



#### **Foreword**

YHKCC alumni, as one of our most valuable assets, have contributed substantially to the success of the YHKCC. It also represents the fruitful achievements of the school. YHKCC is striving to reach, serve and engage our alumni and to form a powerful network of connections, building a strong family tree with a prosperous YHKCC spirit.

"It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his garden.

It grew and became a tree, and the birds perched in its branches."

(Luke 13:19)



## **Message from The Principal**

t is my great pleasure to share with all of you the outstanding achievements of our talented alumni. Throughout the sixteen years since the school was established, we have nurtured students who have not only excelled in their academic pursuits but also developed all-round skills and attained exceptional achievements in the domains they have a strong passion for or are talented at. They have carved out their own paths in various fields of work both here in Hong Kong and around the globe. Each journey is unique and their stories are powerful. Among them are designers, engineers, elite athletes, performing artists, dentists and nurses, who are very much dedicated to serving our community.

I am proud to say that our students are active learners who display independent thinking, initiative and creativity. They are responsible citizens with positive values and commitment and capable leaders with clear vision and collaborative skills. Regardless of their talents and expertise, they put in their best effort to create their own success stories. I am blessed and grateful to see the remarkable personal growth of our alumni, and I have no doubt that they will excel in their future roles and make fruitful contributions to society.

My heartfelt gratitude goes to parents and teachers for the concerted and endless effort and support in enhancing the whole-person development of our young people, grooming them to be future leaders with benevolent minds and caring hearts. We will continue to uphold our vision and mission to nurture youngsters who embed the 14 intellectual character dispositions of the YHKCC Learner Profile, providing an education which is 21st century relevant.

I sincerely wish you enjoy reading these success stories.

May the Lord always be with you and your family.



#### **YHKCC DNA**



Happs Kaur Class of 2006 Secondary School English Teacher



Gogo Chan
Class of 2009
Google Designer



Winnie Lo
Class of 2010
A Solicitor in
Wilkinson & Grist



Izzy Jose Class of 2013 Performing Artist



Robbie Wu Class of 2015 Hong Kong Team Footballer



Mark Coebergh Class of 2016 Hong Kong Team Rugby Player



Christopher Olsson Class of 2016 HKUST Aerospace Engineering



Ajit Namakkal Raghavendran Class of 2016 Co-Founder & CTO of Hollo



Jackie Chan Class of 2017 Chinese Martial Arts Hong Kong Team Player



Jasmine Kelly Class of 2017 Musician



Jasmine Alberts
Class of 2018
HKUST Mechanical
Engineering



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Kitty Cheung
Class of 2018

HKU Dental Surgery



Angel Yeung
Class of 2018
Tung Wah College
Nursing



16 Stefan Antonic Class of 2019 Professional Footballer



e all have dreams and all we need is a springboard to launch our dreams.' This has been my belief throughout the years.

I was born and raised in Hong Kong. After the completion of my undergraduate degree at the City University of Hong Kong, a Postgraduate Diploma from Baptist University of Hong Kong and a Graduate Degree from the Chinese University of Hong Kong, I become a secondary school teacher in a local aided school. It is definitely rewarding when you see your students improve and achieve their dreams

I was part of the YHKCC family between 2003 and 2006. During the matriculation years, the YHKCC

helped me to reach my potential through the help of dedicated and devoted teachers. At that time Mr. Dion Chen and Ms. Diana Lo were my class teachers and they exerted a great influence on me by being passionate and conscientious teachers. They gave me a lot of support and shared their personal life experiences which demonstrated today's values in the YHKCC such as 'building a community that cares', 'being responsible' and 'acting with integrity'. All these became my momentum to be a better me and make me understand the importance of giving back to society.

Of utmost importance to success is to plan ahead and focus on one task at a time. Last, but not least, it is also crucial to utilize the most important hours to make each day fruitful.

With a good attitude, even if you do not do well academically, opportunities are always present. 'If I can do this, you can DEFINITELY do this.'



am a Designer at Google in California in the US.

My team creates the software for Chromebooks
and Pixelbook. My role is to design thoughtful and
beautifully crafted experiences for our products.

I am grateful that I can do what I love as my career. I feel lucky to be a Googler. The diversity and open working culture always amaze me. Every day I get to work with and learn from a lot of talented people. It's really exciting to work on high profile projects that can make an impact to millions of people all over the world. It's my fifth year at Google now. Seeing myself growing up progressively throughout these years gives me a lot of satisfaction.

Since I was young, I was interested in arts and crafts. When I was in the YHKCC, I picked Visual

Art as one of my HKCEE subjects. I also designed logos and banners for Taylor House (I am glad to hear that they are still using it now). The YHKCC empowered and encouraged plenty of students, allowing us to explore and do what we like. It's great to see students today continue to grow their passion as well as take responsibilities in school.

Growing up in Hong Kong, I realize it is very easy to just follow other people's path of "success". It's straight-forward and low risk to just follow what was set up by others to gain achievements. Even though we attained success, that is called living others life. Indeed, we should think out of the box, define our own and show the world our personal success. This is our dream and true success.



the University of Hong Kong, I was admitted as a solicitor and joined Wilkinson & Grist as a litigation lawyer in 2017. I now specialize in commercial dispute resolution, mediation and arbitration for both domestic and cross-border disputes. Every day, I need to deal with difficult legal questions and sort out the best legal solutions for clients. It is very common that clients come to me with worries and my biggest satisfaction at work is to see my clients leaving my office with big relief and a smile upon obtaining my legal advice/service.

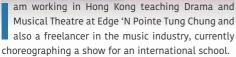
For many lawyers (including myself), working 12-hours per day is not out of the ordinary, and how

you manage the time at work and personal life can be a big headache. I am very fortunate that during my 7 years at the YHKCC, I was taught about the importance of time and stress management and critical thinking, which assists me to properly manage my time and stress and to prepare myself for all the intellectual challenges at work. I am deeply indebted to the teachers of the YHKCC for their teaching, guidance and mentorship. I am certain that the YHKCC will continue to inspire and nurture more future leaders in different fields and professions.

## Izzy, Ysabelle Trujillo Jose Class of 2013

**Performing Artist** 





I have great interest in the Performing Arts. It seems like a tool to navigate and realize what my strengths and passions are. It is not only a channel to bring entertainment and happiness to others, but a way to promote the importance of the arts in education, culture and society. Being a performer, I get to do what I love when I work. It's fulfilling knowing that I'm able to share my knowledge with people who have the same passion and help expand the Performing Arts in Hong Kong. Performing in public is never easy. I still get nervous even if I have performed the same show for a week. I need to remind myself of my responsibility as a performer: to put on a show for the audience. Mental preparation and deep breathing always help.

At the YHKCC, Performing Arts was really taking off when I was a student. I was given opportunities



to perform at school events, and compete in competitions in local / overseas arenas. The teachers helped me hone and enhance these talents and projected the beginnings of my career. The HKAPA programme provided physical and technical training for the intense circumstances and I was given chances to work with professional companies to perform and build connections within the industry. It is a good foundation to my career.

I very much like to help young people realize their potential by bringing Performing Arts into the education sector so they have the opportunity to learn and grow in an environment that helps build life skills more than talent.

"Either you do it or you don't - there's never an inbetween." This is the advice I would like to give to students who are about to start their careers. Immerse yourself in experiences and commit to them.



started my professional athletic career as a football player in 2015 and am currently a full-time student at the City University of Hong Kong, with the major of Bachelor of Social Science in Public Policy and Politics. I am very lucky to be engaged in a two-track development of my dreams.

My greatest satisfaction and achievement so far is being a team player of the Hong Kong Senior Football Team, representing Hong Kong by participating in competitions such as the Asian Games and World Cup Qualification. My biggest honour and encouragement was being awarded *Young Player of the Year* in 2019. It is a booster for me to move on.

It is no doubt that the YHKCC provided an all-round learning environment between academic work and sports development. There were well-organised football teams with professional coaches, offering

systematic training and scheduled competitions to gain experience. The school also provided support and flexibility in academic growth such as delaying deadlines when I was out of school to enter competitions. Also, the autonomy granted along with quidance enabled me to move to the right path as per my preferences and interests. The guidance and support was particularly encouraging when I was lost and confused. No matter in school or at work, whenever we go through hardship, the dark side is always overwhelming. "Easy to quit but hard to uphold it"(放棄容易,堅持很難) I keep myself motivated by imagining the future achievements that would be gained then I push myself harder and harder to fight against the devil. Breaking through bottlenecks at different stages is also the key to success. Spending quality time with family and friends helps me to relax and energize myself to hurdle obstacles.

#### Mark Coebergh Class of 2016

**Hong Kong Team Rugby Player** 



"I know what helps me is being grateful for the opportunity I have been given."





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am currently a final year student at the City University of Hong Kong and also an intern in a Fintech company in Amsterdam. My role is basically to help improve their professional appearance and modernize their company for better recognition with new clients. It is a challenging job which makes use of my understanding of the market trend integrated with the direction of the company.

The YHKCC was great fun for me, looking back now how much fun I had grown up there with friends that are with me now for life. All-round development is one value that stood out to me in particular in the YHKCC. The school was diligent in its effort to teach students the importance of getting a balance between academic work and sports, friendships and other qualities that could contribute to you as a confident, valuable person. I am still under great influence with great appreciation today.

I have set designated targets to hit using the best of my ability. I realise that may be quite a monotonous journey and process, in particular, the rugby training. Personally, I haven't found the best solution or key to cope with it but I know what helps me is being grateful for the opportunity I have been given and making the absolute most out of it regardless if it goes well or not.



am currently in my final year in Aerospace Engineering at The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) and studied in Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech) in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, for one semester last year. Choosing engineering was instinctive but not immediate. I pondered how things work at a young age and was further encouraged by my father from his work. Having an interest in the subject matters itself is accomplishing 50% of the work, as this translates into having a growth mindset and being proactive. The remaining 50% are traits you wish to develop by doing it day in and day out. There are no short cuts. I believed that the discipline and the way of thinking as an Aerospace Engineer would be valuable and applicable to other fields and the aspiration of human beings to become a multiplanet species encouraged me to be a part of the exploration.

I am currently living in Shanghai, working in one of the oldest companies in the industry that produces some of the most efficient turbofan engines. I am excited every day going to work to design new products that can benefit our customers.

YHKCC was an important cornerstone for me, enabling me to dream big and reach for the stars literally. It is a combination of YHKCC core values, lasting friendships as well as the trust and autonomy to be given to each YHKCC student. When I was at the turning point of becoming a young adult in my last two years in the YHKCC, I backed myself and aimed to tackle 4 subjects when the norm was 3. I kept my eye on the prize with perseverance, and finally aced all four subjects which granted me a full scholarship to HKUST. So the moral of the story is to "Know yourself, by stretching yourself and to laugh a lot during the journey. Because life is a journey, not a destination." Only then can the impossible become possible.



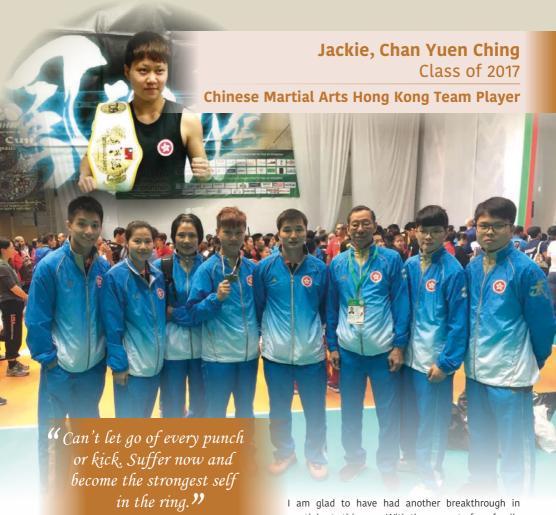
am the Co-Founder & CTO of a Mental Health startup, Hollo, which is based on the idea that won the Microsoft Imagine Cup 2020 World Championship. I am also a Year 5 student studying Computer Science at the University of Hong Kong, as I took a gap year to do a one-year internship.

I am fond of the process of solving problems and being creative, therefore I am passionate about computer science and programming because it helps me bring a lot of positive values to the world. Being able to work on a project that gives me genuine happiness is definitely a benefit that not many people get to experience. Now, I am happy I can work on making the world a better place by raising awareness and making mental health care more accessible.

I always look back with respect at how the YHKCC helped me grow and become a self-sufficient member of society. The attitude I gained from the YHKCC culture played a huge role in my successes.

Friends from other schools often told me how the culture was to bring each other down so that they could win and I am so thankful that YHKCC was the complete opposite. I only have memories where we all helped each other get through thick and thin. That helping attitude has stuck with me even until now. Also, a tip for exams would be to know yourself well and use the most relevant tricks to learn effectively. For example, if you're a visual learner, use graphic content to visualize the information. Lastly, the teachers in YHKCC are always passionate and more than willing to help you at any time. I want to give a particular shout out to Mr. Jonathon Yip, Ms. Cleo Wong and Mr. Isaac Chiu; thank you for all of your time and efforts.

Looking forward, I will continue to devote my career to improving society and be a serial social entrepreneur. I also hope that I can be an inspiration to people who feel like they are underprivileged, but want to succeed in a field as increasingly important as computer science.



ver since I started to learn Chinese martial arts at the age of 9, I was immersed in it along with other combat sports, setting my target to become an outstanding player in the Hong Kong Team. Striking a balance between training, entering competitions and studies is never easy. I am very grateful to the encouragement and support of the Principal, my teachers and classmates, who guided me to put the core values of the YHKCC into practice, manage my time well and pursue my dream.

After years of training, I have achieved remarkable results in international and Asian competitions. The biggest satisfaction came from setting a record of four consecutive victories in Hong Kong.

I am glad to have had another breakthrough in martial arts this year. With the support of my family and coaches, I opened my first Muay Thai gym in Hong Kong and decided to open a branch in Taiwan next year.

I have faced various hurdles and challenges over the years, which have helped me to become a better person. 2019/20 has been a challenging year, with the social movement and the outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic. Training and competitions were suspended from time to time and my achievements were not up to my expectations. However, I never gave up and believe that we can overcome adversity by working together.

May joy and happiness reign around you all today and always.



"I want to make beautiful things, even if nobody cares. -Saul Bass"

fter graduating in 2017, I decided to disregard the conventional idea of going directly to university and instead went on a gap year in Taiwan. After nine months of intensive Mandarin Chinese courses, I was accepted into the International Business Administration program at Tunghai University in Taichung, Taiwan where I am now finishing my first year of studies.

It was at the YHKCC where I cultivated my passion for music, where I found my love of sports and where I learned how to be independent in my studies. It was also where I formed a duo called "The Folk Ups" which I regard as one of my greatest achievements so far.

My dreams for the future are not fixed, but flexible. I would love to advance in my music career as well as start my business career, and hopefully even find a way to combine them both. I have recently released a solo album that was recorded entirely on my iPhone. You can now find it on Spotify, and I'm excited to release more music in the future. I also hope to foster my love of travel and languages in the next stage of my life, which is why I am looking to transfer to a university in Europe for my next semester.

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# Jasmine Alberts Class of 2018

#### Studying Mechanical Engineering at HKUST



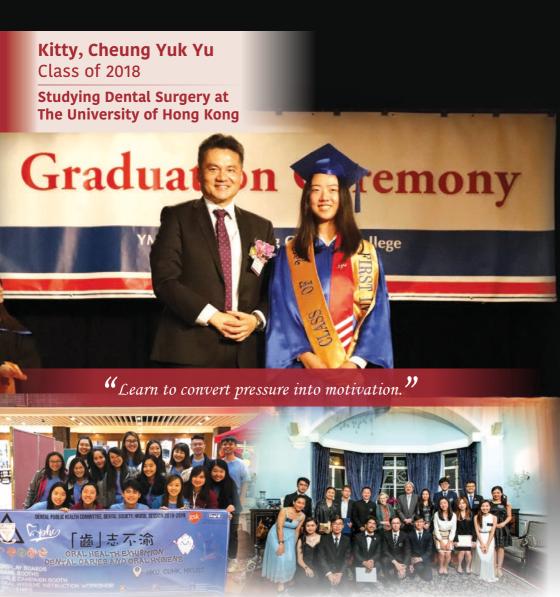
study Mechanical Engineering at HKUST - an interesting and exciting major that can lead into many fields after my graduation. I have finished year one and am very thankful for all the new and exciting opportunities that HKUST has provided me with. I was quite active at the YHKCC, participating in various clubs and societies and found it to be very valuable. This attitude of involvement has translated to university and as such, I have joined societies at HKUST including the Swimming Club, Student Ambassadors, Engineering Student Ambassadors and the Agape Christian Fellowship Club; all of which have helped me to make strong friendships.

University is a lot about self-learning, and I am very grateful to my dedicated YHKCC teachers for teaching me this skill. I took on a self-study subject of Further Mathematics during my A-levels course and my teachers were always very encouraging



and provided me with guidance throughout, thus giving me the confidence to take up challenges at university.

I love the quote "Smooth seas don't make for skillful sailors". Yes, handling public exams and pressure will be tough, but you will grow so much from it all. The tests and assignments at the YHKCC really did prepare me to manage my time at university. So, be persistent!



s a member of the 2024 Bachelor of Dental Surgery class at HKU, I am proud to say that enrolling into this major is one of the best decisions I have ever made. I was not one of those who dreamed of becoming a doctor ever since childhood, but I ended up choosing it because I believe that this is a career that will allow me to help and reach out to more people in need. Academic excellence has always seemed to be one of the prerequisites to succeed in Hong Kong, while there are definitely exceptions. It is for sure your best bet.

Unfortunately, there is no single technique or skill to get good academic results. I struggled a lot through the first year despite thriving in secondary school, because what worked then failed to work in university. Don't be afraid to make changes in different stages of life, sometimes switching things around will actually stimulate your brain to work better. Indeed, true learning is about understanding instead of remembering, regardless of the subject or major. Lastly, learn to convert pressure into motivation, and that will make life a lot easier!

## Angel, Yeung Sum Yu Class of 2018





am glad to be inspired by the YHKCC community service outreach programmes and having the opportunity to be a "white angel".

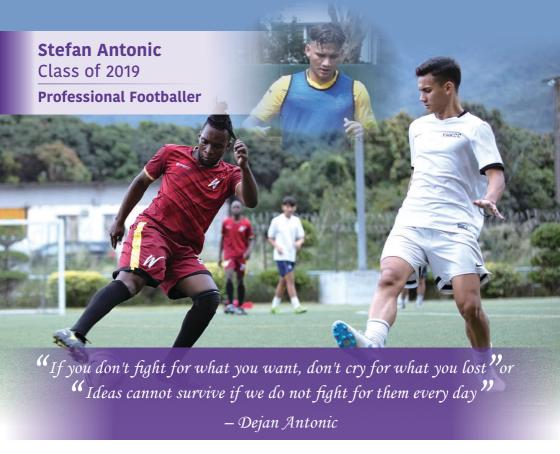
I am currently studying Nursing at Tung Wah College and was always interested in medical related matters so wondered about making it my career since I was in school. Eventually after my service trip to Mongolia with Orbis last summer, I made up my mind to realise it as a very positive choice in life. I desperately want to be a member of the medical team which flies out to different countries to serve people in need.

My biggest satisfaction currently is having a "best-friend". "Anne" is my simulation buddy with whom I practise all my medical skills and equipment. I spend more time with her than the actual human beings who teach us these skills. The feeling is just like what I learned as a student in the YHKCC. Teachers were always there to guide us but indeed, it was our own efforts which enabled us to succeed. Two of the school's core values, "Serve one another in love" and "Act with integrity", really impacted me because with empathy I take different perspectives into consideration as a nurse and also a patient.



More importantly, when the curtains are closed, the patients place their trust in my integrity and knowledge to make them feel better. One clichéd but practical quote, 'Practice Makes Perfect', comes to mind. Teachers in school are mentors providing guidance, but individual effort and perseverance is the key to improvement and success.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive" is a motto I still follow after graduating from the YHKCC. I have continued to deliver within our community services by joining the St. John Ambulance Brigade. Great satisfaction is gained when I help people in need, which is my ideal career aspiration. Through community service, I learned that nothing is taken for granted and we should treasure what we already have. I am energized to spread love, care and happiness as it enriches my life with smiles, worn on my face every day.



recently signed a new contract with Southern FC and transferred from Kitchee SC, playing professional football in top flight of Hong Kong and international football.

Ever since I was 6 years old, I have had a passion to play football and I believe that it is a generational instinct in my family. My father played in the World Cup and my grandpa played in the European Champions League. I felt like I had to live up to their names and make a name for myself.

My biggest satisfaction is definitely being called up for the Indonesian National Team to play in the 2021 World Cup, which is a huge step for me in my career. Also, playing for Red Star Belgrade was a huge honour as they are a very big team in Europe.

What I learned in the YHKCC applies to my football career. Sportsmanship is one of the examples. The school shaped me into the excellent player I am

today. From simple things in PE lessons to tactical and strategic football knowledge, all these gave me a good foundation in physical strength and also equipped me to be a professional footballer.

I have many plans of playing for top flight European Clubs and leagues, inlcuding England, Spain, Italy, Germany and France. Playing for a huge club or representing my own country or club to enter worldwide tournaments is the dream of every football player. I always keep myself motivated to attain better performance and overcome pressure by having several pre-game rituals or spending time with my family or friends to get my mind off the game.

I would like to thank the YHKCC for giving me a great six years in school, I couldn't have had it any better with the guidance and support. I will carry the honour of being a YHKCC alumnus to make the highest possible contribution to the community.

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

(Proverbs 22:6)



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