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Message from the Editors

The **Annual General Meeting** of the College was held on Saturday, 3 December 2005. It was well attended by fellows and members and we had a very enjoyable and entertaining evening. This is going to be the last issue of the college newsletter before the New Year and on behalf of the House Committee we wish everyone a joyful X'mas and a fruitful New Year.

Fellowship Conferment Ceremony, December 2005

Address by the President, Professor TF Fok

Professor Tang, Dr Vivian Wong, Dr TH Leung, Dr KK Kwok, Presidents and representatives from our sister colleges, Honoured Guests, Fellows and Members of the College, Our new graduates, ladies and gentlemen.

First I would like to welcome all of you to the Fellowship Conferment Ceremony of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians. We are very honoured by the presence of so many distinguished guests and the presidents and representatives of our sister colleges. I would in particular like to welcome Professor Grace Tang who is attending our ceremony for the first time as the President of the Academy. I thank you all for gracing us with your presence.

Today we gather together to witness and celebrate the graduation of our trainees. To all our graduates I extend to you our congratulations for your achievement. The fellowship that is going to be conferred to you very shortly is the result of many long years of hard work, and serves as a testament of your ability in looking after sick children. Graduation ceremonies are sometimes called commencement ceremonies, which mean that you are now ready to begin a new chapter in your life. As a Paediatrician, of course you should begin to think of doing something good for children. Tom Brokaw, the famous and once rated number one American television journalist once said in a graduation ceremony, "You are educated. You may think of your qualification as the ticket to a good life. Let me ask you to think of an alternative. Think of it as your ticket to change the world". I am not asking you to try to change the world by way of a revolution; I am only appealing to you that starting from today, you should begin to endeavour to make this world a little better for our children. As a specialist Paediatrician, which you soon will be, you are equipped with the skills to offer sick children high quality medical care. You are also duty-bound to be a child advocate carrying the sacred responsibilities of protecting them

from sickness, poverty, ignorance and social injustice. These menaces are haunting millions of children worldwide. Some are prevalent even in affluent societies such as our own.

Dear graduates, as you begin this new chapter you should also take better care of yourself and your family. You have spent many long years working very hard to have come this far. Now that you do not have to study till late hours after work, your family must be very relieved because from now on you can lead a more normal life. Indeed it is your duty to spend more time with them and be good to them. There is nothing in the world that can substitute having quality time with your elderly parents, your spouses, and your young children. You should also have some leisure time for yourself. Professor Sir James Mirrlees, Nobel Laureate in Economics and Professor at large of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, once told the graduates in one of the university congregations” “But now, you will become busy, and risk being too busy to keep learning and exploring. A word of advice. Do not be too busy. That is hard. You may make more money that way, but it is not good life”. Only by having some leisure time, you can recharge your battery; nurture your creativity and your relationship with your friends and people around you.

Dear graduates, there is one last responsibility that you should fulfill if you have not already done so. Now you have more time, you should explore the opportunity (and subsequently put into practice) of going through the process that ensures the continuation of the human race. Or putting it more simply, find someone you can love, get married and have as many children as you can. This is one contribution you can make to mankind and to our profession in particular.

News from the Annual General Meeting

The 14th Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians was held on 3rd December, 2005 at Lim Por Yen Lecture Theatre of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building. The minutes of the 13th Annual General Meeting was adopted without amendment. The 2004/2005 Annual Report of the College was received and approved unanimously. Copies of these documents will be mailed to Fellows who had not attended the meeting.

At the 14th Annual General Meeting, Prof. Lau Yu Lung, Dr. Lee Wai Hong, Prof. Ng Pak Cheung, Dr. So Lok Yee and Dr. Tam Yat Cheung, Alfred were elected as Council Members for a term of 3 years, i.e. Year 2005-2008. Mr. Peter Mark was re-appointed as our College’s Honorary Legal Adviser and Mr. Walter Ma as the Honorary Auditor.

The annual subscription fees for Fellows, Members and Associates will remain at HK\$1,500, HK\$1,000 and HK\$500 respectively for Year 2006.

At the Fellowship Conferment Ceremony, the following colleagues were elected as new Fellows and new Members of the College:

New Fellows:

Dr CHANG Kit

Dr CHEUK Ka Leung

Dr CHEUNG Heung Yan

Dr CHEUNG Wai Yin

Dr LAM Shu Ting

Dr LAU Kit Yu
Dr LEE Kay Man
Dr LO Fung Cheung
Dr MA Kam Hung
Dr MAK Hon Kwong
Dr MAK Wai Yau
Dr SO Kit Wing
Dr TONG Kai Sing

New Members:

Dr CHAN Sin Hang
Dr CHAN Tang Tat
Dr CHENG Ling Ling
Dr KO Lee Yuen
Dr KOO Sergio Don
Dr LAU Yu
Dr LEE Po Yee
Dr LEUNG Wing Kwan
Dr MA Yee Man
Dr NG Hak Yung
Dr POON Yee Ling
Dr SOO Man Ting
Dr TANG Miu Sze
Dr TANG Sau Shek
Dr WAN Hoi Shan
Dr WONG Suet Na
Dr YAU Ho Chung
Dr YIP Mung Sze
Dr YUEN Lai Kei

Announcement from the Membership Committee

Six new trainees were recommended and approved to be Associates:

1. HO Po Ki, Polly
2. HUI Wun Fung, Alvin
3. LAM Lai Na
4. LAU Tsz Ying
5. TAM Yuen Shan, Dorothy
6. TUNG Yuet Ling

Announcement from Hong Kong College of Paediatricians Foundation

Hua Xia Charity Peak Walk

As an extension to the Chinese Classic- Butterfly Lover Charity Concert last year, the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences (FHSS), the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (HKPU), and the Hong Kong Hua Xia Foundation (HXF) are going to hold a joint fund raising charity walk in February 2006. Our College Foundation has been invited to act as co-organizer of the event. The FHSS has already completed most of the groundwork and our College will aim to encourage participation of the event by as many fellows and members as possible. Fellows are also invited to join in the Organizing Committee, Fund Raising Committee and Finance Committee.

Details of the event are as follows:

Purpose: To improve the quality of medical services in Qinghai and to raise funds for the HXF scholarship for post-secondary education.

Date: Sunday, 19th February 2006

Time: 9am

Place: The Peak

Path: Peak -- Wong Nai Chung Gap Road -- Aberdeen Reservoir Road -- Peel Rise -- Luard Road -- Peak

Duration: 4 -6 hours

Difficulty: **

Hua Xia Foundation will invite the Deputy Director of the Liaison Office and other public figures to act as sponsors in order to raise public awareness of this event and to increase media coverage. There will be competitions amongst participants for various prizes e.g. fastest team, the team with the most funds raised, most colourful team etc. The format is similar to the Community Chest Walk.

Leung Tze Ching, Vincent
Chairman,
Hong Kong College of Paediatricians Foundation

Announcement from CME Subcommittee

Call for submission of CME Annual Return Forms before 31st January 2006

All Fellows are reminded to submit the following documents to the College before 31st January 2006:

1. Their completed Annual Return Forms (for Fellows whose cycles end in December, it should cover the period January to December 2005; for Fellows whose cycles started in July, it should cover the period July 2005 to December 2005);
2. Copies of Attendance Certificates of Overseas Meetings attended;
3. Copies of the new ARF form are available for download from the College Web (<http://www.paediatrician.org.hk>) or in the reminder letter from CME Subcommittee, which will be sent to all Fellows shortly.

For local Fellows, the most convenient way to check your Cat A, B and E CME points is through the HKAM MLMS system. According to the Academy, all the CME activities in 2005 should be uploaded by mid January 2006. If you agreed with the CME points documented in the MLMS, you can simply print out the report and attached in the ARF as proof of attendance. For details, please go to the Academy MLMS website: <http://www.mlms.org.hk>.

These documents can be sent by mail to the following address:

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Honorary Secretary
Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
Room 801, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Building
99 Wong Chuk Hang Road
Aberdeen, Hong Kong
Fax: (852) 2785 1850
Tel: (852) 2871 8871

Please note that the College Secretariat will fax you a notice to confirm receipt of your submission. If you do not get the notice within a week, your forms might not have reached the College Secretariat safely and I would advise you to call and check the status.

Other issues related to the new CME/CPD Guidelines

- With the new CME cycle, there is no maximum CME points for Fellows to accumulate each year. In other words, you can acquire the full 90 points within minimum of 30 Cat A CME points required for the 3-year cycle within 1 year, even though it is not advisable.
- The Council has also endorsed imposing penalties for late returns with details under the College's new CME/CPD Guidelines, section VI 6.5. A charge of HK\$500 shall be levied if a Fellow fails to return the form after the deadline. This amount will be doubled if the Fellow fails to submit the ARF 3 months after the first notification.
- For your convenience, extra copies of Annual Return Forms and sections of log book for Category A, B, C, D and E activities can be downloaded from the College homepage, CME section.

Announcement from Examination Subcommittee

Results of the recent examinations

Date	Examination	Pass / No. of sittings	Pass rate
23 August 2005	MRCPCH Part II	8 / 10	80%
6 September 2005	MRCPCH Part I		
	Paper IA	2 / 2	100%
	Paper IB	3 / 3	100%
	Paper IA (DCH)	23 / 41	56%
1-2 November 2005	MRCPCH Clinical Examination	5 / 14	36%
3-4 November 2005	DCH Clinical Examination	17 / 29	59%

Examination dates in 2006

Examination	Dates		
MRCPCH Part I	17 January 2006	9 May 2006	5 September 2006
MRCPCH Part II	19 April 2006	23 August 2006	13 December 2006
MRCPCH Clinical Exam	28 February – 1 March 2006	November 2006 (Exact dates to be announced)	
DCH Clinical Exam	November 2006 (Exact dates to be announced)		
Exit Assessment	27 June 2006	12 December 2006	

CME Category A Activities

Listed below are CME Category A activities organized by the HKCPaed and various paediatric societies and institutions. For the complete list of Category A activities, including continuous courses, and Category B activities, please refer to the homepage of the HKCPaed. The accuracy of the information has been checked according to the details submitted by the responsible organizers. *Members and fellows are reminded to enquire the contact person listed below for last-minute alterations.*

Abbreviations: KWH, Kwong Wah Hospital; PWH, Prince of Wales Hospital; PYNEH, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital; QEH, Queen Elizabeth Hospital; QMH, Queen Mary Hospital

December 2005	
29 th Dec (Thu) CME Cat. A 1 pts	<p>Topic: The Primary Care Physician and the Adolescent with Chronic Illness</p> <p>Venue: Departmental Seminar Room, 6/F, Clinical Sciences Building, PWH</p> <p>Time: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm</p> <p>Speakers: Dr Daniel Hardoff</p> <p>Organizer: Department of Paediatrics, PWH</p> <p>Enquiry: Dr Wong Hiu Lei, Tel: 26322982</p>
January 2006	
12 th Jan (Thu) CME Cat. A 1 pt	<p>Topic: Education Programme for Management of Disabled Children</p> <p>Venue: Child & Youth Health Link (Ward D6, 6/F, Main Block, PYNEH)</p> <p>Time: 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm</p> <p>Organizer: Comprehensive Paediatric Rehabilitation Centre, PYNEH</p> <p>Enquiry: Ms. Lai Pui Shan, Tel: 25956860</p>
17 th Jan (Tue) CME Cat. A 2 pts	<p>Topic: Progressive Familial Intrahepatic Cholestasis (Type 2)</p> <p>Venue: Seminar Room, G/F, Block a, QEH</p> <p>Time: 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm</p> <p>Speaker: Dr K.M. Cheung</p> <p>Organizer: HK Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology , Hepatology & Nutrition</p> <p>Enquiry: Dr David Lau, Tel: 22081057</p>
February 2006	
23 rd Feb (Thu) CME Cat. A 1 pt	<p>Topic: Education Programme for Management of Disabled Children</p> <p>Venue: Child & Youth Health Link (Ward D6, 6/F, Main Block, PYNEH)</p> <p>Time: 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm</p> <p>Organizer: Comprehensive Paediatric Rehabilitation Centre, PYNEH</p> <p>Enquiry: Ms. Lai Pui Shan, Tel: 25956860</p>