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Dear Fellow LaSallians:

Greetings from the LSCOBA Vancouver Chapter!

Vancouver Chapter is excited to host the 2012 La Salle College Old Boys' Global Reunion (GR2012), which will be held August 2nd to August 6th, 2012 in Vancouver, Canada. GR2012 will also be a special overseas celebration of the 80th anniversary of La Salle College. On behalf of Vancouver Chapter and LSCOBA Global Alliance, I cordially invite all LaSallians worldwide, and their families, to attend this biennial reunion.

For Reunion schedule and registration details, please visit our GR2012 website at http://gr2012.lscob-global.net for the latest update.

Even the best organized event will not be successful without strong participation. We sincerely hope that you can take advantage of the GR2012 infrastructure and start organizing your own class reunions in Vancouver. Please spread the word about GR2012 and start planning for your own unforgettable reunion in August 2012.

We look forward to seeing you all in the summer of 2012!

Sincerely, Victor Leung (1977) President, LSCOBA Vancouver Chapter Chair, GR2012 Organizing Committee

Toronto

Reminders

Edmonton

Monthly Dim Sum Gathering

Date Nov 4, 2011 (every first Friday)

Time

Urban China Restaurant Venue

> 潮樓大酒樓 10604-101 Street

Grey Cup Party

Date Sunday Nov 27, 2011 Time 3:30pm - 8:00pm

Venue Finnagan's Bistro Bar & Billiards

13560 - Fort Road, Edmonton

Contact calvin@lscobaedm.org

Southern California

Monthly Dim Sum Gathering

Date every first Sunday Time noon to 2 pm

Venue **Empress Harbor Seafood Restaurant**

111 N. Atlantic Blvd., 3/F,

Monterey Park

San Francisco Bay Area

Fall BBQ

Date: Sunday, November 6, 2011

Time: 10:30am to 3pm

The City of Fremont, Central Park Picnic Venue:

Area (Book 1)

40000 Paseo Padre Pkwy Fremont, CA 94538

Costs: \$18/Adult, \$12/Student RSVP: sf@lscobasf.com

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Principal's Corner

Principal's Autumn Message

Greetings to all the La Salle Old Boys in North America.

It is some time since I have written but I do hope you keep track of us back home at 18 La Salle Road through the College website www.lasalle.edu.hk Life at La Salle College is never dull as we have our first HKDSE class preparing for the HKDSE exam and the last ever Form 7 in this our 80th year – both a sadness (the last ever F7) and a joy (our 80th birthday).

In this letter I share briefly some thoughts which are a synopsis of discussions and presentations I am giving at meetings and functions at the school at the moment. I will also provide a copy of a 4 page newspaper article on LaSalle College¹ that was published some weeks ago - it really does us proud. Also, the renovations are complete on the ground floor and office; there is a new bell and PA system, and the entire replacement of the air-conditioning system. I have asked the Campus TV Team to film a walkthrough of the renovations and make it available to our old boys.

On the 2nd November we have an exciting day with the OB of 61 and 66 coincidently celebrating at school on the same day. The local 66er's have been challenged by the Santa Clara 66er's in a footy game to kick things off.

La Salle College Progressing Toward its 2020 Vision:

La Salle College was founded in 1931/32 in the Lasallian tradition and has as its vision 'To inspire and challenge students to achieve excellence in all things'. Inspire, challenge, and excellence being the key components that express the College's character. La Salle College Hong Kong inspires and challenges boys to achieve excellence through a quality education, with a Christian ethos, that is available to all regardless of ethnicity, religion, wealth, or status.

But what does this mean in the Hong Kong of today, part of a borderless world, some eighty years after its foundation.

A quality education today must be interpreted in the context of a global education community. Influenced by the United Nation's Delores Report, nations and education jurisdictions individually and collectively are framing national educational goals that will provide students success in the new global economy to ensure nations are able to develop and prosper. Such goals articulate not only core knowledge required of 21st century learners but also core competencies. Our own New Senior Secondary Curriculum Reform (NSS) in Hong Kong aligns with this framework, the Framework for 21st Century Learning. Alongside core knowledge students must also learn the essential skills for success in today's world, such as critical thinking, problem solving, communication, and collaboration. In addition to core subjects of english, languages, arts, mathematics, economics, science, humanities and civics, schools must also develop student competence in global literacy, financial literacy, civic literacy, health literacy, and environmental literacy.

The skills required of a 21st century learner in the attainment of such literacies are:

- 1. Learning & Innovation Skills these skills prepare students for increasingly complex life and work environments and involve
 - (i) creativity and innovation;
 - (ii) critical thinking and problem solving;
 - (iii) communication and collaboration.
- 2. Information, Media, and Technology Skills these are the skills that utilize ICT tools to aid communication and collaboration i. e
 - (i) to be able to access and evaluate information critically and competently;
 - (ii) use information accurately and creatively;
 - (iii) understand how media messages are constructed and for what purpose;
 - (iv) create media products using digital technologies (computers, mobile devices, apps) and conventions appropriate to cultural contexts;
 - (v) apply technology effectively.
- 3. Life & Careers Skills -Tomorrow's life and work contexts require more than just knowledge and thinking skills but also
 - (i) flexibility and adaptability;

¹ The September 23 2011 issue of Sunday Examiner is now available at http://www.lscobaedm.org/newsletter/LSC 80th Jubilee Examiner.pdf



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- (ii) initiative and self-direction;
- (iii) social and cross-cultural skills;
- (iv) productivity and accountability;
- (v) leadership and responsibility.

What does this mean for La Salle College?

La Salle College has at its core, from its foundation, set by Br. Aimar and the first Brothers', a culture of rigor and excellence. La Salle boys seek in all things to attain the best they can, and to be the best of the best. La Salle College has a passion for competition and most boys excel in a variety of domains be it academic, sporting, or cultural as is the holistic nature of the ethos of the College.

La Salle College has in its 2020 Strategic Plan specific goals and actions to achieve a truly 21st century learning framework. In addition to the extraordinary achievement in knowledge and thinking La Salle College will continue to develop the 4 c's (creativity, critical thinking, communication, and collaboration); information, media and ICT literacy; as well as life and career skills.

The College has thought long and hard and has taken the last twelve months to set a vision for how it is going to develop 21st century learning for the 21st century. And it is clear that both eLearning (Electronically Supported Learning) and mLearning (Mobile Learning) will be part of that scenario. BUT in a way and at a pace that contributes and adds value to the teaching and learning process. La Salle College does not need to use eLearning to motivate or drill boys but will engage mLearning to enhance the accessibility of knowledge so that teachers can assist boys to be aware of how such knowledge is constructed, for what purpose, so as to be able to critically analyze, include, incorporate, and collaborate with it and its creators wherever they are in the world, generating new knowledge, new learning, and in the process learning how to repackage and communicate that knowledge so as to be able to function and achieve at the best, with the best, within the 21st century knowledge society.

La Salle College will redevelop its fiber backbone, upgrade its Cat-6 and Wi-Fi capacity so that when teachers and students need to access and engage eLearning by whatever mLearning tool, they are able to do so.

Why? Because if we do not we will be left behind. Our lads will be less competitive than the best, less communicative, less adaptable, less flexible, less able to collaborate and communicate, less able to argue and articulate, less able to apply and analyze core knowledge which they have global aptitude in acquiring. This is the very antitheses of what it is to be Lasallian, for a Lasallian from day one learns that a Lasallian is something more.

To conclude, I again seek your ongoing support in whatever way you can. To those returning from overseas, I invite you to visit the College. With some advanced warning I would invite you to interview a small group of lads to get them use to discussing global issues with a relative stranger to gain confidence and competence in communication and global analysis. The Foundation will once again come seeking your support financially as we upgrade so as to be able to provide the facilities that are required to provide quality education today.

The first eight classes moved into La Salle College from the St Joseph's Branch School on Chatham Road, Tsim Sha Tsui on December 6th 1931 (in the middle of the Great Depression) with new enrolments entering on January 6th 1932. This must have brought great hope to Hong Kong to see such a grand building go up in 12 months – the Foundation stone was laid in November 1930. This December 2011 we will host a number of 80th Jubilee events beginning with the Jubilee Mass at the cathedral on Friday December 2nd. Please check the Jubilee page on the College website for details of these events. (web.lasalle.edu.hk/80th)

Wherever you are this year, I encourage you to get together as OBA Chapters or year groups or as friends to celebrate and pay tribute to those who have gone before us making La Salle College what it is today and to give thanks for what La Salle College has done for you. But more importantly, La Salle College is not just a memory, hopefully La Salle College has provided each of you with of course skills and competencies, but also the values and moral code to be men for others: to be passionate and kind; to be generous and forgiving; to be able to speak up and ensure your work places, organizations, and institutions are more just and that through your Lasallian education the world is a better place.

Br. Steve

Editor's note: Old Boys to come back to school and spend time with our current students, please Email Brother Steve directly (brsteve@lasalle.edu.hk) with your available dates and times, either individually or as groups of old boys (eg several boys from an Overseas OBA Chapter). Brother Steve would directly coordinate the visit for you.



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Chapter News

San Francisco Bay Area Chapter





President Andrew Sien and his executive committee welcomed new La Salle graduates to join our San Francisco (Bay Area) brotherhood.

The Chapter held a welcoming Dim Sum Lunch at Fun Lam Mun Restaurant, Mountain View CA on 2nd Oct 2011 (Sat). 8 newcomers were presented. During the relaxing but bonhomie lunch, President Sien expressed our warmly welcome and care to the newcomers. He briefly introduced our chapter, our future gatherings, and our sports teams. He further ensured that the Big brothers are willing to help and give advices on any matter in need.

The Chapter hopes the "little brothers" will settle down in the Bay Area smoothly and wishes them prosperity in their studies and works in this foreign land.

More pictures are available at https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=896523198278&l=b5759083cb

Fall B-B-Q

The LSCOBA San Francisco Bay Area Chapter will hold its Fall B-B-Q on Sunday, November 6, 2011. All LaSallians are invited. If any out-of-town visiting old boy happens to be in the San Francisco area that weekend, please join us in this activity as well. This event promises to have games, luck draw, and plenty of good food. Details of the event are as follow:

Date: Sunday, November 6, 2011

Time: 10:30am to 3pm

Venue: The City of Fremont, Central Park Picnic Area (Book 1)

40000 Paseo Padre Pkwy

Fremont, CA 94538

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Reunions

La Salle College Old Boys Global Reunion Vancouver 2012

Victor Leung (1977)



Highlights of GR2012

GR2012 will be held in Richmond, a flourishing suburb of Vancouver and where Vancouver International Airport (YVR) is located. The venue will be the <u>Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel</u>, which is conveniently located within walking distances from <u>Canada Line</u> stations (Greater Vancouver Area's rapid transit system), various shopping malls and restaurants. We urge you to take advantage of the early bird discount at \$128 per room-night when making reservations prior to May 31, 2012. The Organizing Committee is in the process of setting up direct on-line reservation at our GR21012 website http://gr2012.lscob-global.net. Please check the website for the latest updates.





The Vancouver Chapter is pleased to announce that Bro. Steve Hogan, current Principal of our Alma Mater, has agreed to be our special guest of honour at GR2012. At a special gathering on August 2^{nd} , 2012, Bro. Steve will share his insights with fellow LaSallians and provide updates of the school.

In addition to the special gathering with Bro. Steve, some of the highlights of the tentative reunion schedule include:

Date	Event
August 2, 2012 (Thursday)	Meeting with Brother Steve
August 3, 2012 (Friday)	Global Conference
August 4, 2012 (Saturday)	Soccer Tournament, Golf Tournament, Half-Day Tour, Saturday mass
August 5, 2012 (Sunday)	Soccer Tournament, Half-Day Tour, Finale Dinner

As one of the objectives of the biennial Global Reunion is to provide a venue to facilitate reunions of different graduating classes, rather than viewing the Global Reunion just as a global fraternity event, LaSallians should also view this Reunion as their own class reunions, which happen to be partly organized by the joint effort of different OBA chapters across the world.

Please mark your calendar and start planning for your own reunion in the summer of 2012!

30th Anniversary Reunion of Class 1981

105 classmates of Class 1981 celebrated its 30th Anniversary Re-union on 17 Sept, 2011. The event kicked off in the morning with school tours of both La Salle College (LSC) and La Salle Primary School (LSPS). Visiting the schools refreshed the memory of our good old days. Class 81 was one of the 2 classes in La Salle history that had experienced all 4 phases of LSC:

- 1. the old La Salle that had the "majestic dome" and the "desert"--the sandy football field (Form 1);
- the old La Salle that did not have the "desert".....we played football in tennis courts and volleyball courts (Form 2 and Form 3);
- the new La Salle that did not have the astro turf and all weather tracks....we played football in the gym (Form 4 and Form 5):
- the completed and the fully equipped new La Salle (Form 6 and Form 7).

Therefore, when we toured the new schools and saw those pictures and models of the old school buildings, there could not be anything else but memorable flashbacks of our youth that filled up our minds!

After the school tour, a friendly football game was arranged. Although we are all in our late 40's, some of us can still play some good football. Playing football with the old classmates again is really priceless. This football game also gave the 81ers a chance to step on La Salle's 4th generation artificial turf, which is one of the best in the world.

The highlight of the re-union was our dinner gala at the Chinese restaurant of Sheraton Hotel in Tsim Sha Tsui. 14 out of the 105 81ers came back from Australia, Canada, Japan, and the US to attend the event. 23 Brothers and teachers also joined the auspicious event. The 81ers were so honored that Brother Thomas (who came back to HK from Japan one day early to join the dinner), Brother Steve, Mr. Peter Chiu, Mr. Joseph Chung, Mr. Yik Kwan, Ms. Cecilia Tang, Mr. Henry Lau, Mr. Chiu Siu Lai, Mr. Fredrick Lam, Mr. John Au, Mr. Albert Loong, Mr Woo Ho Wei, Mr. TP Cheung, Mr. Peter Cheung Wah Tai, Mr. YY Kan, Mr. Alex Kwok, Mr. Lau Yiu Hon, Mr. Victor Lo, Mrs. Sylvia Cheung, La Salle Primary's Mr. Francis Fung, Mrs Elizabeth Pau, Mrs. Madeleine Wang and OBA's Mr. Mark Huang had come to celebrate the re-union with us.







All 105 classmates wore school uniform, the same way we wore to school in the late 70's and early 80's.....white shirt, grey pants, school tie and our famous old fashioned Adidas and Puma sneakers. We all felt like we were teenagers once more!! We were all young again!!

Before dinner started, we sang our beloved school song as the curtain opener. Mr. Joseph Chung then cheered us up by chanting "Give me a L, Give me a S, Give me a C.......". After the eloquent speeches by Brother Thomas and Brother Steve, we watched a DVD prepared by classmates Johnny Hui Sai Lun and James Ma Man Lung that showed some memorable pictures of our good old days. All 81ers were so hyper that we started to walk around to chat with old pals and teachers even before the first dish was finished. The



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whole evening was full of fun and joy. The dinner ended at 10:15pm by singing the school song one more time. We were all very excited, especially when we came to "when the old boys get together, we will always sing this song".

It was of course not the end of the night. Most of the 81ers went to the 30th floor of I-Square for drinks, and continue to walk through the "memory lane" in the late 70's and early 80's. We went home at 2:00am and we all were filled with La Salle Spirit.

It was a memorable day that witnessed friendship could stay forever and more importantly - La Salle is something more!

On Behalf of Class 1981,

Peter Cheung (張定賢)















Class of 61 Golden Anniversary

The Class of 1961 will be celebrating their Golden Anniversary 5 - 18 November 2011 in Hong Kong.

An organizing committee, "the LSCOB61 Committee", chaired by Mr. Joe Y.K. Chiu, with Mr. James K.C. Ho as secretary, and comprised of local and overseas members, has planned a two-week programme of festive activities to mark this momentous occasion for the 61ers. The programme consists of the following events.

Event	Date
Happy Hour	4 November 2011 (Friday)
School Visit	5 November 2011 (Saturday)
Reunion Dinner	5 November 2011 (Saturday)
Yangtze River Cruise	7 - 12 November 2011 (Monday to Saturday)
Dinner	13 November 2011 (Sunday)
Pearl River Delta Tour	14 - 16 November 2011 (Monday to Wednesday)
Seafood Dinner	18 November 2011 (Friday)

A website has been created by our classmate, Francis Siu, for this reunion: http://www.lscob61.com. Please visit this site for more detailed information on these events and other items related to the Golden Anniversary.

While the committee has a list of 61ers, there are still many whose whereabouts are not known to the committee. All 61ers, and those who attended (since 1954-55 in P5) and left LSC but would have graduated in 1961, are cordially invited to participate in this Golden Anniversary event. Those 61ers not already on the mailing list are invited to join up by contacting the committee at reunion@lscob61.com. If you know of any LSC 61ers who may not be aware of this event, it will be appreciated if you can pass the word along to them.

The LSCOB61 Committee for the Golden Anniversary Reunion

Class of 71 40th Anniversary

An organizing committee has been formed to organize festive activities to mark the momentous occasion for the Class of 1971. Planned activities include:

- campus tour to La Salle College and La Salle Primary School,
- a reunion dinner at the Kowloon Tong Club (九龍塘會),
- a 2-day-1-night trip with family members to Huizhou (惠州), and
- a 3 hours hiking to the Violet Hill Trail (紫羅蘭山徑) followed by a dinner in Stanley area.

The committee is headed by Dr. Robert Yuen Kar-ngai, and contacting email for this event is 71lasallians@gmail.com. All '71
Lasallians - those 1971 LSC F.5 graduates / logical LSC 1971 F.5 graduates (for example 1960 LSPC P.1, left LSPC/LSC for studying aboard before completing F.5 in 1971, 1973 LSC F.7 graduates etc.), are cordially invited to participate the above activities with their family members.

'71 Lasallians on the mailing list have been notified and invited to join up via circular email. If you know of any '71 Lasallians who may not be aware of this event, it would be appreciated if you can pass this message to them.

Fellow LaSallians are welcome to send in their class reunion announcements to be published in this newsletter. Write-ups and pictures are most welcome.

Please send all materials to editors@lscobaedm.org.

Editors



La Salle College 80th Jubilee

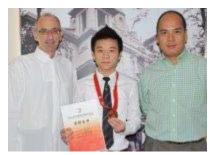
La Salle College 80th Jubilee Celebrations will be kicked off with an Opening Mass set for September 9, 2011 and the climax will be the 80th Anniversary Dinner planned for May 12, 2012 at Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre. For more update information, please visit http://stu.lasalle.edu.hk/80th/index.html.

School News

Excerpts from http://www.lasalle.edu.hk

2011-10-29

Michael Tam (6B), one of the Hong Kong Fencing Team members, won the Bronze Medal in the Team Competition at The 7th National Intercity Games of the People's Republic of China (7th NIG) which was held in Nanchang, Jiangxi Province from the 16th to 25th October, 2011.



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La Salle College Students Success in the Australian National Chemistry Exam (2011)

In July 2011, 74 Form 5 La Salle College boys sat the Grade 11 (Form 6) Australian Chemistry Exam and 4 Form 5 La Salle College boys sat the Grade 12 (Form 7) Exam. Of these 78 boys eight (8) boys achieved the top Award, the Award of Excellence, given to only 800 students worldwide who achieved in the top 100% quartile.

Award of Excellence	MOK Ka Long 6E, TANG Ki Wan 6E, CHEUNG Tsz Him 6G, HO Hung Pan 6G, LAM Ying Pong 6G, LEE Wai To 6G, Ng Yueu Zhun 6G, TSANG Kin 6G
High Distinction	34 La Salle College boys achieved High Distinction
Distinction	14 boys achieved Distinction
Credit	8 boys achieved Credit



Congratulations to the boys first of all, and to Ms Lam and the staff who have mentored them along the way.

2011-10-14

La Salle College Old Boy's Association Past President, Mr. Joseph Lee, SBS, JP is to be awarded an Honorary Degree

Hong Kong Baptist University will confer an honorary degree on Mr. Joseph Lee 李宗德 (1969) on the 7th November 2011 for his outstanding achievements and remarkable contribution to society. Mr. Lee, SBS, JP will be awarded the degree of Doctor of Social Sciences, honoris causa. Mr. Lee has been working in Hong Kong for more than 30 years since completing his studies and working for a brief time in the U.S.A. In 1980, he founded Wofoo Plastics Ltd., which has become one of the largest manufacturers of PVC compounds in Asia. He received the Young Industrialist Award in 1991 and an Honorary Fellowship in 2000. Committed to serving the community, he continues his third consecutive term as a Deputy of the National People's Congress of the PRC and currently chairs government boards such as Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education, Environmental Campaign Committee and associations such as Hong Kong Chinese Importers' and Exporters' Association and Joint Committee for the Promotion of The Basic Law of Hong Kong. He is Deputy Chairman of the Vocational Training Council. In recognition of his dedication to youth work and the development of trade, manufacturing industries and technology in Hong Kong, he was appointed as the Justice of the Peace in 2003 and was awarded the Bronze Bauhinia Star and Silver Bauhinia in 2000 and 2008 respectively.



Congratulations Mr. Lee, from all your Lasallian family.