Advisor:
Mr. WS Tong
(Principal)
Chairperson:
Ms. Shirley Wong
(Parent)
Vice-Chairperson:

Ms. Cecilia Tang
(Teacher)

Mr. Simon Lai (Parent)
Honorary Secretaries:
Ms. Carol Ip (Teacher)
Mr. Stephen Chiang
(Parent)
Honorary Treasurers:

Mrs. Florence Chow (Teacher) Mr. Frederick Li

(Parent)

Committee Members:
(Teacher)

Mr. Joseph Hui Mr. T Chan Mr. Abraham Ng

Dr. MF Sin (Parent)

Ms. Angela Chan Ms. Lisa Lau Dr. Joseph Lee

Mr. Samuel Shum
Dr. Nicholas Yuen
(Old Boy Ex-officio)
Mr. Alan Lui

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CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE

Time really flies. It's my second time to compose this PTA Annual Report and I realized how quickly my term has come to an end.

"Teamwork Makes the Dream work!" I was so fortunate to have this team of dedicated and committed committee members who helped to make my dream come true again this year. From the Student Community Service in September to the Summer Bridging Programme in August and the many events in between, the team has been with me every step of the way.

In the past year, to sustain the connection between teachers and parents, PTA achieved several events with great success. At the Parent Education Seminar, Annual Dinner and Spring Outing, we had outstanding attendance and support with positive feedback. Through the Summer Bridging Programme, Summer Study Tour, Visit to a Law Firm and a number of programmes of Reading Club and Community Services, we were able to enrich the knowledge and extend the horizon of our students.

Throughout the past year, PTA carried out various reforms that enable PTA to strengthen the foundation and reach its mission effectively. Those initiatives and revamping covered PTA food stall, recruitment of F.1-2 parent helpers, procurement of summer study tour, Chinese painting class, parent performance etc. In addition, guidelines for instant messaging communication among parents for PTA activities and posting of photos/information to website were also established. For these changes, we put together strong parents and teachers in the planning and running. Results and progress are satisfactory.

Donation to school is always one of PTA's goals. For the past years, we have always had achieved a surplus balance every year. This year, with our team's hard work of launching new PTA souvenirs and selling, the sales volume was boosted. Together with energetic contribution of the working team in the Summer Bridging Programme, PTA's donation to school reached new height. In view of the several projects on the school's table, we decided to donate such surplus as a contribution to some of these urgent projects, such as the track repair work and renewal of projectors for junior forms.

Without parents' support and generosity, none of the above achievement would have been accomplished.

In the past year, I really felt touched that Brothers and our new Principal Mr. Tong took time to join and support our PTA activities. With the support and guidance of Mr. Tong, PTA was offered many opportunities to get involved in school operations and events in the past year. Old Boys' Association (OBA) and La Salle Primary School PTA are all along the close partners of PTA. With the same aim to support La Salle, over the year, we kept our sharing with and supporting each other. Through the close connection with the Lasallian Family, the school spirit was also fostered among parents. I hope that La Salle spirit that our parents built will instill a sense of pride in our La Salle students that can yield lots of wonderful results. I believe we are beginning to see the fruits of parents' effort.

Finally and again, I would like to take this opportunity to express outright my deep gratitude to committee members, parents and school for their dedication and unfailing support to me. I wish that the new term of PTA Standing Committee every success and it continues to flourish and serve La Salle College for the coming year. Thank you.

May God Bless La Salle,
Shirley Wong
LSCPTA Chairperson 2016/17

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Over the past year, PTA achieved many accomplishments to implement the mission of PTA.

1. Annual General Meeting

- The 23rd Annual General Meeting (AGM) was successfully held on 30 Sep 2016.
- In the AGM, the Financial Report and Annual Report of the Year 2015-2016 were presented.
- Presentation on eLearning was conducted during the vote counting at the AGM.
- With all Standing Committee Members confirmed at the meeting, Mr. Anthony Wong was appointed as Honorary Auditor of PTA.

2. Standing Committee Meetings

- Six Standing Committee meetings (12 Oct 2016, 15 Dec 2016, 13 Feb 2017, 10 Apr 2017, 15 Jun 2017 and 21 Aug, 2017) were held during the year in the school's PTA Room. Committee met mainly to organize and manage a year round program of events and to handle requests and issues arose during the year.
- Minutes of the Standing Committee Meetings are available to members upon request.

3. Admission of new members

226 new members were admitted to PTA during the year.

4. IMC Parent Manager Election 2016/17

• Mr. Simon Lai (Vice Chairperson of PTA) was the sole nominee and was automatically recommended to register as the IMC Parent Manager again for the year 2016-2017.

5. Communication with members

- Through PTA website (http://www.lscpta.org) to share the PTA digital information including photos, eNews, eCirculars and eForms by hosting and updating the website.
- Through Home-School Co-ordinator, Mr. Chan Tong
- eNotice via eClass
- Email address: info@lscpta.org

 Through Form Co-ordinators, Parent Community Leaders, Standing Committee Members

6. PTA Product Selling

- A merchandising team (Ms. Angela Chan, Mr. Samuel Shum, Mrs. Rebecca Lee, Mrs. Mavis Ling) was in charge of product design, procurement, stock management, parent helper's recruitment and product selling.
- During the reporting year, the team worked devotedly in the following events:
 - ♦ Teachers' Day
 - ♦ Family Fun Day
 - ♦ LSPS Spring Carnival
 - ♦ F.1 Registration Day
- New PTA products this year
 - ♦ String Bag
 - ♦ Long Umbrella
 - ♦ First Layer Leather Belt

7. Reading Club

i. Sub-committee Members

- Parents: Mr. Albert Cheng, Ms. Elaine Ho, Mr. Eric Chan, Mr. Owen Chan, Mr. Stephen Chiang (PTA Standing Committee Member), Ms. Sees Kwong, Ms. Lisa Lau (PTA Standing Committee Member), Mr. Jackson Pak, Mr. Stanley Wong
- Teacher Advisors: Mr. Lau, Mr. Mak

ii. Members

- No. of Students: 127
- No. of Parents: 72

iii. Regular meetings/ Book sharing sessions/ Special Programme

- Parent tutor training: 24 Sep 2016
- 1st Gathering: 8 Oct 2016 "籃球與夢想" Speakers 殷培基、梁國成、蘇伊俊
- 2nd Gathering: 12 Nov 2016 "Run to transform 長跑. 可以改變生命" Speaker 梁百行
- 3rd Gathering: 10 Dec 2016 "親子理財" Speaker 李錦
- 4th Gathering: 18 Feb 2017"模特兒碰上 VR 新世代" Speaker 吳世 寧、陳彥婷,HK01 協辦 LSC & MCS
- 5th Gathering : 4 Mar 2017 Joint School whole day event (with Maryknoll Convent School)
 - ♦ Taster OCamp

- ♦ No. of LSC participants : 73 students + 37 parents
- 6th Gathering: 13 May 2017 Speaker Ms. Vivian Lau
- Thank you lunch

Following the success of last year's joint-school activity, this year Reading Club organized an event named "Taster Ocamp" with MCS Reading Club. It was a whole day activity conducted at LSC School Hall. In total, 196 students and parents participated in the event. This activity was an opportunity for students to build relationships & trust, open up new friendship and to feel more connected through a series of team building activities. We invited an experienced guest coordinator, Mr. John Pang to get involved in organising the event. Students had an exciting and inspiring gathering and also had a great deal of fun on that day.

8. Community Services Team

- i. Parent Co-ordinators: Mrs. Frances Ho & Mrs. Pauline Leung
- ii. Parent Helpers: 152 parents
- iii. Scope of Work/ Services
 - Daily support to school library
 - Students' community services
 - Parents' community services
 - Liaison with host families for Exchange programmes
 - F.1 Registration Day
 - VIA Training
 - Study's academic activities
 - Joyful Fruit Day

9. Chinese Calligraphy and Painting class

- i. Parent Co-ordinator: Mrs. Alice Chiu
- ii. Participants
 - 1st quarter: 15 parents
 - 2nd quarter: 15 parents
 - 3rd quarter: 15 parents
 - 4th quarter: 14 parents

PTA has been organizing the class for parents since 2006. Each year, more than 40 lessons are held on every Saturday morning. The class was led by Master MUI Wai Kong who specializes in Lingnan artistic style. Due to reforming and administrative reasons, the class will be closed for a period in the new school year 2017/18.

10. Parent Football Club

i. Parent Co-ordinator: Mr. Patrick Chan

ii. No. of Members: 51

The soccer field was reserved by PTA every Saturday afternoon and this provided a good opportunity for parents with common interest in soccer meeting together to enhance communication and understanding with each other through soccer games.

11. PTA Recreation / Events



2016/17 Events organized by PTA

i. LSC Family Fun Day (18 Dec, 2016)

Running a PTA food stall and product selling booth have been a tradition of PTA supporting the Family Fun Day since 2002. While the food stall of Chinese dumplings has been running for over 10 years, to bring in some new ideas, we

brought in a new parent team to revamp the food stall this year. The food stall named as "PTA Gourmet Paradise" was welcomed by Fun Day participants with new attractive food of chicken wings, waffle, toasts, curry puff, shrimp slices etc.

Though we encountered some constraints on the sales arrangement this year, with the full team support of PTA committee members', all the operations ran smooth and the sales of our PTA products were desirable. Following our previous practice, the proceeds went towards the Hong Kong Lasallian Mission Fund and to local charities successfully.

ii. Parent Education Seminar I: 'Subject choices in F.4 placement (中四選科分享)' (20 Jan, 2017)

With the aim to explain subject requirements of various JUPAS Programmes and to elaborate on some common misconceptions in choosing elective subjects, a talk by Mrs. Florence Chow, our PTA teacher member, was the focus of the seminar with a sharing session by F.6 alumni students on their successful experiences in making subject choices. The content was effective, and the talk concluded with a big applause from the audience. The sharing of old boys was so touching and won the hearts of audience. This parent education seminar outstripped the previous attendance record with about 600 attendees filling up the hall. Audience enjoyed and loved the talk. Everything they heard was overwhelmingly positive and they wished it could have gone on longer.

iii. Spring Outing (MacLehose Trail + the High Island Reservoir + West Dam + Yim Tin Tsai) (4 Feb, 2017)

A one-day tour was organized after the Chinese New Year public holidays. It was a success and well commented by the 48 participants including parents, students and guests including Br Jeffrey, Principal and three teachers.

The weather was fine on that day.

Our trip kicked off with a visit to MacLehose Trail, the High Island Reservoir and the West Dam. We all had a nice walk along the trail and enjoyed the natural beauty of the coastlines. After a lovely lunch at a Chinese restaurant having tastiest seafood, we took a 15-min boat ride and visited another highlight of the trip, Yim Tin Tsai. It's an island nearby Saikung, at where the St. Joseph's Chapel was found. From participants' feedback, the day tour was found to be eye-opening, worthwhile and enjoyable to them.

iv. LSCPTA Annual Dinner (25 Mar, 2017)

The PTA Annual Dinner has always been a highlight of the LSCPTA calendar every year. It provides an invaluable opportunity for the Lasallian Family members - students, parents, teachers and honorable guests - to enjoy a memorable evening together. This year our theme for the event was 'La Salle Palace'. There were funfilled entertainments throughout the night related to the theme. Many guests were dressed-up with royal costumes which added to the joyous atmosphere. Everyone had a wonderful time forming new acquaintances and renewing old ones in this joyful evening and the level of appreciation was evident from the applause at the end of the dinner.

v. LSC Joyful Fruit Day (25 Apr, 2017)

La Salle College has been one of the schools supporting the Joyful Fruit Day event organized by the Department of Health. The aim of the event is to encourage students to have the habit of eating fruit daily for healthy living. Following past practice, PTA offered sponsorship for buying fruits to students and school staff and 16 parent helpers were recruited for this event.

vi. Parent Education Seminar II: 'Healthy Diet' (28 Apr, 2017)

In order to encourage students to follow healthy eating and prevent overweight, as recommended by IMC, a talk by Mr. Frankie SIU Pui Lam (蕭沛霖), a Sport Nutritionist was conducted. Mr. SIU's well prepared 45-minute presentation on healthy eating was impressive. With in-depth professional knowledge, Mr. SIU offered many healthy-eating tips to our college students. The audiences were delighted with the opportunity to ask questions to cope with their family's diet concerns. To enhance the effectiveness of the talk, a survey to understand the eating habit of our students was conducted by the school and speaker's advice and view was sought. In summary, the feedback of the talk was very positive.

vii. Law Firm Visit (15 May, 2017)

In order to raise our boys' awareness of the importance of communication and speaking skills which are also fundamental to their career success, we arranged a learning visit to a law firm during which lawyers could do valuable sharing with our boys. With PTA committee member's professional network, a global law firm in Central (with 3 LSC old boys) helped organise this visit for 25 boys focusing on sharing and briefing of English communication skills. On that day, students were given an introductory briefing, a tour around the firm and a Q&A session on communication skills & pre-requisites of being a lawyer/solicitor. Students

showed great appreciation regarding the visit & some also showed interest in becoming as solicitors/lawyers.

viii. Joint School Event (with St. Paul Secondary School & Pui Tak Canossian College) Yunnan Study Tour "South of The Colorful Clouds" (25 Jun - 1 Jul 2017)

In order to help students further develop their understanding of the Yunnan Province, its rich culture and history, and its renowned stunning scenery, the La Salle College Parent Teacher Association organized a Yunnan Study Tour "South of The Colorful Clouds" from the 25 Jun to the 1 Jul, 2017. The study tour was a joint-school project with St. Paul's Secondary School (SPSS) & Pui Tak Canossian College (PTCC) and was assisted by the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR. During the 8-day cultural immersion tour, 28 of our LSC boys, 8 of SPSS girls and 16 PTCC gained insights into Yunnan. The students were exposed to various eye-opening places through carefully chosen site visits, including visiting Black Dragon Pool 黑龍潭, Yuhu Village 玉湖村, Locke House 洛克故居, Baisha murals & Dongba Symbols 白沙壁畫及學習東巴文字. Based on the feedback of the participants, the study tour was remarkably informative and enriching.

ix. Summer Bridging Programme for F.1 students (19-25 Aug, 2017)

A week-long Summer Bridging Programme has been held in mid Aug for the new Form 1 students starting years ago. Students attend classes in English, Chinese, Mathematics, Integrated Sciences and also a day camp at school campus etc. The programme is intended to help students adjust to the new study environment and teaching/learning pattern in secondary school, cultivate students' self-discipline, self-management and adversity quotient. La Salle College promotes healthy living and healthy life styles through a highly active sports and ECA programme. With the detailed and effective planning, supervising, coordinating and executing, the programme was successfully conducted this year with all the objectives achieved.

- Programme schedule
 - ♦ F.1 Registration Day
 - Briefing Session (12 Jul 2017)
 - ◆ Registration (13-14 Jul 2017)
 - ◆ F.1 Parent Orientation Day (15 Jul 2017)
 - ♦ Summer Bridging Programme
 - Opening Ceremony (19 Aug 2017)

- ◆ Normal lessons (21-24 Aug 2017)
- ◆ Training Day Camp (25 Aug 2017)

12. Support and Participation in School Events and Lasallian Family Events

- Chairperson attended the LSC Speech Day on 15 Nov 2016.
- Chairperson attended the LSPS Speech Day on 18 Nov 2016.
- Chairperson joined the adjudicator team and attended the Talent Quest Final on 25 Nov 2016.
- Chairperson and PTA committee members attended the LSCOBA Annual Ball on 17 Dec 2016 with PTA's sponsorship.
- Chairperson attended the LSC Christmas Vigil Mass on 24 Dec 2016.
- Chairperson and PTA committee members attended an opening ceremony of a special art and poetry exhibition on 16 Jan 2017 in which poems were written by Br. Patrick.
- Chairperson and PTA committee members attended and support the Spring Carnivals of La Salle Primary School held on 22 Jan 2017 and ran product selling booth.
- Chairperson and PTA committee members attended the Award Presentation Ceremony of Family Fun Day on 20 Feb 2017.
- Chairperson attended F.3 to F.4 parent gathering on 25 Feb 2017.
- Chairperson attended the Athletics Meet Final on 3 Mar 2017.
- Chairperson and PTA committee members attended the LSCOBA Annual Dinner on 3 Mar 2017.
- Chairperson attended the 17th Kowloon (La Salle) Group Committee Spring Dinner on 5 Mar 2017.
- Chairperson attended the Irish Harp Performance at School Hall on 7 Mar 2017.
- Chairperson joined that St. Patrick's Day Parade on 11 Mar 2017.
- Chairperson and vice-Chairman watched LSC vs. DBS C-Grade football match on 3 Apr 2017.
- Chairperson and PTA committee members attended Sharing Session with P.6 Parents of La Salle Primary School held on 22 Apr 2017.
- Chairperson attended LSPSPTA Annual Dinner on 24 Jun 2017.
- Chairperson and a PTA committee member attended the Graduation Dinner of Class 2017 on 29 Jun 2017.
- Chairperson composed an article for LSCOBA Newsletter in Jun 2017.
- Chairperson attended the LSC 85th Anniversary Concert on 7 Jul 2017 with PTA's sponsorship.
- Chairperson attended the LSC Staff Lunch on 10 Jul 2017.

 Chairperson and vice-Chairman attended the LSCOBA Annual Concert on 17 Sep 2017.

13. Support/ Sponsorship to Students' events/ activities

- The Lasallite Editorial Board
- Student Association (SA) Event: Talent Quest (TQ) on 25 Nov 2016
- Community Services of F.4 students on 30 Sep 2016
- Community Services of F.2 students on 15 Nov 2016
- Community Services of F.3 students on 11 Mar 2017
- Graduation dinner of Class 2017 on 29 Jun 2017

14. Support to Parents

- Remission for PTA membership and Summer Bridging Programme fees for needy students
- Sponsorship to students with financial needs for the Summer Study Tour
- Thank-you Lunch for one- year servicing parents in the past year
 - ♦ Reading Club Helpers
 - ♦ Community Service Team
 - ♦ Library Helpers
 - ♦ Product Selling Team

15. Liaison with Institutions/ Partners

- Chairperson attended the Secondary School Info Day organized by FPAKC on 15 Oct 2016.
- Chairperson and a PTA committee member attended an EDB education forum held in HKU on 5 Nov 2016.
- Chairperson attended the Auxiliary Medical Service Carnival at Sha Tin Park on 5 Nov 2016.
- Chairperson attended the AGM of Federation of PTAs, Kowloon City District at S.K.H. Holy Trinity Church Secondary School on 6 Jan 2017
- Chairperson and a PTA committee member attended the MCSPTA Annual Dinner on 15 Apr 2017
- Chairperson attended a seminar of "No Parents Left Behind! 家長教育無界限" Enabling parental learning on a mobile phone app organised by HKU Faculty of Education on 3 Jun 2017
- Chairperson attended a seminar of "Character Strength Education Sharing" organised by Caritas Family Service on 7 Jun 2017 at LSC theatre
- Supported Eyeglasses Recycling Campaign organized by The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. A total of 252 pairs of glasses were collected.

16. Support to Tendering Exercises of school

- School Uniform
- PE Uniform
- Canteen and Tuck Shop Services
- Laptop computers

17. Donation/ Sponsorship to school

- Track & Field Repair
- Replacement of Projectors for Junior Form 1-2
- PTA pin badges as gifts to teaching staff on Teachers' Day
- Thank you lunch to Teachers, school office staff and Janitors
- Annual Dinner to Teachers, school office staff and Janitors
- Prize donation/ scholarships for Speech Day
- · Chinese New Year Decoration Project
- Joyful Fruit Day
- LSC Annual Concert
- All proceeds from the Family Fun Day went to:
 - ♦ The HK Lasallian Mission Fund
 - ♦ Missionaries of Charity
 - ♦ The HK Anti-Cancer Society
 - ♦ Little Sisters of the Poor
 - ♦ The Society for the Relief of Disable Children

YOUR SUPPORT

- Please visit our website www.lscpta.org and keep yourself updated of PTA activities.
- Finally I believe that our new Standing Committee will always open to get feedbacks and suggestions from members to develop and run the PTA efficiently. You could send your suggestions or comments to info@lscpta.org.

"If we didn't work together like a swarm of bees, we would never achieve success as sweet as honey."

Thank you!