

**USE OF ENGLISH AS-LEVEL SECTION E
DATA FILE**

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Memo from Ms Evelyn Ng to Sammy Lo

WAH FU COLLEGE
WATERFALL BAY ROAD
HONG KONG

MEMO

To: Sammy Lo
From: Ms E. Ng
Date: 1 March, 2002
Subject: Anniversary Newsletter

As you know, the Anniversary Committee would like to publish a special Anniversary Newsletter to commemorate the 35th anniversary of Wah Fu College. Apart from distributing it to current students, we would like to send the Newsletter to former students, and also to give it out to guests and visitors during the special events we are planning for the anniversary year. For these reasons, we think it would be best to produce the Newsletter in English, and we are pleased that English Club members have agreed to help.

I would like you to write an article about Wah Fu College for the Newsletter. The title of the article is '*Wah Fu College - Yesterday and Today*'.

I think you should have a section about the founding of the school, including who was responsible for starting it, what steps were involved in starting it, and what difficulties were encountered before the school opened.

Then you should contrast what the school was like in 1967 with what it is like today. You will need to talk about the school *premises* - the location, the building and the facilities. Obviously you will also want to discuss the *people* - the size and composition of the student body and the staff. You will also need to describe the school *philosophy* - the mission and the curriculum.

You can decide for yourself exactly how to organise the article. You should end by encouraging readers to visit the Wah Fu College web site, where they can learn more about our college.

I am enclosing a number of documents to help you.

Thank you.

E. Ng

Documents about the opening of Wah Fu College (WFC)

Transcript of part of a speech made by the Chairman of the Aberdeen Kaifong Association on the opening day of Wah Fu College, 1 December, 1967

I am very proud to be here today to celebrate the opening of Wah Fu College.

As all of you know, Aberdeen is a very traditional fishing village with a core of hard-working families, many of whom live on their boats. Because of the nature of the fishing industry, with boats and families out at sea for long periods of time, many of the children in our area have not had adequate opportunities for a full education.

Therefore, the Wah Fu College mission is to provide education for the children of families in the fishing trade. In addition to a traditional education, we want to offer them the chance to learn practical, vocational skills.

The Aberdeen Kai Fong Association began discussing our ideas for a school almost four years ago, in early 1964. When we were allocated this piece of land for the school in 1965, it was just a field, and we had a number of difficulties to face from the beginning. The waterfalls and rivers which make this part of Hong Kong so beautiful caused us plenty of problems, and we needed to do a lot of work to be sure the foundations of the building were strong.

We are happy that we have chosen a most auspicious day to start and that all our problems are behind us. I am sure you will agree that the school building looks splendid and that we have selected a fine staff of teachers, Miss Li, Mr Siu, Mrs Au, Mr Chan and Mr Law.

We have 117 students here today, all males. Of course, we have great hopes of attracting female students to the school in the coming years.

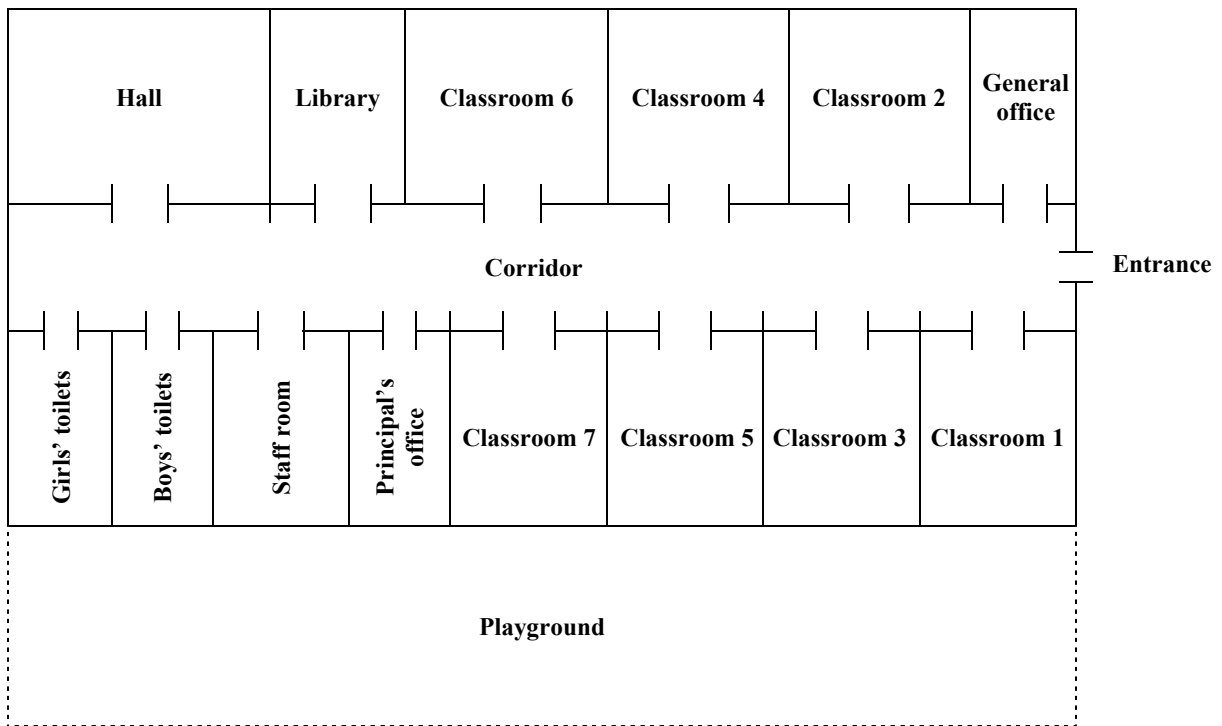
Sammy Lo's notes from a recent interview with Mr Abraham Lee, the first principal of Wah Fu College

Interview with Mr Lee on 8 March, 2002

- *Aberdeen Kaifong Association applied to Gov't for land, Dec. 1964.*
- *planned opening date for school delayed almost three months until 1 December, 1967 due to flooding and flood damage caused by a typhoon*
- *single-storey building in 1967*
- *only Forms 1 and 2 in first year (2 x F1, 1 x F2)*
- *facilities in school very limited in first year*
- *Mr Lee says he grew up near the first site of WFC and therefore had very fond memories of the area.*
- *Mr Lee taught mathematics for 15 years before becoming WFC principal.*
- *Mr Lee enjoys his retirement; likes to do gardening.*

Information about Wah Fu College: Facilities and people

The layout of Wah Fu College, 1967

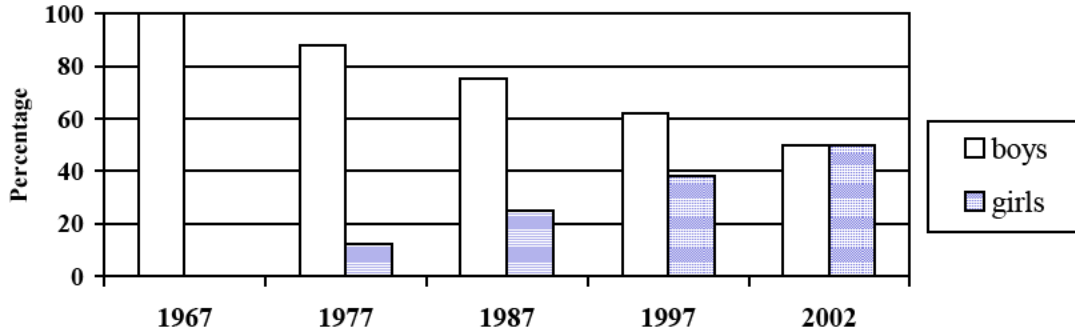


An entry from the Hong Kong Directory of Schools, January 2002

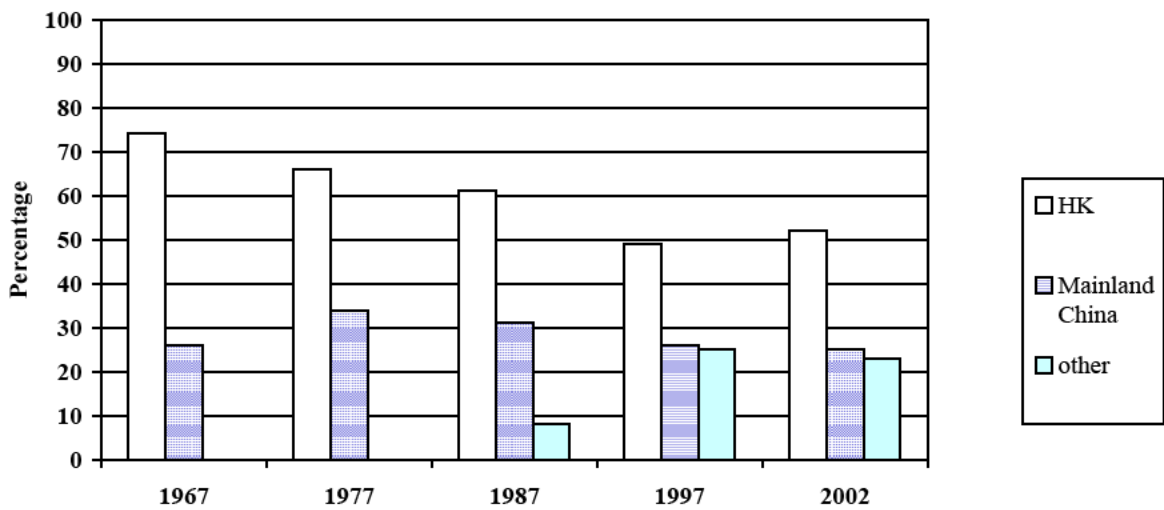
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| <p>Wah Fu college (1188)</p> <p>Address: Waterfall Bay Road, Hong Kong</p> <p>Tel: 2845 2854 Fax: 2914 8502</p> <p>Email: office@wfc.edu.hk Web Site: http://www.wfc.edu.hk</p> | <p>Principal: Mr John Foo</p> <p>Students: 986 in Forms 1 – 7</p> <p>Teachers: 60 (100% with a first degree, 50% with a second degree, three teachers with a doctorate)</p> <p>Classrooms: 32 (one computer per room minimum)</p> <p>School facilities: multimedia centre, swimming pool, hall, gym, laboratories, music room, av room, multi-purpose covered playground</p> |
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Charts showing statistics about Wah Fu College

Proportion of male and female students

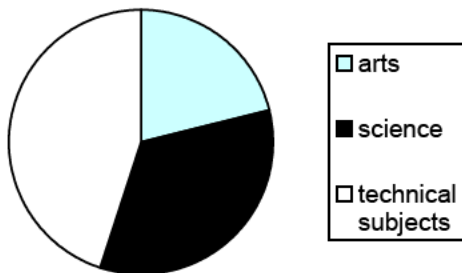


Students' place of birth

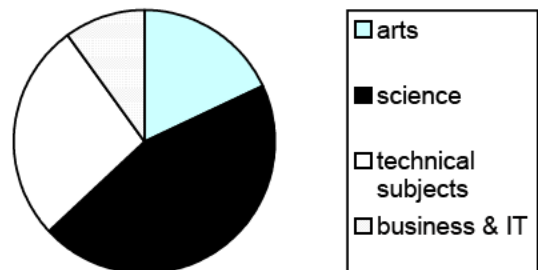


Subject areas offered in the Wah Fu College curriculum

1967



2002



Extracts from the Wah Fu College school newsletter, *Cascade*

Mr Foo's Millennium Speech

The Principal, Mr Foo, made a speech at the Wah Fu College celebrations for the new Millennium.

Mr Foo commented that 'students leaving WFC today are markedly different to those first graduates in the early 70s.' He went on to explain that the school's philosophy had changed greatly, and that instead of training students in more practical, manual skills, our curriculum now reflects 21st century needs. 'Our mission has evolved,' he said. 'It is now to provide quality education for the whole of Hong Kong, and to prepare our students for the challenges of the modern workplace and a knowledge-based society.'

Admission of WFC graduates to university has increased greatly, particularly amongst girls. 'We didn't have any female students until 1971 and even in 1976 only ten percent of our students were girls,' said Mr Foo. 'Who would have believed back then that last year we would have nine out of ten of our female graduates gaining places at universities?' He went on to give another example of success – two WFC students winning a gold medal in the Outstanding Student Competition last year.

The Principal also noted the success of the school's anniversary celebrations, which commenced in 1992 with the 25th anniversary. He said such celebrations resulted in a great boost to school funds, staff morale and students' academic achievements. It was decided then that anniversary celebrations would be held every five years, with the next being the 35th anniversary in 2002. 'The staff and students are proud of the history of their school,' he said. 'Reminding them of its humble beginnings, as a school for the children of the fishing community living in the Wah Fu area, helps them to recognise the great achievements and progress made since then. This in turn encourages them to make their own contribution to history.'

The Principal also mentioned his pride in the school's recycling programme and its efforts to become a 'paperless school'. WFC has great hopes of winning the first Green School of the Year Award this year.

Mr Foo ended by expressing his thanks to the school's NET, Miss Jones, who is leaving the school in July 2000 to return to her home in the UK before emigrating to Australia and starting a new life there.

by Stephen Hui, Form 7

(February 2000)

The new school uniform is now available from the uniform shop. All items now bear the new school badge which features a red sampan and two golden carp, and the new Wah Fu College motto: 'With Full Commitment'.

(June 1981)

Welcome to the latest edition of *Cascade*. You might be interested to know that we are 15 years old. Yes, it is 15 years this month since the first copy of the newsletter was distributed to students and teachers at Wah Fu College.

(September 1995)

We are privileged to have a new Native English-speaking Teacher (NET). Andrew Summers, who kindly agreed to be interviewed by *Cascade*, took up his post at Wah Fu College in September, 2001. We were surprised to learn that he left his home town, London, at the age of five, and went to school in the USA! You can read more of his interesting story on page 3.

(January 2002)

The Wah Fu College Orchestra, founded in 1976, has two exciting events planned. It will perform at the school celebrations in December of this year and will take part in the Guangzhou School Arts Festival next year.

(November 1999)

Miscellaneous documents about Wah Fu College

A letter to parents from the WFC Principal

WAH FU COLLEGE

VICTORIA ROAD
HONG KONG

24 September, 1984

Dear Parents

As you know, there was a fire at Wah Fu College last week. Fortunately, no one was seriously hurt although some staff members were taken to hospital suffering from the effects of smoke inhalation.

I am pleased to say that all students and staff responded promptly to the fire alarm and the building was rapidly evacuated. I am proud of the way the staff worked quickly and efficiently to ensure the safety of the students.

There was some damage to classroom 14, which will now be closed for repairs until next month. Happily, the other seven classrooms in the East Wing were not affected.

According to the Fire Services Department, the fire appears to have been caused by an electrical fault. We have had a number of problems with the electrical system ever since we built the East Wing in 1977. We have now had the whole system thoroughly checked by both electricians and the Fire Services Department and we are satisfied that there is no further risk.

The chances of such occurrences will, of course, be greatly reduced when we move from our original premises on Victoria Road to our new, multi-storey school building on Waterfall Bay Road in September 1985.

Yours sincerely

Abraham Lee

Principal

An invitation from the WFC Principal

You are cordially invited to an Open Day

on

9 October, 1985

from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm

to celebrate our move to

the new school premises on

Waterfall Bay Road

Hong Kong

Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP

Pages from the Wah Fu College web site

Welcome to Wah Fu College, Hong Kong - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Back Forward Stop Refresh Home Search Favorites History Mail Print Messenger Real.com

Address www.wfc.edu.hk

Welcome to the Wah Fu College web site

Dear Students, Parents and Visitors

I have great pleasure in welcoming you to our school web site. This is just the beginning, and we hope to add many features that will be both useful and interesting to all users of the web site.

We would also like to announce the completion of a new Multimedia Centre at Wah Fu College. The Centre was made possible by generous donations from former students. The formal opening of the Centre will be conducted by the Secretary for Education and Manpower, and will take place in early May.

We hope you will regularly visit our site and watch out for updates and improvements. Your suggestions for the design and content are most welcome. While you are here, don't forget to visit our [Awards](#) page which shows some of the many trophies and prizes WFC students have won over the years.

John Foo
Principal
1 September, 1997

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Wah Fu College Awards - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Address www.wfc.edu.hk/awards

Wah Fu College Awards Page

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| School Gymnastics Competition First Prize 1970 | School Gymnastics Competition First Prize 1974 | International School Dragon Boat Races First Prize 1974 | International School Dragon Boat Races First Prize 1982 | HK Inter-school Girls' Volleyball Competition First Prize 1987 | Green School of the Year Award 2000 |

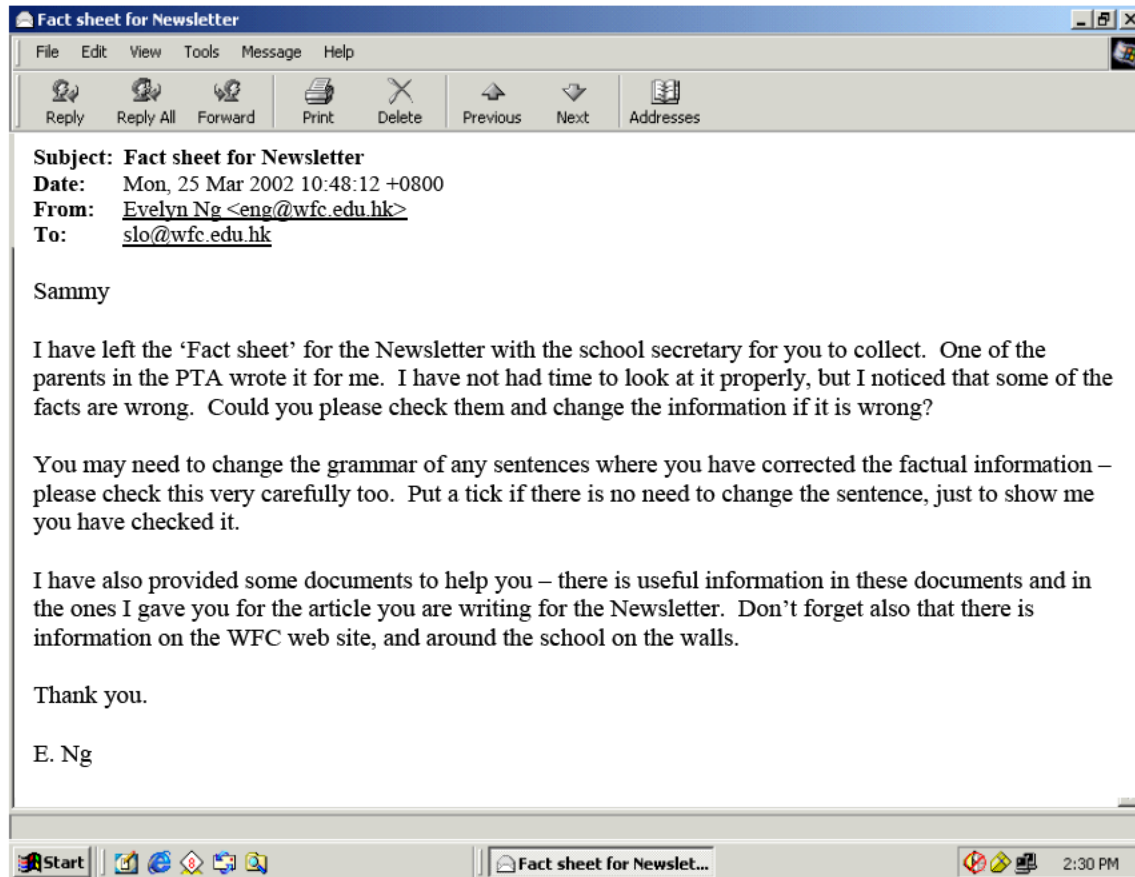
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An email from Ms Ng to Sammy Lo



A selection of press cuttings

An article from the *Hong Kong Post*

Typhoon Ellen is having a lasting effect in Wah Fu this week. Like all their friends in Hong Kong, the students of Wah Fu College got a long weekend at home when the typhoon hit in the early hours of Friday 9 September. However, when they turned up for school the following Monday they found they were without lights.

Although the storm had passed, two days of heavy rain had caused a river which runs near the school to become very full. The playground quickly flooded and the water then entered the ground floor of the building. There was considerable damage to the floors and furniture and the electrical circuits were also affected. The school will remain closed for repairs until Monday, 19 September.

(September 1983)

An article from the *Hong Kong Post*

Mr Abraham Lee, the principal of Wah Fu College, has announced that he will be taking early retirement at the end of the 1995-1996 academic year.

This is much earlier than expected and it means that Mr Lee will not be at the helm for the celebrations organised for the return of Hong Kong to China in 1997.

‘It’s a great disappointment,’ he said. ‘But my doctor has advised me that this is the best thing for my health.’

Mr Lee suffered a slight stroke earlier this year but returned to work soon after. His replacement has not yet been announced but is expected to take up the post in August.

(May 1996)

An advertisement from *Hong Kong Schools Magazine*

How green is your school?

If your school has a recycling programme, or does special work to help the environment such as helping to clean local beaches, and has a strong green education curriculum, you could win the Green School of the Year Award.

Applications are now invited from schools for a new competition to find the greenest school in Hong Kong. We are looking for the school that is kindest to the environment.

The deadline for applications is 31 March, 2000, and the winner will be announced on 1 June, 2000.

(September 1999)

An article from the *China Standard*

Clinton Visits Hong Kong

Former US President Bill Clinton arrived in Hong Kong yesterday for his second visit since he left office in January 2001.

Mr Clinton was met at Chek Lap Kok Airport by a welcoming party of Hong Kong Government officials and was taken to his hotel in Central under tight security.

Mr Clinton will be in Hong Kong for four days. He will address a meeting of the Asia Society on Thursday on the role of China in the 21st Century. Because of his special interest in education, Mr Clinton has asked to visit a local school. He will tour Wah Fu College on Friday and will give a talk to the students there on international business. He will also present special awards to Wah Fu College students who have participated in a student exchange programme, Open Hands, with secondary schools in Mainland China. The programme was established in 2000 by Kowloon College, and Wah Fu College joined the scheme in 2001.

Mr Clinton leaves for Tokyo on a private visit on Saturday.

(January 2002)

Items displayed on the walls of Wah Fu College

On the wall of the Art Room

ORDER YOUR CLINTON PHOTOS NOW

The Photography Club is now offering copies of the official photographs taken during Mr Bill Clinton's visit to the College in January.

If you would like any copies, please see Mr Wang as soon as possible.

On the wall of the Music Room

*Guangzhou School Arts Festival 2000
would like to thank
the staff and students
of*

*Wah Fu College,
Hong Kong*

*for their participation in
the Festival*

On the wall of the School Hall

The above painting, showing Wah Fu College in its early days, was a gift from the Aberdeen Kaifong Association in 1977, to commemorate the opening of the East Wing.

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**USE OF ENGLISH AS-LEVEL SECTION E
PRACTICAL SKILLS FOR WORK AND STUDY
Question-Answer Book**

8.30 am – 10.15 am (1¾ hours)
(28% of the subject mark)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write your Candidate Number, Centre Number and Seat Number in the spaces provided.
2. Answer **ALL** questions.
3. Write your answers in the spaces provided in this Question-Answer Book.
4. Supplementary answer sheets will be supplied on request. Write your Candidate Number on each sheet and fasten them with string inside this book.
5. The rough-work sheets provided are for you to take notes. They will be collected separately and will not be marked.

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INSTRUCTIONS

When you complete the following tasks, remember that all your comments must be based on information in the Data File. Your comments must be understood by readers who do not have copies of the Data File to refer to.

Situation and Role

You are Sammy Lo, a Form 6 student at Wah Fu College. You are a member of the English Club. Your school is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year, and the Anniversary Committee, which is planning the celebrations for this event, has asked the Club to help in preparing the Anniversary Newsletter.

Task 1: Article on Wah Fu College (47 marks)

The Chairperson of the Anniversary Committee, Ms Evelyn Ng, has asked you to write an article about Wah Fu College for the Anniversary Newsletter. She has told you what to include in the article in her memo on page 1 of the Data File.

Use information from pages 1 to 6 in the Data File to help you.

Task 2: Timeline showing the history of Wah Fu College (28 marks)

The Newsletter will feature a timeline showing key events in the history of Wah Fu College. Ms Ng has asked you to complete the timeline.

Use information from pages 2, 5, 6, 7, 9 and 10 in the Data File to help you.

Task 3: Correction of a fact sheet (17 marks)

The Newsletter will include a fact sheet about Wah Fu College. This fact sheet has already been prepared, but Ms Ng has asked you to check that it is correct. In her email on page 8 of the Data File she has told you how to carry out the task.

Use information from pages 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in the Data File to help you.

Task 2: Timeline (28 marks)

Complete each item in the timeline below, making sure that each forms **a complete grammatical sentence in the past tense**. For some items you also need to fill in the year in the left-hand column. Use information from pages 2, 5, 6, 7, 9 and 10 in the Data File. One of the items has been filled in for you as an example.

| First Marker's Use Only | A brief history of Wah Fu College | | Second Marker's Use Only |
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| | 1967 | Wah Fu College was opened on <u>1 December</u> . | |
| C39 G40 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | 1971 | Wah Fu College. | C39 G40 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C41 G42 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | 1974 | Wah Fu College for the first time. | C41 G42 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C43 G44 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | 1976 | was established. | C43 G44 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Y45 C46 G47 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | | A new, providing eight new classrooms. | Y45 C46 G47 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C48 G49 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | 1980 | The school newsletter | C48 G49 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Y50 C51 G52 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | | for more than a week due to typhoon damage. | Y50 C51 G52 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C53 G54 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | 1984 | the East Wing. | C53 G54 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C55 G56 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | 1985 | Wah Fu College | C55 G56 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C57 G58 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | 1992 | The school held | C57 G58 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Y59 C60 G61 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | | and was replaced by Mr Foo as Principal. | Y59 C60 G61 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C62 G63 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | 2000 | Wah Fu College won | C62 G63 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Y64 C65 G66 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | | a talk about international business at Wah Fu College. | Y64 C65 G66 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

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Task 3: Fact sheet (17 marks)

Correct any sentences below which contain factual errors. Ms Ng has told you in her memo on page 8 of the Data File how to carry out the task. Some sentences have one or more factual errors which you should correct. If you do need to correct such factual errors, you may also need to make grammatical changes (such as verb tenses, pronouns, adverbs, etc.). Some sentences are factually correct. For those sentences, put a tick next to the sentence and do not make any changes. Use information from pages 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in the Data File. Sentences 1 and 3 have been done for you as examples.

| Second Marker's Use Only | Fact sheet: Things you didn't know about Wah Fu College | | First Marker's Use Only |
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| C67 <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Academic achievements</i> | 1. In 1999, ^{two} one ^{students were} student was awarded a gold medal in the Outstanding Student Competition. | C67 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| G68 <input type="checkbox"/> | | 2. In 1999, 80% of our male graduates gained university admission. | G68 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C69 <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Sports awards</i> | 3. WFC has won first prize in the International School Dragon Boat Races twice. | C69 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| G70 <input type="checkbox"/> | | 4. In 1987, WFC won first prize in the Hong Kong Inter-school Boys' Volleyball Competition. | G70 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C71 <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Qualifications of teachers</i> | 5. All WFC teachers have a first degree, 50% have a second degree, and one has a doctorate. | C71 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| G72 <input type="checkbox"/> | | 6. The WFC Orchestra will play in the Guangzhou School Arts Festival in 2002. | G72 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C73 <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Cultural exchanges</i> | 7. WFC joined Open Hands, a student exchange programme, in 2001. | C73 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| G74 <input type="checkbox"/> | | 8. WFC's NET, Miss Summers, is British but she was educated in Australia. | G74 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C75 <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Current NET</i> | 9. Most WFC classrooms have at least two computers. | C75 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| G76 <input type="checkbox"/> | | 10. In the past 35 years, the number of girls studying at WFC has decreased. | G76 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C77 <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Computer facilities in classrooms</i> | 11. WFC donated a painting of the school to the Aberdeen Kaifong Association in 1977. | C77 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| G78 <input type="checkbox"/> | | | G78 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C79 <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Number of female students</i> | | C79 <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| C80 <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Donations</i> | | C80 <input type="checkbox"/> |
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