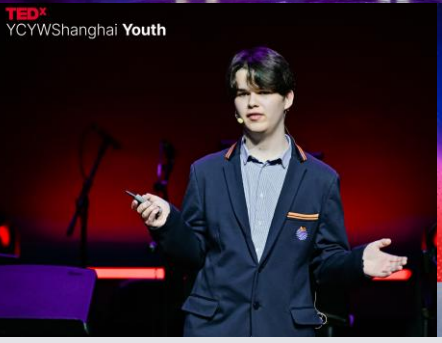
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2026 TEDxYCYW Shanghai Youth: One Seed, Infinite Possibilities

On 10 May 2026, more than 100 students, teachers, and community members from YCYW campuses across the Chinese mainland and Hong Kong SAR gathered at Shanghai Wanping Theatre for the TEDxYCYW Shanghai Youth event. Under the theme "Seeds for Tomorrow", participants shared their hopes and reflections on the future of individuals, communities, society, and our planet through keynote talks, interactive exhibitions, workshops, and art displays. The topics of the this TEDx event were rich and varied, including technology ethics, environmental protection, social welfare, and the meaning of life. Each topic reflects the profound thinking and humanistic concerns of the younger generation.

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Last Call to Join YCYW Summer Programme.

Seats are limited.

Act Now!

Event Recap



20-24 April; YCYW Campuses

YCYW Reading Week 2026
Experiencing the Joy and Richness of Reading

World Book Day occurs annually on 23 April to encourage reading worldwide. Since 2023, YCYW Education Network has dedicated the entire week in which 23 April falls to celebrate reading across all campuses. Taking the ethos of World Book Day as a guiding principle, we integrate global perspectives with our daily educational practices. The YCYW Reading Programme is a sustained, long-term initiative, led by the Academic Quality Assurance & Development Division.

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7 May; YCIS Beijing

Speakers: Dr Jin Yiwen, Paediatrician, United Family Healthcare & Former Paediatrician, Peking University First Hospital; Ms Zhao Zhanshu, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, China Teacher Training Network Senior Education Media Expert

YCYW Educational Lecture Series 2025-2026 #13
The Battle for the Brain in the Digital Era

When children’s emotions become increasingly difficult to manage and their attention spans grow ever shorter, do we really understand what is happening behind the screen? Short videos, social media, games… these seemingly harmless digital products are quietly reshaping children’s brains. The dopamine trap, cortisol-induced anxiety, and a lack of endorphins—screens are not only consuming time, but also affecting children’s emotional regulation and self-control.

Watch the playback video



8 May; YCCECE & YCIS Hong Kong

Peking University Delegation Explores Educational Innovation at YCYW
Deep Integration of Technology Education and Innovative Practice

Organised by the Graduate School of Education at Peking University, a delegation of primary and secondary school principals and education research leaders from cities including Shenzhen, Changsha, Chongqing, and Xi'an recently visited the Yew Chung Yew Wah Education Network. The exchange was designed to spark deep, future-oriented conversations around technology education and school leadership.

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8 May; Hong Kong SAR

Distinguished Alumna Michel Mak
Congratulations for winning the Gold Award!

Ms Michel Mak, a Class of 2012 alumna of YCIS Hong Kong, holds an LLB from The University of Hong Kong and an LLM in International Arbitration (with Distinction) from Queen Mary University of London. She made a decisive transition from law into journalism and joined Phoenix TV Hong Kong Channel, where she is now an anchor and reporter. This year, Ms Mak’s episode "The IP Craze" won the Gold Award in the Best Business News Series Reporting (Video and Audio) at the 10th Hang Seng University of Hong Kong Business Journalism Awards.

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Event Recap



14 May; YCCECE & YCIS Hong Kong

Professor Ha Wei Visited YCYW and Delivered a Keynote Lecture
Fostering Industry-Academia Collaboration

On 14 May, Professor Ha Wei, Associate Dean of Peking University's Graduate School of Education, visited YCCECE and YCIS Hong Kong. During his visit, Professor Ha Wei delivered a lecture, drawing on international comparisons, theoretical analysis, and regional case studies to explore several key themes: the global bay-area innovation ecosystem, collaboration between higher education and the tech industry, and development pathways for the Greater Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Bay Area.

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20-22 May; YWIES Beijing Yizhuang

YCYW School Games 2026
Never Give Up, Enjoy Every Moment

From 20 to 22 May, the three-day YCYW School Games were successfully held at YWIES Beijing Yizhuang. Teams from campuses across the YCYW Education Network, including Hong Kong SAR, Beijing, Shanghai, Qingdao, Yantai, Guangzhou, Chongqing, and Zhejiang Tongxiang, gathered in Beijing to compete in basketball, football, and athletics. Although everyone hoped to win each game, victory was not the only measure of success for these young athletes. Enjoying the competitions, making friends, and building character were the greatest rewards of these games.

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21 May; Chaoyang District, Beijing

YCYW Students Shine on Stage
Dr Esther Chan Speaks at HKCCC Chaoyang Promotion Conference

On 21 May, Chaoyang Themed Promotion Conference of Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce in China (HKCCC) Asia Forum was held in Beijing. At the HKCCC Anniversary Dinner, five students from YWIES Beijing Yizhuang showcased their remarkable skills by performing classic pieces for the attending delegates. In addition, 31 students from the YCIS Beijing Primary Choir captivated the audience during the opening performance.

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21 May; YCIS Qingdao
Speaker: Dr Yibin Chen, Expert in Full-Spectrum Educational Practice for Children and Young People Aged 0 to 22

YCYW Educational Lecture Series 2025-2026 #14
Unlocking Potential, Guiding with Care

Every child is a unique seed, brimming with boundless potential. A parent's presence is the light that illuminates their path to growth, and the wind that propels them forward. This lecture is not merely a sharing of knowledge, but a dialogue of the heart. We look forward to joining you in redefining the meaning of 'presence', mastering high-impact parenting techniques, and ensuring that every interaction becomes a catalyst for your child's development.

Watch the playback video

Upcoming Events

4 JUN

YCYW Educational Lecture Series 2025-2026 #15

As AI continues to Grow More Intelligent What Skills Are Most Important for Humans to Develop?

Speaker: Dr Brian Wong, HKU-100 Scholar & Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, The University of Hong Kong

VENUE
YWIES Guangzhou

DETAILS



12 | 26 JUN

Class of 2026 – Graduation Ceremony

VENUE
YCYW Campuses

Congratulations!



16 JUN

Alumni Homecoming Day
Student Sports Match & BBQ Party

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YWIES Shanghai Lingang

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18 JUN

YCYW Educational Lecture Series 2025-2026 #16

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YWIES Yantai

Stay TUNED

25 | 27 JUN

Learning & Teaching Expo 2026
Reimagining Education: Human Centric, Future Ready
YCCECE booth no.: J35, Hall 3B

VENUE
HKCEC, Hong Kong SAR

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Bilingual Learning Communities Corner



Fostering Student Agency
From Theory to Action

In an era when education is shifting toward student-centered learning, Ms Lorraine German and Ms Jeannie Barclay, Year-5 homeroom teachers at YCIS Hong Kong, led an inspiring workshop titled "Building the Confidence to Inquire."

The session, held at YWIES Guangzhou on 12 Mar 2026 as part of the "2026 BLC Documentary and Conference", focused on the critical mission of fostering "active agency"—the capacity for students to take initiative and ownership of their own learning.

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In order to cultivate the "spirit of inquiry", students must feel a profound sense of "personal safety and belonging".

*12 March, **YWIES Guangzhou***

*Ms Lorraine German & Ms Jeannie Barclay, Year-5 homeroom teachers at **YCIS Hong Kong***

YCYW Campus Highlights

Valentina
YCIS Hong Kong



YCIS Hong Kong athlete attained the "AS Watson Group Hong Kong Outstanding Student Sports Award (SSA)" among numerous outstanding student athletes in the primary category. This year's awardees comprise of 553 male and 444 female students, with the youngest awardees aged 10, covering 70 sporting disciplines, including traditional sports such as basketball, football, volleyball, athletics and swimming.

Learn more about SSA

Cici, Cynthia, Gwendelyn, Ian, Mike, Shary, William
YWIES Shanghai Lingang



The 2026 World Scholars' Cup Shanghai Regional Round has concluded successfully. Students from YWIES Shanghai Lingang delivered excellent performances and won numerous awards. All participants have qualified for the Global Round, which brings together outstanding students worldwide and offers opportunities to learn, compete, and even advance to the Tournament of Champions at Yale University.

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U14 Basketball Teams
YCIS Qingdao



It was the students' first experience with organised basketball, but they quickly learned the rules of the game and developed their fundamental skills. The highlight of this regular season was participating in QISN Sports (Qingdao International School Network). Competing against other international schools gave our players a real taste of match play, while representing the school with outstanding sportsmanship and grit.

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Students from Grade 3, Grade 4, and Grade 7
YWIES Beijing



Recently, the 5th International Youth Chinese Writing Competition successfully concluded, with over 5,000 participants from more than 500 international schools worldwide competing on the same stage. YWIES Beijing, with its outstanding organisational capabilities and innovative teaching practices, was honoured with the "Outstanding Organisation Award" and the "Excellence in Chinese Writing Teaching Award."

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YCYW Campus Highlights

Students and Parents
YCYW Beijing Yizhuang



On 23 May, 40 students and parents from YCYW Beijing Yizhuang participated in the first intra-school "2026 YCYW Beijing Yizhuang Campus Golf Invitational". The event was led by Mr Malcolm Harrison, Western Co-Principal of YWIES Beijing Yizhuang.

Read more (in Chinese only)

Ruixi, Nathan
YCIS Shanghai



Read on and see how our scholarship recipients grew between the sports field, the orchestra pit and the laboratory. When scholarship results are announced, the first things people usually notice are grades, awards and achievements. But what teachers and classmates tend to remember most about a student is rarely a single exam result. It is the way they carry themselves over time — the kind of presence they have within the school community.

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Yancy, Eleanor, Chiho, Xuan, and more...
YCIS Chongqing



YCIS Chongqing recently hosted the 2026 SCISAC Basketball Tournament, welcoming student-athletes, coaches, and supporters from The International School of Macau, Hangzhou International School, Nanjing International School, Xiamen International School, Hong Kong Academy, and our own YCIS Chongqing community. The tournament showcased athletic talent, resilience, teamwork, and sportsmanship at the highest level.

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Martyn
YCCECE



As an ethnic minority, Martyn was initially worried about fitting in at a local university. At YCCECE, the 100% English-learning environment helped him feel comfortable and confident to fully participate in class. Martyn is now a teacher trainee at YCIS Hong Kong and is studying part-time for his Bachelor of Education (Honours) at YCCECE.

Watch the video

Media Coverage

上海日报 SHINE

29.04.2026

YCYW Education Network invites you to its upcoming TEDx 2026

The TEDx YCYWShanghai Youth 2026, themed "Seeds for Tomorrow," has launched a series of youth-led activities in recent weeks, showcasing student creativity and participation. Through bold self-expression, moving musical performances, avant-garde art installations, and interactive STEAM projects, students will send a clear message: The future is not something to passively wait for; it is something to actively create.

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China Daily

13.05.2026

多名学子获QS世界大学排名高校录取，耀中耀华2026升学亮眼

截至2026年5月,耀中耀华2026届毕业生已累计收到接近1400份全球高校录取通知书,大批学子成功斩获QS世界大学排名前列高校录取,升学表现亮眼。本次录取覆盖多所QS世界顶尖学府,其中包含QS英美知名院校:哈佛大学、斯坦福大学、牛津大学、剑桥大学、帝国理工学院;QS亚洲头部院校:清华大学、北京大学、香港大学、韩国科学技术院(KAIST);以及QS榜单内全球知名艺术学府:帕森斯设计学院、伦敦艺术大学等。

Read more (in Chinese only)

SMG - Kankan News

14.05.2026

TedX Youth：耀中耀华学子如何种下“未来种子”

5月10日，上海宛平剧院。当小小演讲者们在TedX舞台上讲述“未来种子”的构想，当3D打印云室里的电离辐射轨迹清晰可辨，当联合艺术展的创意装置点亮嘉年华，当夏季音乐会的童声与旋律在剧场回荡——一场关乎科技、人文、艺术与成长的思想盛宴由此展开。

Read more (in Chinese only)

国际教育网

18.05.2026

喜报！临港耀华学子学术赛场大放异彩，斩获多项重磅荣誉！

Recently, students from YWIES Shanghai Lingang have been achieving remarkable success in various competitions. From literary creation to technological innovation, from artistic exhibitions to sports competitions, students have been overcoming challenges across multiple fields. They have repeatedly achieved outstanding results in high-level academic and innovation competitions both domestically and internationally.

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Advancement and Alumni Engagement



10 May; Shanghai Wanping Theatre

A Gathering of Brilliant Minds
Alumnus Martin Returns for TEDxYCYW Shanghai Youth Event

Martin shared that it was both a pleasure and an honour to return to YCIS Shanghai as an alumnus, where he had the opportunity to attend the recent TEDx event and watch younger students deliver their talks and presentations. He reflected on how inspiring it was to meet students who already demonstrated such strong ideas, creativity, and ambition. Martin also noted that his alma mater continues to evolve and improve, remarking that he admires current students who have the opportunity to take the stage at events like TEDx.

Comment, like, and share the post



14 May; YCIS Shanghai, Jinping No. 1 Middle School

Service Learning in Action – Bridging the Gap
How YCIS Shanghai is Making a Difference in Rural Education

In an effort to support educational equity, YCIS Shanghai recently embarked on a journey to China's southwestern frontier, bringing warmth and hope across thousands of miles. This initiative aligns with China's national strategy for East-West collaboration and the commitment of Changning District in Shanghai to provide support for this endeavour.

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15 May; YCIS Chongqing

Alumni Lecture Series: "Spark the Legacy"
More Than One Passion, More Than One Path

On 15 May, YCIS Chongqing hosted the fourth episode of the Alumni Lecture Series: "Spark the Legacy", and welcomed alumnus Mr Jack Hayley back to his alma mater. The event was jointly organised by the Marketing and Student Recruitment Division of YCIS Chongqing and the Institutional Advancement Office of YCYW.

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Support YCYW students, research, or the community. Your gift will create its own ripple effect, with ever-expanding waves of impact.

Support YCYW Community

Connect with our global network of exceptional leaders.

Join Our Alumni Community

Message from the Editors

Dear YCYW Community,

In this May 2026 issue of the YCYW Education Network Newsletter, we are also pleased to introduce a new section — "Bilingual Learning Communities Corner" — featuring real cases that highlight one of YCYW's uniqueness in nurturing bilingual proficiency, global outlook, and essential future-ready skills.

We would like to extend our warmest congratulations to the Class of 2026. With more than 1,400 university offers received to date and graduation ceremonies approaching in June, we wish our graduates every success as they turn the page into an exciting new chapter — and we hope more good news continues to come!

As always, if you have stories, updates, or initiatives to share in future issues, please feel free to contact us.

Kind regards,
Corporate Branding & Communications Division

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