

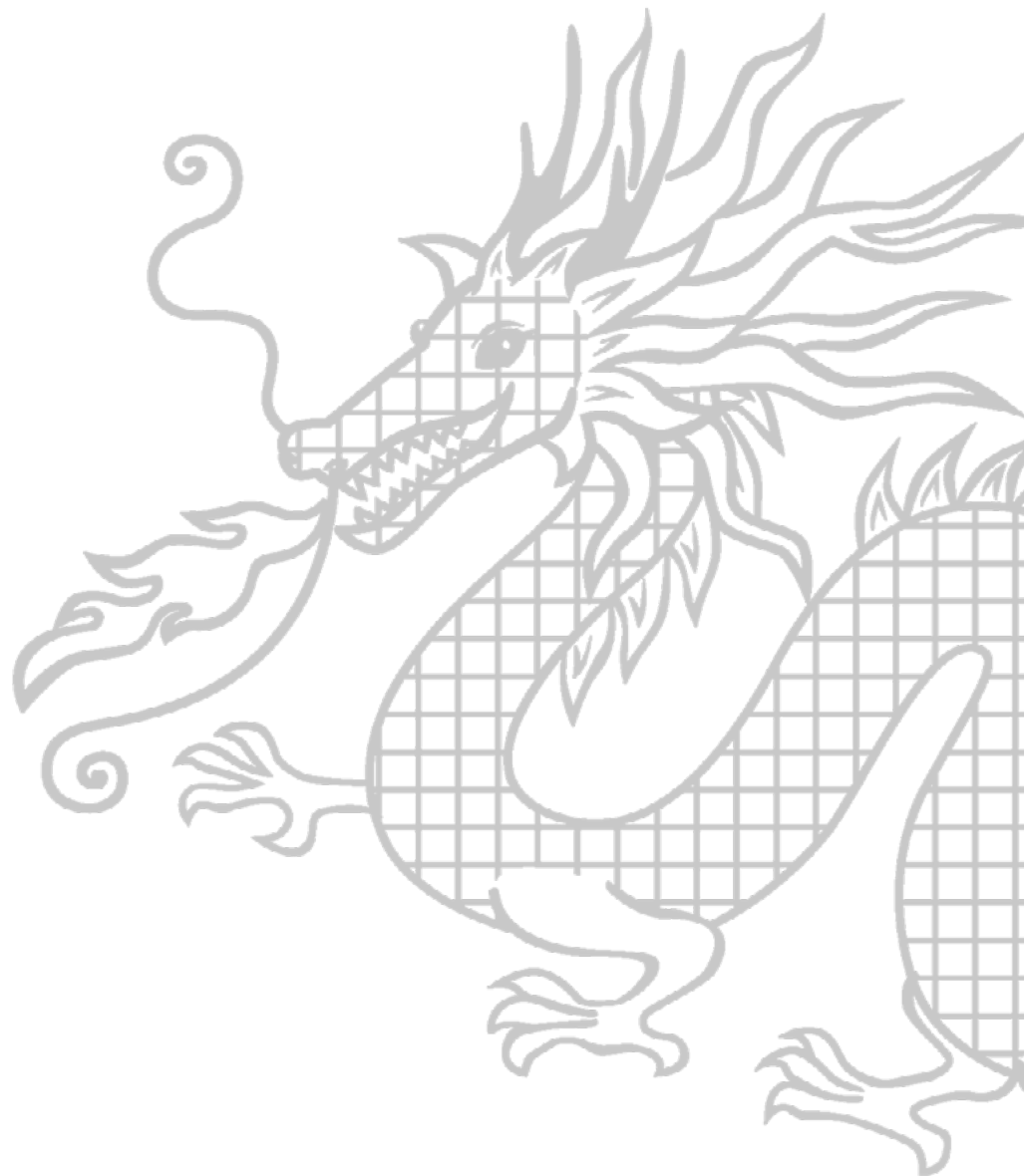


**KELLETT SCHOOL**  
THE BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL IN HONG KONG





ENGENDERING **"A LOVE OF  
LEARNING AND CONFIDENCE  
FOR LIFE"** IN ALL OF OUR  
STUDENTS.





*A love of learning and confidence for life*

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# PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

## **Welcome to Kellett School, The British International School in Hong Kong.**

We are proud to be recognised as one of the leading British International Schools in the world and assessed as 'outstanding' by British Schools Overseas (BSO).

Our students enjoy an exceptional educational journey across our two campuses on Hong Kong Island and Kowloon Bay, where they explore the joys of learning in a nurturing and engaging environment.

Dating back nearly 50 years, Kellett has built a reputation for its exceptional education both inside the classroom and beyond. We foster a challenging and stimulating environment where high academic achievement is realised within a diverse curriculum that celebrates the expressive arts and sport.

While we cherish academic excellence, we also understand that preparing our students for a successful future is about more than just grades. We are a values-driven community where respect, kindness and integrity are both expected and celebrated.

We are also committed to readying our students to step confidently, responsibly and securely into a world that's constantly changing. As such, we are always refining our educational approach to ensure we are instilling the right mindset and skills in our students, equipping them for success not just today, but also tomorrow. That's why we place great emphasis on wellbeing, alongside soft skills such as adaptability, problem-solving, resilience and learning from failure.

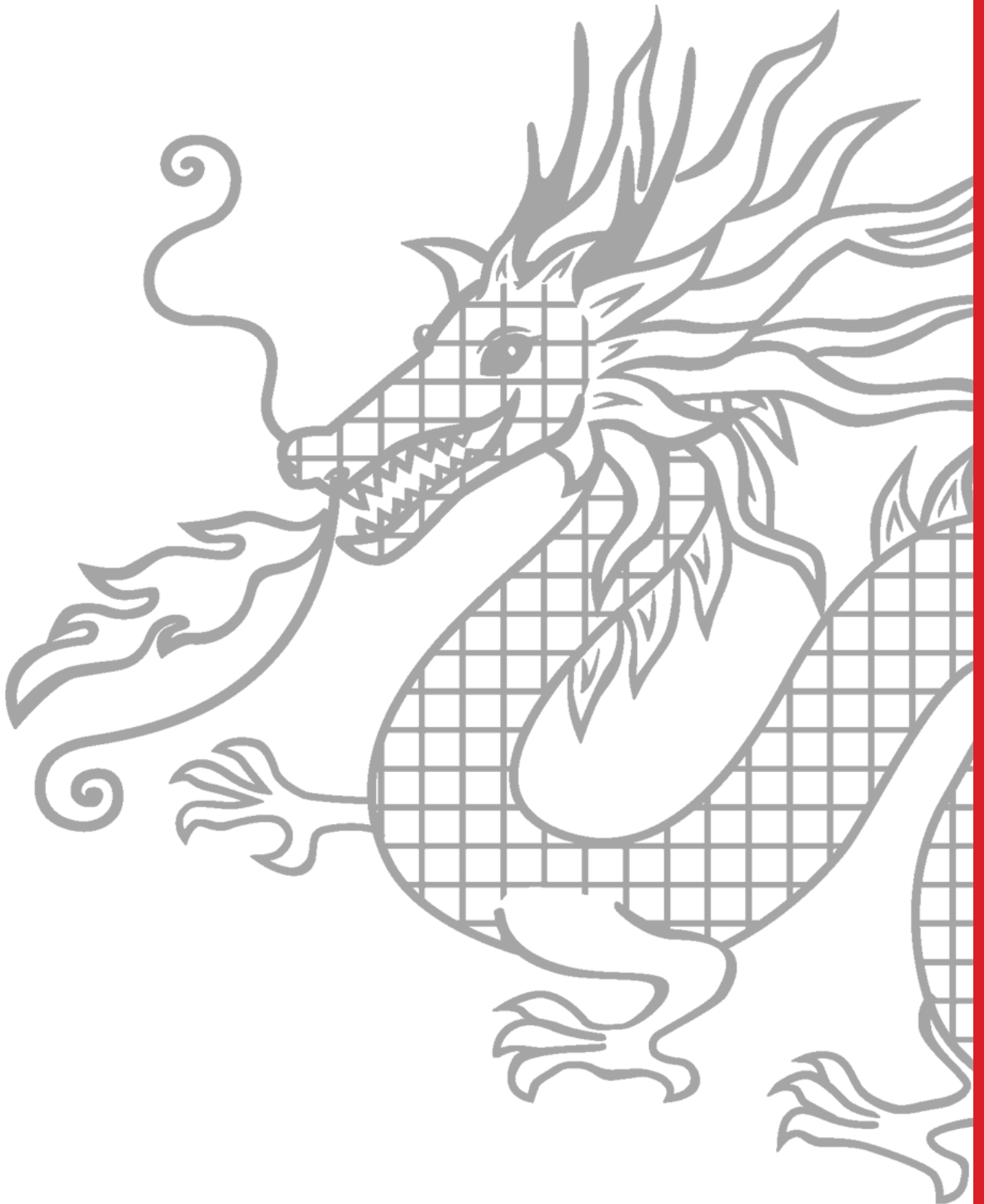
Whether you are reading this as a potential student, parent or colleague, I hope you enjoy exploring our vibrant community. Do also visit our website to find out more about how we ensure our students have a 'love of learning and confidence for life'.

Paul Tough



Principal & CEO







*Pok Fu Lam Campus*





*Kowloon Bay Campus*

## **ABOUT US**

Kellett School, the British International School in Hong Kong, offers an exceptional education comparable to leading schools in the UK and the rest of the world. Established in 1976, we are proud to be one of the world's foremost British international schools, a reputation built on our unwavering aim to nurture a love of learning and confidence for life in every one of our students.

Kellett is a 'through train' school, educating children from 4 to 18 years, with campuses in Pok Fu Lam and Kowloon Bay. The Pok Fu Lam campus houses a Preparatory School located in Wah Fu at the foot of Mount Kellett overlooking Kellett Bay, while the Kowloon Bay campus contains a Preparatory and Senior School.

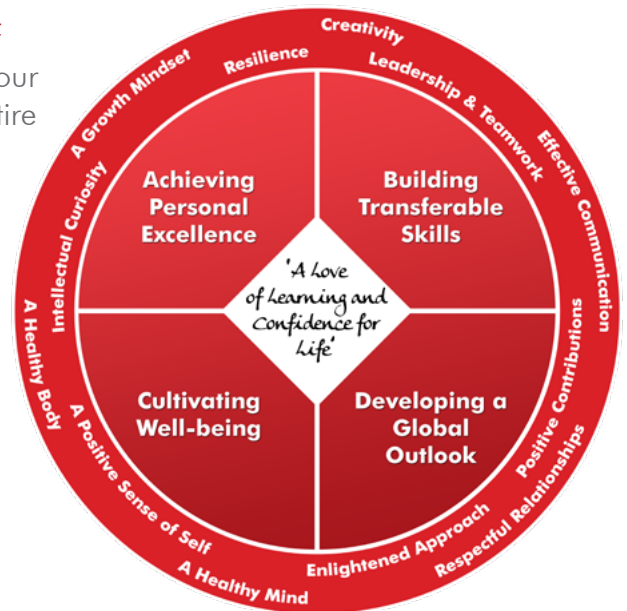
We broadly follow the Early Years Foundation Stage and English National Curriculum, which includes GCSEs, IGCSEs and A-Levels with minor adaptations to fit our local context. As our children progress through the school, they are encouraged to learn with growing independence in a challenging and stimulating environment. As a result, they achieve consistently strong academic results.

Kellett is a not-for-profit organisation with a parent-led Board of Governors and highly skilled teaching and support staff, all of whom strive to provide an environment that enables our students to thrive.

# OUR AIMS

At Kellett, our aim of engendering 'a love of learning and confidence for life' in each of our students, sharply focuses the work of our entire community.

We aim to develop self-motivated, confident, curious lifelong learners, equipped with the skills and mindset for the world ahead, coupled with a strong sense of responsibility extending beyond



# OUR VALUES

Our values act as our guiding compass, directing our individual and collective efforts. Whether in routine interactions or pivotal decisions, our values shape our course. They steer us in fulfilling our vision which is to ensure we develop a love of learning and confidence for life.

## RESPECT

We respect ourselves, our community and beyond  
We respect each other's individuality, beliefs and perspectives  
We respect and care for the planet



## KINDNESS

We care about our own wellbeing and that of others  
We act with empathy and compassion  
We are inclusive and committed to being collaborative



## INTEGRITY

We strive to achieve our personal best with honesty  
We strive for excellence and are accountable for our actions  
We are committed to being curious in our learning





## OUR HISTORY

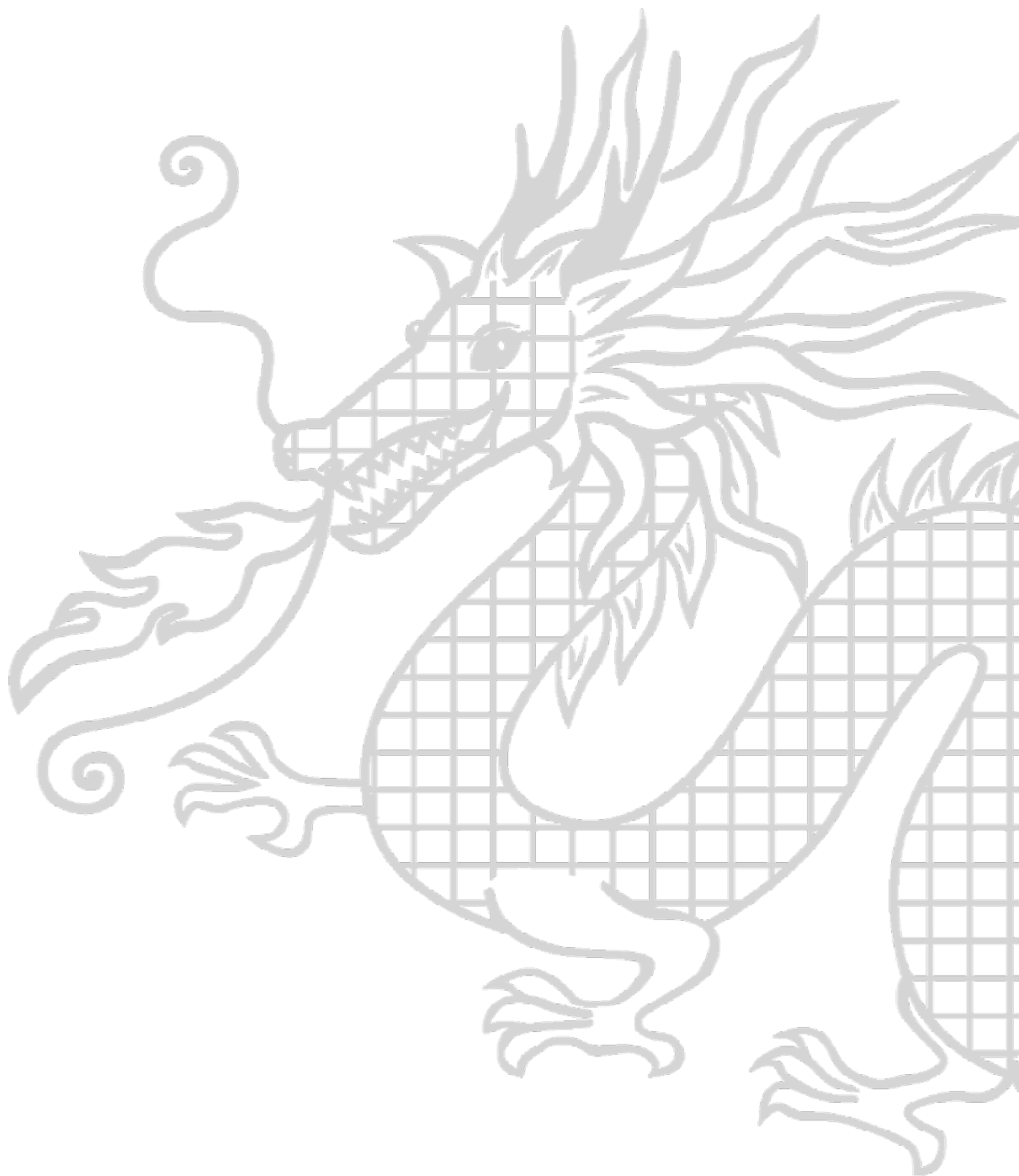
Kellett School was founded in 1976, the Chinese Year of the Fire Dragon. The parent founders sought a high-quality British-style education, rich in arts and sport.

From one small primary to today's two Preparatory Schools and a Senior School, parents continue to govern the school and Kellett has a global reputation for excellence.

# GOVERNANCE

Kellett is unusual in its organisation and the degree of parental involvement. Kellett School is operated by Kellett School Association Limited, a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee, through a board of elected parent Governors and Ex-officio members.

All Kellett parents automatically become members of the Association upon payment of the annual membership fee - unless they specifically opt out.





*“Kellett has a well-deserved reputation for producing engaging and confident students who achieve academic excellence and success across a broad range of expressive arts and sports. They thrive and most importantly are happy thanks to our world-class staff, our strong wellbeing model and the support and engagement of our parent community.”*

**Silvia Pezzini**  
**Chair of the Board of Governors**

# ADMISSIONS

The school provides education for pupils aged between four and 18 years of age and has approximately 1450 students, made up of a diverse range of nationalities.

Kellett welcomes all students whose needs can be met within a mainstream English medium school setting. Applications are accepted from birth for entry to our Prep School and two years in advance for Senior School, and applications can be submitted all year round.

Places are offered according to date of application and our priority criteria. The school operates a system of entry criteria which becomes more rigorous the higher up the school a student seeks entry.





## WELLBEING

Our wellbeing model is undoubtedly one of our greatest strengths and will always be one of our highest priorities, informing all our decision-making. Wellbeing at Kellett, is embedded across all aspects of the school, at every age, and is both proactive and reactive.

Our deep and wide pastoral infrastructure, including trained counsellors, works to mitigate and react to incidences and situations, whilst our Positively Kellett curriculum focuses on equipping students to handle and thrive when faced with life's challenges.

Delivered to all students for a lesson each week, Positively Kellett addresses a wide range of topics such as relationships, rights and responsibilities, helping students to become informed, critical, responsible, healthy and active citizens.

Kellett is recognised as a Beacon school for wellbeing by the Council of British International Schools.



## EXPRESSIVE ARTS

The breadth of our curriculum, the extensive ECAs offered and the specialist teaching expertise in this area are what give Expressive Arts at Kellett its strong and enviable reputation.

The School has facilities and spaces for the arts that are second to none, including a theatre with an orchestra pit, purpose-built photography and cinematography studios, recording spaces, state-of-the-art music suites and practice rooms, drama and dance studios.

Individual music tuition is available in a wide range of orchestral instruments, as well as piano, guitar, voice and drums.





# SPORT

Our vision is to make Kellett one of the leading sporting schools not only in Hong Kong, but in Asia. Our aim is to encourage participation, opportunity, sportsmanship and also to promote a healthy and active lifestyle.

Students are given a multitude of sporting opportunities, guided by our team of teachers and specialist sports coaches, who boast an impressive list of honours, including international caps, professional-level experience and high-level club representation.

Many of our students go on to national honours, representing Hong Kong in various sports. PE is a compulsory part of the curriculum, and focuses on educating students on fitness and developing their motor skills, as well as allowing students to learn about different sports, techniques, movements and tactics.

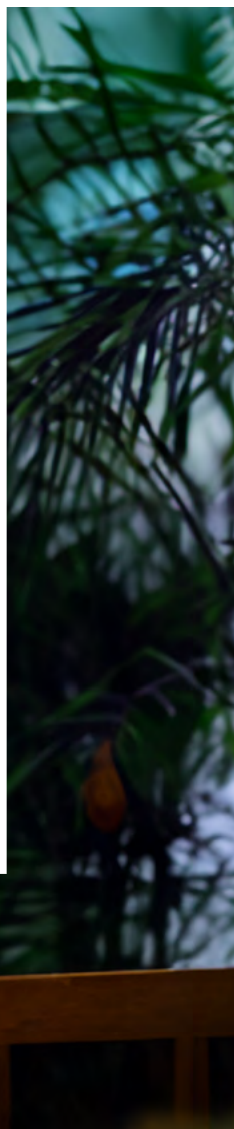


# INNOVATION

Taught from Year 5 and up, Innovation aims to equip students with skills, proficiency and competence in a wide range of areas which students are likely to need in their future. Elements of the subject are also taught through topics in lower yeargroups. Innovation is not an academic subject with a focus on the acquisition of knowledge, but instead uses project-based learning to build resilience, problem-solving skills, self-motivation, teamwork and other transferable skills.

Students have less structure than other subjects which allows them the opportunity to fail without consequences, so that they can learn to overcome challenges, something which does not happen in more traditional academic subjects. Lessons can take place anywhere on campus by using our bespoke 'classes on wheels'.

Innovation at Kellett is about the journey and not the outcome.





# EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (ECAs)

At Kellett we look to develop students both inside and outside the classroom. Our ECA enrichment programme is ambitious, diverse and well-planned, as we strongly believe that committed participation in a broad selection of ECAs helps build a strong and well-developed individuals. Each year we offer an enormous range of activities, most of which are included in school fees.

In Prep ECAs range from running to choir and everything in between, whilst Senior students can participate in the Hong Kong Award for Young People (HK's equivalent of Duke of Edinburgh Award), Jazz Band, Debate Club, staff-monitored Prep (homework) and much more besides.

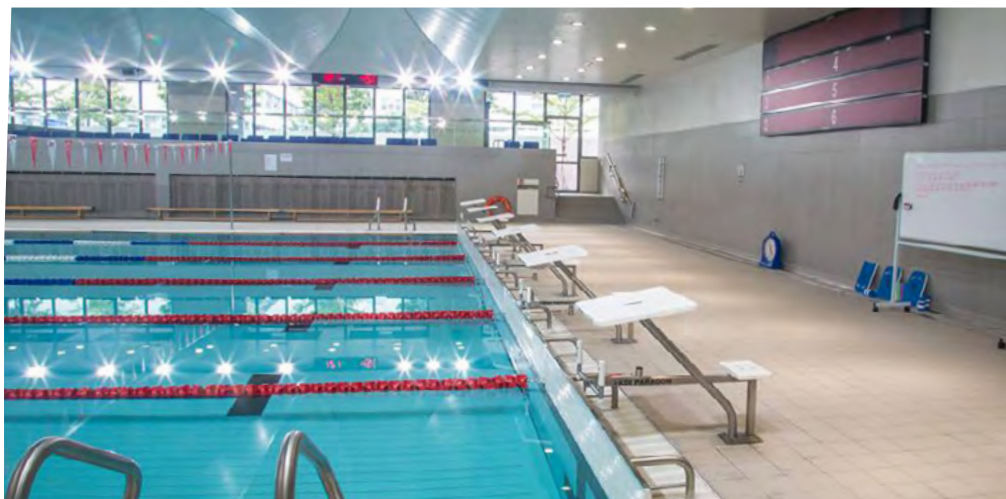




## **MEETING NEEDS**

Kellett aspires to meet the needs of all its students. Both the Prep and Senior Schools have a limited number of places available for students with Additional Support Needs (ASN). Parents of students receiving support are required to work closely with the ASN Team who may advise that your child needs the support of outside experts who work with the School, including speech and occupational therapists, and educational psychologists.

The school also focuses on those students whose ability significantly exceeds that of their peers, who form part of our 'Further Challenge' provision supporting students who excel in particular areas.



## FACILITIES

State-of-the-art spaces at Kowloon Bay include a theatre, gym, dance studio and a large artificial turf and multi-sport area including a rooftop running track, and cricket nets.

The swimming pool floor/depth can be adjusted to suit different swimming and age levels.

Pok Fu Lam meanwhile has a theatre, sports hall, dance studio, outdoor play-spaces, a music room and science lab.

# OUR COMMUNITY

Kellett is committed to an educational partnership consisting of students, parents and staff. We believe that in working together, sharing expectations, responsibilities and aspirations, our students' needs are best met and we fulfill our aim of engendering 'a love of learning and confidence for life'.

Parent involvement has been a hallmark of Kellett since its inception, and it continues to this day, most notably with a vibrant Parents Committee, who organise community events including the much-loved Kellett Charity Ball and Spring Fair.

Our community also extends beyond the confines of Kellett to our wider community in Hong Kong and our alumni, known as Old Kellettonians, across the globe.



*"We pride ourselves on having one of the most involved communities in Hong Kong. It's great to see new and old parents alike coming together to create exciting events."*

**Sabrina Grandolfo, Parent and Kellett Governor**

# KELLETT4GOOD

Kellett is a charitable institution, one of very few not-for-profit international schools in Hong Kong, and as such we have a strong giving culture, be it in time, expertise or donations. The not-for-profit Kellett Foundation, established in 2020, aims to advance and support learning and education within Hong Kong.

Owing to the generosity of our community Kellett Foundation is able to offer bursaries to students who would not otherwise be able to access a Kellett education. We aim to have two bursary students, most often from the asylum and refugee communities, join us each academic year.

The Kellett Foundation also supports Kellett Outreach providing free Saturday classes, including meals, transport and educational resources, for underrepresented children run by Kellett staff, student volunteers and sporting coaches.



*“The bursary rekindled our dreams. As a family, we can dream of a brighter future for our children. Bursaries are not just about today, but an investment into the next generation. Giving them this opportunity adds joy, hope, and love to their lives. One day in the future, they will want to pay it forward.”*

**Parent of a Kellett Bursary student**









## ALUMNI

Even though a student's time at Kellett will eventually come to an end, we hope their relationship with us continues for life. The Kellett community spirit is strong and extends well beyond Hong Kong's borders and the years that individuals spend at the school.

The Alumni team at Kellett regularly organise reunions and networking events in different cities around the world and update the community on the many interesting things Old Kellettonions (OKs) are up to. The alumni network also provides a way for former students to give back by offering mentoring and career advice to today's cohort.

For more information on Kellett's alumni community, please go to <http://alumni.kellettschool.com>.



# PREP SCHOOL



Kellett has two Preparatory Schools, Pok Fu Lam and Kowloon Bay, providing our children with a nurturing learning environment in which to enjoy and embrace school life.

Our Prep School children are afforded a huge range of opportunities for learning, adventure and growth. Both Prep Heads are members of the prestigious Independent Association of Preparatory Schools (IAPS), reflecting Kellett's high quality English curriculum education.

We understand the importance of, and value, parental engagement and create strong partnerships between home and school.

# CURRICULUM

Kellett offers an holistic education that follows a modified English National Curriculum. The curriculum is structured to enable children to meet or exceed the expectations of the English preparatory schooling system.

Preparatory classes place a strong emphasis on high levels of attainment in Literacy, Numeracy, Science and Digital Skills, and specialist teaching is provided in physical education, music, art, Mandarin, public speaking and digital skills. Class sizes are kept to a maximum of 24 students, enabling children and families to be known as individuals.

Throughout both our Prep schools, class sizes are kept to 23 students. Classes from Years 1 to 4 are supported by a part-time teaching assistant, and in Years 5 and 6, an assistant works across the whole year group.

Although vibrant and exciting places, our learning communities are small, enabling children and families to be known as individuals. Pok Fu Lam is a three-form entry school while Kowloon Bay is two-form entry.





## RECEPTION

Kellett begins with the Reception year, which builds a strong foundation for future learning.

We offer a broad and balanced curriculum in which all children can flourish. Our curriculum gives children the knowledge and skills they need to make good progress throughout their school life and beyond.



## TRIPS & VISITS

Residential visits for Prep aged students are a perfect way to build many of the skills and attributes that form our Kellett Learner Profile, and are key milestones in a student's journey through the School. By taking students out of the classroom and extending learning into the outdoors and unfamiliar settings, students are challenged in new and different ways. The activities they engage in develop teamwork and leadership skills; staying away from home encourages independence and resilience and exposure to new people and places.



# LANGUAGES

The study of Mandarin begins from Reception, and is taught through a spiralling, sequential and communicative approach. The content is theme-based, age appropriate, expansive and practical. Students can opt to take additional or alternative Modern Foreign Languages in Senior School.



# TRANSITION TO SENIOR

All students in our Prep Schools are guaranteed a place in our Senior School, and we do everything we can to make the transition as seamless as possible. The transition process is designed to make students feel excited about the move to Senior School, which is deliberately different to Prep so students are invigorated by the change. The carefully managed transition process begins early in Year 6, with Taster Days, to experience life at Senior School, and an opportunity to buddy up with an existing Year 7 student.

Year 7 students will be provided with a portable computer that is managed and funded by the School. A device, case with bluetooth keyboard and a stylus are provided. The device is for educational purposes only, however it can also be taken home for learning by the students. Although owned by the school, parents are liable for breakage or replacement of devices, as per the policy which is part of the Home School Agreement.

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## SCHOLARSHIPS

Based on ongoing continuous testing and assessment, selected students are invited to apply for a limited number of academic scholarships. The scholarships provide honourees with opportunities to stretch and develop through the Scholars rewards programme, as well as a school fee remission of 10%. Scholarships are currently only available to Kellett students.





# Kellett's Definition of Creative

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ADJECTIVE

Helping robots overcome obstacles through  
coding in Innovation lessons

#TheKellettDefinition



# SENIOR SCHOOL



Offering small classes and a low student-teacher ratio, coupled with exciting and engaging teaching of the English Curriculum, Kellett Senior School and Sixth Form students achieve fantastic public examination results, and attend some of the very best universities in the world.

Beyond the classroom, overseas educational visits, countless expressive arts and sporting opportunities, alongside world-class wellbeing provision, prepare our students for a future beyond academia. Kellett is a member of HMC, an association of the world's top independent schools.

# ACADEMICS

At Kellett, we offer students a broad curriculum, based on the English National Curriculum and reflective of our international setting. Our curriculum prepares our students for GCSE and International GCSE examinations, which are taken in Year 11. We are proud to be one of few schools in Hong Kong offering the prestigious A-level programme in Years 12 and 13, which are recognised worldwide as excellent pre-university qualifications.

Students in Years 7-9 are timetabled to study a wide range of subjects, including; English, Maths, Languages (Mandarin, Spanish, French, Latin), Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics), Geography, History, PE/ Games, Music, Design & Technology, Drama, Art, Positively Kellett (Wellbeing), Innovation, Computer Science and Public Speaking.

In Years 10-11, students prepare for their IGCSEs in the following subjects: English Language, English Literature, Maths (with Further Maths also available for some), Chemistry, Biology, Physics. Students then have a choice of four further subjects from:

- Languages
- History
- Geography
- Business Studies
- Economics
- Media Studies
- Art
- Design Technology
- Drama
- Computer Science
- Sustainability





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# GLOBAL OUTLOOK WEEK

Global Outlook Week is an important part of Kellett's curriculum offering and all students are expected to participate. Year 7 Students participate in a Hong Kong-based residential programme. This is an opportunity for students to bond as a year-group, developing collaboration and communication skills whilst also building their resilience as they are challenged in an action packed programme of adventure and community service.

Students in all other year groups can participate in a week-long trip overseas, or within Hong Kong, or gather work experience in order to develop skills outside the classroom. These can include field study techniques, volunteer work with deprived communities, team building, orienteering and language immersion.






## HOUSE SYSTEM & TUTORS

The House system forms an integral part of life at the Senior School and provides our students with significant opportunities to develop their skills, sportsmanship, appropriate behaviour and fair play. On entry to Senior School, each student is allocated to a tutor within one of the Houses, with whom they will have regular one to one catch-ups to discuss both aspects of academic progress as well as wellbeing. A Head of House is in place to have a holistic view of the students' pastoral and academic progress.





# Kellett's Definition of Innovative

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Answering the UN's Sustainable Development  
Goals by exploring solutions to end world hunger

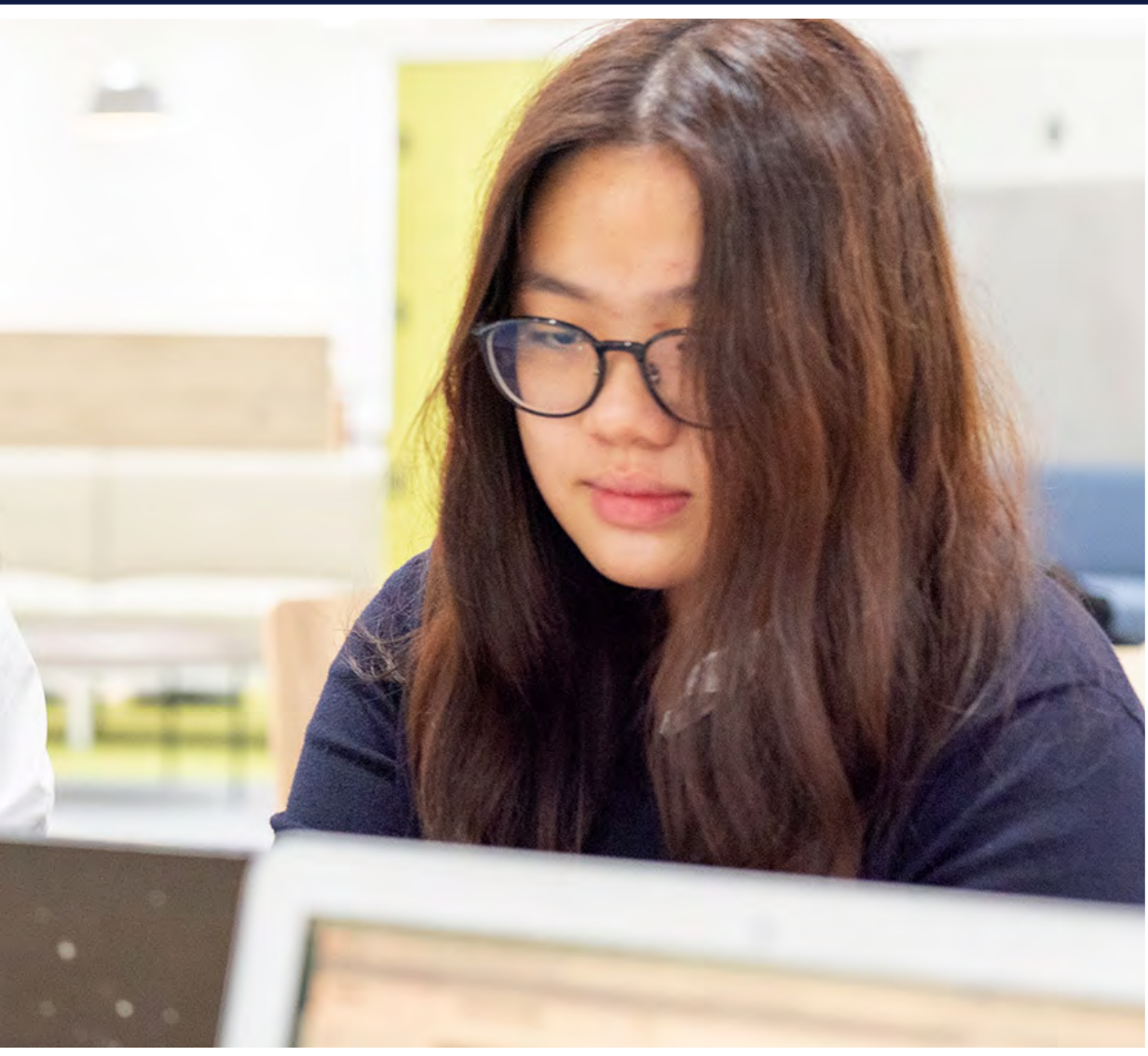
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# SIXTH FORM

*"At Kellett, our exceptional Sixth Form programme fosters both academic and personal growth. Our students' consistent achievements in public examinations speak volumes about our academic rigour. But we aim beyond academics, nurturing confident, globally minded individuals who respect cultural diversity."*

**Joe Alsop, Head of Senior School**



Kellett's Sixth Form experience has been carefully planned to ensure we are thoroughly preparing students for their futures, including life's challenges. Expectations are high and the school prides itself on offering a nurturing and supportive environment with personalised care and a great deal of individual mentoring from tutors, teachers and university and career advisors available to every student.

# AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC PROGRAMME

We are one of the few schools in Hong Kong to offer A-Levels. By choosing this globally recognised qualification, students' knowledge, understanding and skills are deepened thanks to the programme's in-depth subject content. Students normally study three subjects during their two years in the Sixth Form. There are currently 22 subjects available to study:

<b>English Literature</b>	<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>Further Mathematics</b>
<b>Computer Science</b>	<b>Economics</b>	<b>Physics</b>
<b>Chemistry</b>	<b>Biology</b>	<b>History</b>
<b>Geography</b>	<b>Business Studies</b>	<b>French</b>
<b>Psychology</b>	<b>Mandarin</b>	<b>Spanish</b>
<b>Art</b>	<b>Design Technology</b>	<b>Media Studies</b>
<b>Physical Education</b>	<b>Music</b>	<b>Drama</b>
<b>Politics</b>		

By studying three A-Level subjects, time is available for the rigorous academic programme to be supplemented by a variety of initiatives that emphasise critical thinking, presentation skills, physical and mental health, and also introduces students to the world of business.





*"I really do think that Kellett's emphasis on independent learning has prepared me well for the realities of studies at university and also life in general. We have had classes in Global Citizenship to prepare us on how to manage budgets, how to cook and how to do the laundry."*

**Dhruv Chaubal, Economics and Economic History student at the London School of Economics**

# MINI MBA

Kellett's Mini MBA has been developed and is delivered in partnership with IE Business School in Madrid, rated by the Financial Times as providing the best online MBA in the world. This is a practical class designed to provide a simulated experience of building a startup. The goal is to create an entrepreneurial experience for the student.

## EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION (EPQ)

To give students the opportunity to focus on their passions, many of our Sixth Formers undertake the EPQ, an in-depth piece of research which involves producing a 5,000-word essay. If students receive top grades in their EPQ, some universities make slightly lower offers.

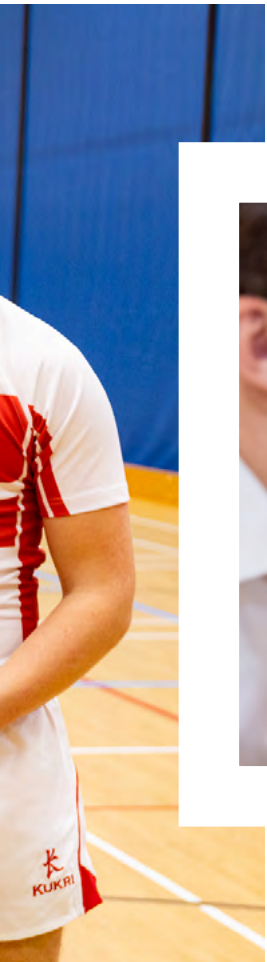


# CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES

Critical Perspective lessons encourage students to delve into critical thinking and hard questions, as well as introduces them to subjects they may not have previously encountered, such as Philosophy. Similar to university study, the course is delivered through lectures, student-led presentations and seminars, with reading and discussion time.

# RESPONSIBILITY & INDEPENDENCE

Reaching the Sixth Form is a significant milestone in a student's education, and as such students are given greater responsibility, as well as more independence and privileges. Sixth Formers are supported by a dedicated team of staff all of whom are members of ISCA and IACAC the key associations for international school counseling. In addition, the school offers a range of highly sought after leadership opportunities to lead at the ECA, Subject, House and whole school level.





## SIXTH FORM LIFE

Our facilities include a state-of-the-art Sixth Form study suite, fully equipped kitchen and common room, allowing our oldest students to form a strong community in a comfortable environment. As a break from academia, students are free to use the gym and indoor swimming pool at designated times. There are also a number of annual social events just for Sixth Form students.

# UNIVERSITY & CAREER GUIDANCE

Many of our students gain places at the world's leading universities including Oxbridge, the Ivy League and in Hong Kong. Our Careers and University Guidance team, including a specialist in highly selective university entrance, provides one-on-one guidance to help students make the right decision about what and where they study after Sixth Form, and their career pathway.

The team oversees an impressive enrichment programme to support students applying to highly selective universities, as well as those applying to a range of courses, including the Arts, Medicine (and associated BMAT & UCAT preparation), STEM, the Humanities, Law, English and the Earth Sciences.

With the support of dedicated and experienced careers counselors, we ensure our students receive personalized guidance for their future success.



*“The Sixth Form team was fantastic in helping me narrow down my university choices. Their expertise and knowledge on universities all over the world was integral to my decision, and they were always there to talk with me when I needed advice”*

**Ellie Alexander, Politics and International Studies student at The University of Warwick**



# Kellett's Definition of Community

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ADJECTIVE

Giving back to the Hong Kong community  
through Kellett Outreach

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