

Morning Assembly- 10 –minute English (29.10.12)

## The History of WYY

This year is a very special year for our school because we are going to celebrate the 35<sup>th</sup> birthday of WYY. That means our school is 35 years old. However, we don't say 35th birthday, we say 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. So we should say 'we are celebrating the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our school'.

Last week a form 1 showed me the letter of the Joint school sports day and asked me why our school is called 6 中. It seems to me that many students, especially the F1 students, don't know much of our school. That's why today , I'm going to talk about our school. But I'm not going to talk about the school at present, I'm going to talk the school 35 years ago, when it was born. Actually, I used the wrong word, I shouldn't use the word 'born'. 'Born' is for human or animals. I should use the word 'founded'. WYY was founded in 1977 by the Wu's Family. The Wu's Family is the owner of Wing Lung Bank, that's why our school has 2 stone statues at the entrance. If you go to the head office of Wing Lung Bank, you can see the same stone statues at the entrance.

When our school was first founded in 1977, it was the 6<sup>th</sup> secondary school of Tung Wah. That's why we call ourselves 6 中. Now Tung Wah has 18 secondary schools. This Friday is our Joint School Sports day and you will see all their names in Siu Sai Wan Sports Ground and you'll meet the students too.

Let's come back to our own school. When our school was first founded in 1977, we only had 4 Form 1 classes and 6 teachers. Of the 6 teachers, only 2 remain-- one is myself and the other one is... No, I'm not going to tell you. You have to find it out yourself, but I can give you some hints. He is a male teacher and he teaches all the boys in WYY.

In the first 3 years , we did not have our own buildings. We used the school premises or buildings of Chen Zeo Man College ( 4<sup>th</sup> college of Tung Wah) in Kwai Shing. We shared the school buildings with Chen Zeo Man College for 3 years. In the last year, WYY had 12 classes (F1-F3) and we didn't have enough classrooms, so we split into morning session and afternoon session. All Chen Zeo Men students went to school in the morning and WYY students started school at 1 pm and finished school at 6pm. However, we had to go to school on Saturdays.

In 1980, we moved here and we were all very happy to have our own school buildings. At first, we only had 3 buildings. The building on your left is the new wing which was built later. And the space behind me where we now have the English Corner, rooms G01 & G02

was at that time a covered playground for playing table tennis.

Since we moved in, many changes had taken place. For example, the installation of air conditioning, the upgrading of our classrooms, playground, gardens and carpark, teachers come and go. Even our principal, Mr Lee, he is our fifth principal.

Boys and girls. Our school is going to celebrate its 35th Anniversary on the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of December. We are going to have an exhibition on the history of WYY. You will see pictures of our school, teachers, students in the past 35 years. We're going to have open days and we'll invite guests to come. We will ask the past students or the old boys and girls to come back to celebrate this great occasion together with us. I hope all of you can be a part of this party and have fun.