



From : The Headmaster  
To : Parents, Teachers and Students of DBS  
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**Please note the following:**

1. **迎戰文憑試**：為加強 G12 同學對中學文憑試中國語文科的備戰能力，中文組準備了不同的「備試活動」。詳情如下：

活動/講座	內容
拆解綜合寫作四柱評分新趨勢工作坊	日期：2019年9月5日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院
卷三聆聽及綜合能力模擬試 (第一場)	日期：2019年9月19日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院禮堂
卷二寫作能力模擬試 (第一場)	日期：2019年9月26日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院禮堂
聯校口語溝通模擬考試活動 (第一場) (拔萃男書院、拔萃女書院、嘉諾撒聖瑪利書院、 嘉諾撒書院及保良局董玉娣中學)	日期：2019年10月12日(六) 時間：上午9時至下午1時 地點：拔萃男書院
*卷三聆聽及綜合能力模擬試 (第二場)	日期：2019年10月17日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院禮堂
卷二寫作能力應試講座	日期：2019年10月24日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院演奏廳
*卷一閱讀能力模擬試 (第一場)	日期：2019年10月31日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院禮堂
聯校口語溝通模擬考試活動 (如適用) (與拔萃女書院聯辦) (第二場)	日期：2019年11月2日(六) 時間：上午9時至下午1時 地點：拔萃女書院
*卷二寫作能力模擬試 (第二場)	日期：2019年11月7日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院禮堂
*卷一閱讀能力模擬試 (第二場)	日期：2019年11月14日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院禮堂
*卷二寫作能力模擬試 (第三場)	日期：2019年11月21日(四) 時間：上午10時40分 地點：拔萃男書院禮堂
卷四說話能力模擬試 (第三場)	日期：2019年聖誕假期內 備注：跨校模擬小組討論口試

\*校外統一評改

在課程上，本組特別為高中級編寫了以下的校本教材：《高中級校本文言文自學課程》、《高中級校本文言文延伸課程》及《高中級校本白話文補充上下兩冊課程》，以配合新課程12篇章的考核，加強白話及文言篇章的閱讀理解訓練。此外，為加強學生的寫作能力訓練，本組亦備有《高中級校本寫作補充課程》第二版及《高中級校本論證手冊》，以迎合課改及考評的需要。除上述的校本教材外，本組所編寫兩套的《中華美格言》筆記，期盼能增潤高中同學對中國文化的認識。至於初中級，中文組亦特別編寫了不同的校本課程，如初中級《校本文言文自編課程》、《成語學習檔案》、《別字辨識手冊》、《邏輯教室》、《初中級校本寫作補充課程》、《初中級校本論證手冊》、《初中級校本文化補充課程》及《初中級校本語文知識補充課程》等，目的是希望鞏固初中同學的語文基礎知識，為未來的文憑試鋪路。一如過往，為培養中一同學的自主學習態度，配合新高中中國語文科的課程精神，本組繼續在圖書館設立自主學習角，延伸「自主學習」精神。懇請家長督促 貴子弟努力溫習，共同為文憑試作好準備。

2. **P.T.A. Inauguration Ceremony:** The P.T.A. Inauguration Ceremony will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, 5 October in the School Hall. Afterwards, parents can meet their sons' Class Teachers in their respective classrooms and speak with other subject teachers, the Deans or the Headmaster if necessary.

3. **Inter-School Swimming Competition**

**Day One:** The first day of the Inter-School Swimming Competition is Friday, 18 October. Swimmers and officials must attend the events at the Kowloon Park Swimming Pool. Prefects will be excused from classes to cheer for our swimming team there and must report to the teachers on duty at 8:05 a.m.

**Finals:** The Inter-School Swimming Competition Finals will be held on Friday, 25 October at the Kowloon Park Swimming Pool. Prefects will be excused from classes to cheer for our swimming team there and must report to the teachers on duty at 8:05 a.m.

4. **DBS Mentoring Scheme for G11 and G12 Boys:** Career planning is an ongoing process through which young people gain a better understanding of their interests, personality, family, school, community and world and helps them choose their careers and lifestyle. The Careers Office Mentoring Scheme is a great opportunity for students to expand their network and further their personal and professional development. Student mentees will be matched with Old Boy mentors who support, encourage and help them determine the right path for their career aspirations and advise them throughout their academic journeys.

A briefing session for G11 boys will be held on Wednesday, 23 October. Interested students can submit their registration online. G12 boys who did not register last year are also welcome. The registration deadline is Friday, 15 November 2019. For details, please visit the Careers Office webpage or contact Mrs. Jenny Tso at 2768 5611 or Ms. Sharon Chan at 2768 5698.

5. **G10 and G11 English Mid-term Tests:** The captioned tests based on Paper 1 Reading and other taught items (for G10) will be held on the following days:

G10 – Period 4 on Wednesday, 23 October

G11 – Period 4 on Wednesday, 6 November

The time allocated will be 40 minutes. No make-up tests will be given. *The Vocabulary Section will be done as a quiz in class within the same week of the respective tests.*

6. **Senior English Oral Assessments and Exams:** The captioned tests will be held on the following dates:

G10 Oral Exam: after school on Thursday, 28 November 2019

G10 Summative Oral Assessment: in class from 28 October - 8 November 2019

G11 Summative Oral Assessment: in class from 11-22 November 2019

G11 Oral Exam: after school on Thursday, 28 May 2020

G12 Oral Exam: after school on Thursday, 21 November 2019

7. **Fete Lunch 2019:** You are cordially invited to the Garden Fete 2019 from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, 3 November. Your support to the School is greatly appreciated. The Diocesan Boys' School Parent-Teacher Association Limited will serve a Fete Lunch. Should you be interested, please make cheques payable to 'DBSPTA Ltd' for a sum of \$220 per head and address all gifts and donations to **Ms. M.C. Chan of the School Library.**

8. **Influenza Vaccination:** Vaccination for parents and students will be provided from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 15 November in the School Hall. Details will be disclosed via parents' eClass account.

9. **Inter-House Swimming Finals 2019:** Four individual records were broken: 1 in A Grade and 3 in C Grade. Ng Cheuk Yin (Goodban) and Chan Tsz Kwan (Sykes), the record breakers, won the A and C Individual Championships respectively. Cheng Kam Fung (Sargent), Chu Ho Yin (Featherstone) and Kung Lok Sum (Featherstone) shared the B Grade title. Goodban House won the Medley Relay with the record time of 1:50.41.

Arthur House captured the A Grade and Overall titles. Featherstone House won in B Grade and Sykes House in C Grade. Congratulations to all record breakers and winners.

Thanks should be given to our Timing Squad, Scouts, Sports Injuries & First Aid Squad and staff for their hard work that ensured the smooth running of this year's Swimming Gala.

10. **Student Guidance Team:** Students facing any problems should feel free to contact their teachers in charge:

Grade 7	Ms. Y. N. See	2768-5670
Grade 8	Ms. H. K. Chan	2768-5677
Grade 9	Mr. K. Lee	2768-5661
Grade 10	Ms. W. M. Chow	2768-5661
Grade 11	Ms. S. K. Lam	2768-5670
Grade 12	Ms. L. Yuen	2756-5677
Co-ordinator	Ms. M. C. Chan	2768-5635
Social Worker	Mr. Lau Chung Kit	*2768-5614
Social Worker	Mr. Hui Nelson	*2768-5613

\*Please note that the telephone numbers of two social workers have been changed.

11. **The S.J. Lowcock Foundation Scholarship:** This Scholarship enables our economically-disadvantaged students to continue with their tertiary education locally or overseas. Application forms can be obtained from the Dean of Students and the deadline for application is the end of April 2020.
12. **The Jacland Lai Foundation Scholarship:** This Scholarship helps musically-gifted students or Old Boys to advance their musical achievement. Application forms can be obtained from the Dean of Students and the deadline for application is the end of April 2020.
13. **The George She Foundation Fund Award:** This Award aims to provide financial assistance to students of DBS to pursue their interest or advance their performance in extracurricular activities, in particular in the areas of sports and music. Application forms can be obtained from the Dean of Students and the deadline for application is the end of April 2020.
14. **The Terence Chang Award:** This Award is for deserving current boys who have shown outstanding achievement in their academic or creative pursuits. Awards shall be given out to students in both lower (G8 – G9) and upper (G11 – G12) grades. Application forms can be obtained from the Dean of Students and the deadline for application is the end of April 2020.
15. **The Terence Chang Foundation:** To encourage students to engage in more independent research under the guidance of teachers, the Terence Chang Foundation will award students a maximum of HK\$100,000 per annum for self-initiated project learning. Individual students working on their own projects can receive awards of up to HK\$10,000, while collaborating students can receive between \$20,000 and \$50,000, depending on the nature of their project. The money awarded must be used exclusively for the actualisation of the projects.

Application forms are obtainable in September from the Headmaster's Office. The deadline is the first Friday of January 2020. Results of the application will be announced in February 2020, and the awardees must complete their projects by the first Friday of September 2020. Detailed rules and regulations are provided on the application form.

16. **Spirit of DBS Award:** Grade 11 and 12 students can apply for the Spirit of DBS Award. The two winners will take part in a two- to three-week overseas summer programme which emphasises learning through "out-of-class" experiences. Students will be given an opportunity to participate in events beyond academic fields, such as cultural, sports and political events. Students can choose their own programmes of interest as long as they can fulfill the above criteria and receive the approval of the Headmaster. Alternatively, they can join a tailor-made programme by Old Boys and live with the families of Old Boys whilst participating in the programme. The Award aims to help develop future leaders through enriching experiences.

The Award fully covers all expenses and spending money for this programme, equivalent to HK\$25,000 per student. Application forms can be obtained from the Dean of Students and the deadline for application is the end of February 2020.



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