

Good morning Principal, Vice Principal, Assistant Principals, teachers and fellow schoolmates,

Do you know why having cameras is crucial? Is it because they can snapshot the most meaningful moments in our life to refresh our forever fuzzy memories? Indeed, you may be right. Cameras are used in these ways by most people, except me. Camera provides a platform for me to connect with other people; to connect with our society; to connect with the globe. Perhaps, you may wonder if these are true. Apart from skills, is there more to photography? Well, these are exactly what I have experienced during my 3-year participation in the Ho Fung Channel: skills, connection, inspiration, and horizons.

In the beginning, I learnt to use cameras properly to help capture the perfect moments for the major school events, like the Singing Contests, the House Drama, which helped me connect with other people. Being one of the photographers in those school events, I interacted with other schoolmates, trying to capture their satisfaction, their passion, their perseverance, ins and outs, ups and downs, all in one single picture, in that split second.

Of course, it's not only the connection within the school community, but with the world.

Since joining Ho Fung Channel, I have attended different exhibitions, such as the Field of Vision, showcasing the masterpieces of photographers from different corners of the globe to enrich viewers' understanding about the global situations like animal rights, refugee crisis, gender equality. The list goes on. By applying those photography skills learnt, I can relate to the photographers' feelings towards the issues by making good use of different photography skills, such as lighting, and learn how appalling and sorrowful the issues are. These experiences have definitely provided me food for thought and broadened my insights regarding world issues.

Yet, the most precious outcome earned from my experience is not photography skills but the ability to become an able leader. Being a bashful person, I dared not express my opinions, let alone speaking in front of the crowd three years ago. Indeed, I encountered a number of hiccups when collaborating and cooperating with my teammates. For example, I had left my teammates feeling frustrated by giving them ambiguous instructions when running activities. Fortunately, because of their acceptance, assistance and auspices, I took my very first step out of my comfort zone to interact and establish bonds with other people. Eventually, I have become a person who is able to lead and able to influence.

Wanting to achieve a fruitful school life? Remember, opportunity knocks but once. Just be engaging and get a taste of whatever sounds intriguing to you. Ultimately, I can assure that you won't miss the boat. Thank you.