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Dear Wahyanites and Friends,

### The Dream Campaign and Beyond

First and foremost, may we wish you good health and a supple mind amidst the prevalent pandemic. Since launching the Fr. Deignan's Dream Campaign in 2008, we have raised \$154 million thanks to your generosity. Around \$150 million has been appropriated to support mainly small class teaching, teacher formation and whole-person development in the two Wah Yans. While various institutions have confirmed students' performance since 2014, a *Report* was commissioned in late 2020 to provide an overall evaluation. Please allow us to share the key findings and recommendations from the *Report* with you:

**Stellar Performance:** The two Wah Yans have been improving and performing *exceptionally* as they were able to achieve simultaneously ALL THREE aspects essential to Jesuit vision and students' futures, namely

- Academic excellence as evidenced, e.g. by a high university admission rate and scholars in the HKDSE.
- Whole-person development, e.g. sports, music, debate, drama, service, STEM, with distinguished titles.
- Character formation where young Wahyanites were commended as reflective, respectful and responsible.

Our Schools have accomplished these milestones amid a highly challenging educational environment of regulatory constraints and well-funded competition from direct subsidy scheme (DSS) schools. A mission accomplished and given a tight means, Fr. Deignan's Dream Campaign which focuses on small class teaching is drawing to a close in 2021, as our Schools want to make lives of young Wahyanites even more fulfilling.

**Looking Ahead:** The two Wah Yans are determined to continue with quality Jesuit education. Despite the intensifying competition, the enduring vision of Jesuit education has profoundly benefitted us. However, this continual quest must be matched by a funding model that supports usage agility in an extended time horizon. Therefore, we call for setting up an endowment fund that will enable the two Wah Yans to cater for the more immediate needs for a) small enhancement classes for needy students, b) innovative STEM/STEAM programmes and c) inculcation of a global vision with more NET teachers, *as well as the ever-changing needs* of society over time.

A tall order, but we will spare no effort to launch an endowment fundraising campaign soon. Initiatives like a Wah Yan 100+ Music Festival at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre (January 2022) and a Guinness World Record Creation Campaign (October 2022) are already in the pipeline. Please render your unfailing support when they are rolled out, once and for all.

**As a start**, we strongly encourage you to grab the latest development of Wah Yan by calling Monty Fong on 9092 9433, who will be most pleased to share the *Evaluation Report on the Dream Campaign and the Endowment Campaign* in person, either with you individually or with your classmates and friends.

With heartfelt gratitude again for your support of the vision of Wah Yan, which we have personally experienced to be both **unique** and **life-changing!**

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