

Monthly Newsletter

Your Child's **Voice Matters**

1st Cohort of

TQUK-Endorsed Certificates in Debate and Public Speaking Awarded to See Change Students



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Congratulations See to all Change students awarded the new and prestigious TQUK-Endorsed Certificate in Debate and Public Speaking (Level 1)!

Training Qualifications UK (TQUK) is among the awarding organizations in the UK recognized by the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual) - and an certificate endorsed recognized by schools, colleges and universities to represent world-class quality, in-demand learning, skill, achievement and success in that subject area.

Find out from us today how this certification can help develop your child's speech and debate potential and add value to their portfolio.

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Help Your Child Be A Voice For Change Making the most of dinner-time and drive-time talk



As Elissa Strauss writes for CNN, it has become harder for children to experience childhood as a time of blissful ignorance about the state of our planet. News reports about climate change, pollution, disease, poverty, violence, and war touch their daily lives, giving them cause for concern and often inspiring them to seek change. Role models such as Greta Thunberg and Malala Yousafzai prove that sometimes when kids take action, adults listen.

Many young people curious about causes and eager to express themselves tend to be drawn to online activism and social media. This can be a great way to spark interest, but it's not always the best way to effect real change.

In his book, "The Quiet Before: On the Unexpected Origins of Radical Ideals," Gal Beckerman explains the need for young people to understand the power of quieter, slower and historically effective approaches to change - those that tend to take place off social media and begin with intimate conversation and deliberation about issues - not shouting in the streets or online.

Speaking to CNN, Beckerman discusses the role that parents can play in helping their children figure out what to do about a cause they are interested in. He highlights dinnertime or drive-time talk, or conversations in small groups, as important in children understanding the complexity of issues and perfect the art of speaking and listening. He also talks about why a day volunteering will teach them more about changing the world than TikTok.

Beckerman says, "It's important for parents to make a distinction between expressing solidarity with causes you believe in and doing something to effect change. You don't want kids to think that all they (must) do is post a hashtag of something they agree with or post a picture at a protest to be an effective activist."

Beckerman also says, "The dinner table becomes (the) space where we can talk over these things, and ... where they can practice having a conversation There is a skill and art to the kind of exchanges that happen around the table, which is different from the exclamations or declarations they will hear online. They are learning to listen, to go back and forth, to take somebody's ideas and improve on them. This is all great for a kid to practice under the safety net of their family."

To read the full article, go to https://edition.cnn.com/2022/04/22/health/kids-activism-parenting-wellness/index.html

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Let Your Child's Voice Be Heard

Opportunity to speak on multiple online platforms



Final call for entries for the AIM Cup English Public Speaking Competition, See Change Education's expanded format providing an even bigger and better forum for your child to engage in speech contest with peers locally and regionally!

This year we have created separate leagues for schools in Hong Kong and those overseas, with five age groups in each league and different adjudication divisions within the Hong Kong league for students studying in EMI and CMI schools.

Your child could win the opportunity to be heard on multiple online platforms. Winners will also receive certificates and trophies, scholarships (with a total value of HK\$30,000) to enroll in courses at See Change Education, and other prizes including a unique Playright "Play Manual".

The competition is receiving overwhelming support from people from all walks of life in the community, notable among them Principal Chu Tsz Wing (Head Principal of St. Hilary's Kindergarten and Primary School) and Spider Mother Lisa Cheng (Winner of Miss Fit World). Click here to hear what they say about the competition.

Children between the ages of 5 and 18 can participate by registering and submitting their speech clips by Sunday, 5 June.

Through the competition's theme, your child will be able to reflect on the wider meanings of "play" by thinking outside existing frameworks, reunderstanding the essence of "game", and exploring the value of "game" from multiple perspectives including historical, social, and personal.



Principal Chu Tsz Wing (朱子穎) Head Principal of St. Hilary's Kindergarten and Primary School



Spider Mother Lisa Cheng (鄭麗莎) Winner of Miss Fit World

For details and registration, please click on the link: https://www.aim-cup.org



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Voices from the UKGirls' Boarding School Education

Fourteen prestigious British boarding schools for girls presented in the 6th Girls' Schools Association Hong Kong Expo held online this year on Saturday, 7 May.

Principals and school directors speaking at the Expo shared a wealth of experience with insights on the benefits of learning in a girls-only (or predominantly girls-only) environment as well as information on specialisms and facilities their schools offer.

Parents and students attending the Expo came away with a comprehensive understanding of education in the UK and current expectations that British girls' boarding schools have of applicants applying from overseas.

At the Expo, See Change Education provided a free assessment tool for all students, and hosted a session on "How to Ace Your Test". We hope that attendees at this presentation gained valuable information about the UK school admissions test system, with the tips offered by expert tutors in the field.

Getting to Know:



Nikita Speech & Debate Coach

My name is Nikita and I'm currently finishing my master's degree in legal practice in London, UK. Before that, I studied Law at the University of Oxford. My path into law and indeed into who I am today was very closely tied to debate and public speaking, as it was in school debating and Model United Nations conferences where discovered a passion for writing, oratory skill, and critical analysis.

I couldn't be more thrilled to be passing my knowledge and experience to bright young students at See Change and hopefully stimulating them to pursue their own dreams and ambitions.



To enroll in a <u>UK Test Prep Class</u>, please contact us at +852 9722 0818. Going by our proven track record and success stories in preparing students for admission to the bet schools in the UK, you too can be confident of your child's entry into their dream school.

Schools that our students have been admitted include:

- Roedean School
- Cheltenham Ladies' College
- Harrow School
- St Mary's, Ascot
- Badminton School