Good morning teachers and schoolmates.

Welcome back for the new school year! The summer was very short but I still hope you had a great one. I also hope that you are relaxed, recharged, and are rejoicing at our little get-together at the school hall and in the classrooms now. It's a shame that we still can't gather at the school hall but the physical barrier only makes us closer at heart, for it is a reminder to all of us: that we should treasure every single moment.

And today, let us start the beginning of this new year by welcoming our new members of the teaching staff. This year we have eight new teachers. Mr Chow Kai Shing is teaching history in both junior and senior forms, and he is also a discipline teacher. Mr Lai Ho Lam is an English teacher and a form teacher in S4. He is the teacher-in-charge of the English Club as well. Mr Shen Kai Yin is also an English teacher and a form teacher in S4. He is the teacher-in-charge of the English Debate Team. Miss Lam Oi Wing is another English teacher who teaches S2 English and S1 after school English Improvement Class.

Mr Lee Wui Hoi teaches mathematics and M2. He is the house master of Man House this year. Miss Yip Long Yin teaches mathematics and BAFS. She is also a form teacher in S1. Mr Ng Hin Yeung teaches Chinese Language and Life and Society in junior forms. He is the teacher-in-charge of CYC and JPC. Miss Yip Sho Lee teaches Chinese Language and Putonghua. She is also teaching S2 after school Chinese Improvement Class.

Besides, we have a new laboratory technician this year. Miss Lee Kwok Ying is responsible for the laboratory on the fifth floor. She is also the teacher-in-charge of the Environmental Protection Group. We look forward to working with the new members as a team in LKKC. Let's give them a big hand. Welcome to LKKC!

There is also a new appointment at the School Management Level. Mr Leung Cheuk Kit is appointed as the Assistant Principal. He will be in-charge of the school affairs in LKKC besides being the head of Discipline Committee. I believe that the school will continue to develop well under the new leadership with the collaboration of different stakeholders of the school.

This year is the forty-second year since the foundation of LKKC in 1981. And this year is the first year of the 3-year development cycle in 2022 to 2025. The major concerns in the coming three years can be summarized as "Enlightened Mind Paved with Time; Enriched Life Brimmed with Sublime." or in Chinese as "書林遨遊思廣博、正向邁步亮人生".

The Age of Enlightenment, or simply the Enlightenment, was an intellectual and philosophical movement that dominated Europe in the 17th and 18th centuries with global influences and effects. The Enlightenment included a range of ideas centered on the value of human happiness, the pursuit of knowledge obtained by means of reason and the evidence of the senses. The above characterizes this "the age of Reason". The word Sublime here means extremely good and it also refers to the experiences in life that are beyond our comprehension or something very powerful that induces intense feelings. Through the school motto, I hope all LKKCers are constantly reminded to be as diligent and scholarly as the major figures in the Enlightenment, like Newton and Galileo. And through the acquisition of knowledge, I wish you to gain the wisdom to pursue a life with meaning.

Needless to say, we will walk with you along the way. In the coming years, our objectives include: (1) Fostering Reading Ethos to Enhance Lifelong Learning Capacity (書林遨遊); (2) Adopting Student-centred eLearning Strategies to Facilitate Self-directed Learning (思廣博); and (3) Further Promoting Positive Education (正向邁步) leading to Students' Flourishing Life (亮人生). Our Vice-principal, Mr Tse, and our Assistant Principal, Mr Lo, shall explain to you the details of our major concerns in non-academic and academic aspects respectively later.

We have just celebrated our 40th anniversary. We are glad to see that a lot of stakeholders have shown great support to our school over the years. We believe in whole-person education where more should be done than a transfer of knowledge or skills. Education should involve giving our students broad-based abilities and the essential adaptability to pursue fulfilling careers, and lives, and uninhibited creativity to envision the future. Over the decades, thanks to the dedicated staff, supportive parents and alumni, we can keep ourselves at high standard, in both academic and non-academic aspects. That's why we, LKKC, remain one of the most popular schools in Tuen Mun, or even in the Territory. Besides being grateful for what we have, we should also make the utmost effort to excel ourselves.

I believe LKKC is not just a school for students to learn, but also a joyful family where we can share everything together, including our happiness, pleasant experiences, achievements, needs, difficulties, sadness, any emotional voyage that you're going through, and I am positive that you can also obtain the understanding and support you need from your teachers, peers, anyone at LKKC. We, LKKCers, will always stand by you.

Let's work hard after playing hard. Make good use of this opportunity to reflect on ourselves. Promise ourselves that we'll be the better versions. I wish you all a fantastic school year ahead!

Thank you!