



WU KAI SHA  
INTERNATIONAL KINDERGARTEN  
烏溪沙國際幼稚園

## Welcome to Wu Kai Sha International Kindergarten

We are one of 22 schools of the English Schools Foundation (ESF), the largest provider of English-medium international education in Hong Kong.

We offer inspiring learning experiences to children aged 3-5 years old.  
We are an authorised IB World School and follow the Primary Years Programme (PYP).



## ESF

The English Schools Foundation was established by the Hong Kong Government in 1967. ESF currently operates:

- five kindergartens
- nine primary schools
- five secondary schools
- two 'all through' schools
- one school for students with special educational needs
- language and sports classes

Our schools are non-selective and admission depends above all on the student's ability to benefit from an ESF education.

Joyful  
Learning



Inspiring  
Curious  
Minds

Personalised  
Pathways

## Our Mission

*In partnership with families we aim to develop confident, creative, knowledgeable children who respect all others and participate actively within the school community.*

*We strive to provide an engaging and enriching environment that stimulates children's curiosity and supports and develops a lifelong love of learning.*



## Learner Profile

At the heart of our curriculum is the 'Learner Profile'. This is a long-term, holistic vision of education that underpins our work and puts the child at the centre of everything we do.

- Inquirers
- Knowledgeable
- Thinkers
- Communicators
- Principled
- Open-minded
- Caring
- Courageous
- Balanced
- Reflective



## School Facilities

- 14 classes / 24 children in each class
- Large well-resourced classrooms
- Indoor and outdoor play spaces including a garden
- ICT resources including interactive whiteboards, student computers and iPads
- Kitchen
- Library



## Staff

We have a wonderful team of staff at Wu Kai Sha who together reflect the international and cultural diversity of Hong Kong. We look forward to working in partnership with you, as parents to provide the best possible learning opportunities for your children.

- *Principal*
- *Curriculum Coordinator*
- *Class Teachers*
- *Teacher of Chinese*
- *Support for Learning*
- *Education Assistants*
- *Admin Team*
- *Support Team*



## K1 Team 2016/17



**Eagle**  
Allys Stafford



**Owl**  
Laura Dehm



**Peacock AM**  
Helen Thomson



**Peacock PM**  
Ines Topps



**Pheasant**  
Claire Harper

## Education Assistants

- 2 working with each K1 class

## *Building confidence and independence*

- ✓ Dress and undress
- ✓ Putting shoes & socks on
- ✓ Use toilet properly
- ✓ Wash and dry hands
- ✓ Tidy up toys etc
- ✓ Follow simple directions
- ✓ Climb up and down stairs
- ✓ Hold and use drawing tools
- ✓ Handle books with care
- ✓ Talking and listening
- ✓ Experience of separation



## School Routines

- Arriving at school
- Name cards
- Games and toys in school
- Uniform, clothing, bags
- Communication
- Snack
- Departing from school / security cards
- Absences, sickness & medication

\* [www.stuckonyou.biz](http://www.stuckonyou.biz)



## Primary Years Programme (PYP)

Concept driven curriculum

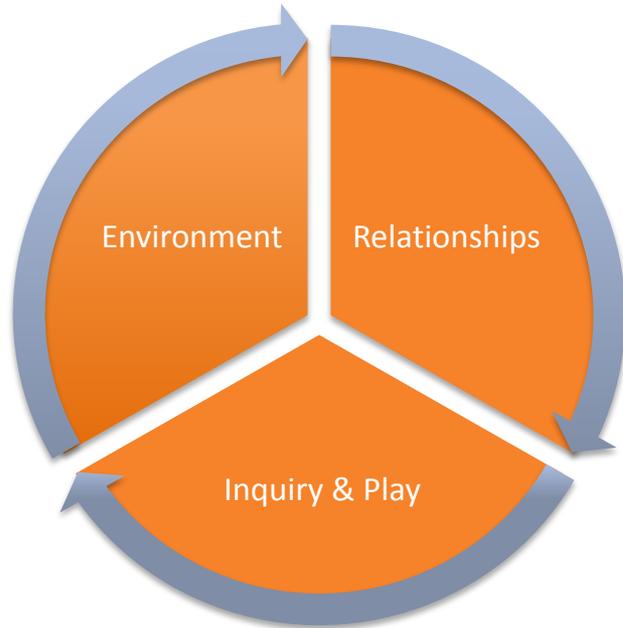
A concept is a big idea. Allows students to gain deeper understandings, as well as facts and skills.

We want children to become...  
**Life long learners**

They will enjoy learning, be adaptable and have the ability to acquire new knowledge and skills.



## Aspects of Learning



*Spontaneous play*

*Planned play*

*Discovery & exploration*

*Real-life experiences & events*

*Focused learning & teaching*



## Outdoor Learning and Cooking

Children's hands-on experiences in the garden, outdoors and kitchen fosters a deeper appreciation of how the natural world sustains us and promotes the environmental and social well-being of individuals and communities.

Growing and cooking enables children to develop a sense of the interconnectedness of the environment, health and well-being, leading to a sustainable future.



## Assessment, recording & reporting

- Tracking
- Use of portfolios
- Conferences
- Shared Learning Days
- Written report
- Access to teacher



## Library

The Wu Kai Sha Library is located at the front entrance of the school. Children use the library with their teachers on a regular basis, and parents are welcome to visit the library at specific times to browse and borrow our resources.



## Supporting Children's Needs

Catering for the needs of all children.

Programmes are differentiated for different skill levels.

We include children with special needs. Providing children with diverse needs with the support they need is part of our inclusion philosophy.

Screening and therapy services.



## Additional Support in School

Small Group Support: where necessary , the following groups may be offered to children

- K2 Language Groups
- K1 & K2 Physical Groups
- K1 Social Groups

Class based support:  
referrals or IEPs



## Outside Agencies

Screenings we offer:

- Hearing
- Speech & Language Therapy
- Occupational Therapy

Information on these will be sent to you early in the new session and we highly recommend you take advantage of these screenings.



## Parent Teacher Association (PSA)

The PSA achieves a tremendous amount each year and plays an integral role in the life of the school by arranging community events and supporting the purchase of additional resources for our children.

### PSA Events 2015-2016

- Second Hand Uniform Sale
- Mooncake Making
- Mid-Autumn Festival - Evening Celebration in Ma On Shan Park
- Special Presentations
- WKS Stall at RCHK School Fair
- Used book Sale
- Christmas/CNY Sale
- Wu Kai Sha Kindergarten Fair (March)





# Communication

- School website
- Gateway
- Email
- Social Media



ESF Wu Kai Sha International Kindergarten



@wukaisha



- WhatsApp
- Messenger groups

# Story Session

*Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August*

# Staggered Start

*Please note arrangements ->*

| AM Session                  | Group A                 | Group B                 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| First Day                   | 16 <sup>th</sup> August | 17 <sup>th</sup> August |
| Time                        | 8.30 - 11.30am          | 8.30 - 11.30am          |
| Second Day                  | 18 <sup>th</sup> August | 19 <sup>th</sup> August |
| Time                        | 8.30 - 11.30am          | 8.30 - 11.30am          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Day & after | 22 <sup>nd</sup> August | 22 <sup>nd</sup> August |
| Time                        | 8.30 - 11.30am          | 8.30 - 11.30am          |

| PM Session                  | Group A                 | Group B                 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| First Day                   | 16 <sup>th</sup> August | 17 <sup>th</sup> August |
| Time                        | 12.30 - 3.30pm          | 12.30 - 3.30pm          |
| Second Day                  | 18 <sup>th</sup> August | 19 <sup>st</sup> August |
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## Additional Information

- School Buses
- Uniform Shop
- Restricted parking
  
- Information Pack
  
- Complete and return “all About Me’ booklet



# Questions...



*Wu Kai Sha Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration,  
Ma On Shan Park, September 2016*