

Lee Shau Kee Student Residence Village

HALL 12 & 13

**YEAR
BOOK**

2024-25





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In this residential year, we organised a series of sport and cultural activities to broaden the horizon of residents. We are very proud to have attained outstanding results in the Interhall Basketball Competition (champion); Ma On Shan Football Super League (runner up); Aquatic Meet (2nd runner up – women’s team); Tug of War (2nd runner up – women’s team); etc.. More importantly, hall mates enjoyed the events and managed to make new friends amidst their busy research and academic schedule. I would like to thank the excellent hard work of the Residence Tutor team for organising the activities, as well as the active participation of hall mates. It is residents of Halls 12 and 13 who made our halls colourful.



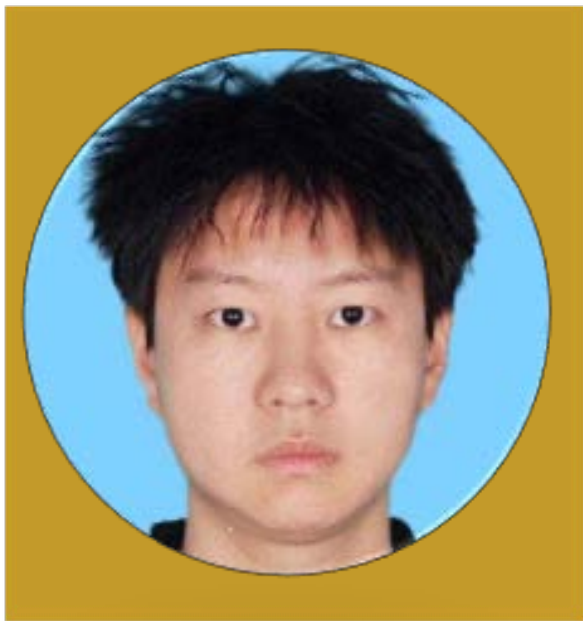
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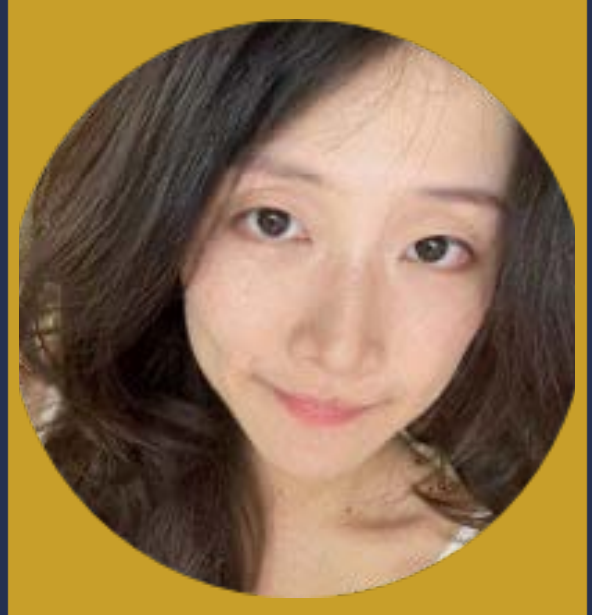
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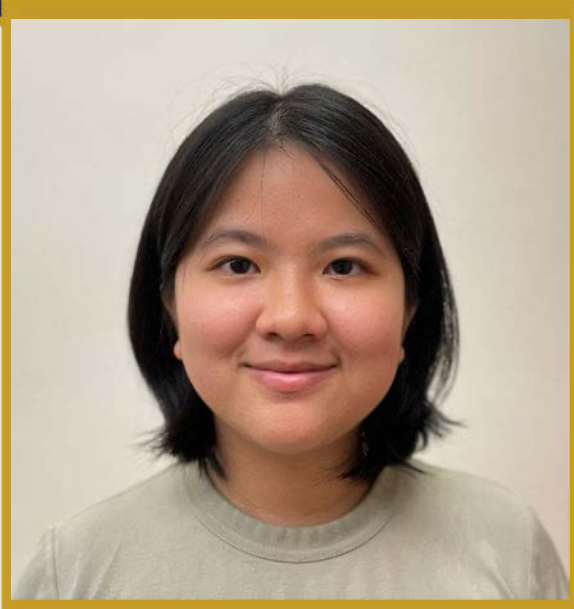
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Horizon 2024 chronicles

Our Hall Master



Strength unleashed



Thunderous cheers, unbreakable Bonds!



Board Games & Endless Conversations



Festival of Blossoms: Welcoming a New Season



A cycling quest



Beyond walls: An outdoor Escape



The PhD Premier League



Sip, Snack & Sparkle: A Girls-only Affair



Sun, Sweat & Smashes: The Tennis Showdown



BBQ under the Stars: Feast & Fun



Exploring Local Cuisine



ADVENTURE





We are Hall 12 & 13

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OUR STORY

Hall 12 & 13 is more than a residence—it's a vibrant PhD community where research meets relaxation, and ideas come to life. We foster friendship, cultural exchange, and academic excellence, creating a supportive space for learning and growth. From deep discussions over coffee to sports, celebrations, and shared experiences, every moment here counts.



THE HOME OF PHDS

WHERE KNOWLEDGE MEETS COMMUNITY

OUR LIFE

KEY EVENTS HIGHLIGHTS

1. **Spring Festival** – A grand celebration of culture, food, and joy
2. **Sports Competition** – Where champions rise and teamwork thrives
3. **Floor Gatherings** – Strengthening bonds over fun, food, and laughter
4. **Outdoor Activities** – Exploring, adventuring, and making unforgettable memories

HALL PERKS & PLAY

Hungry? Cook up your favorite snack in our fully-equipped kitchen.

Feeling like a rockstar? Take the stage with our **karaoke setup!**

Game night? From **PS5 battles** to **board games**, the fun never stops.

JUST WANT TO CHILL? HALL 12 & 13 IS WHERE COMFORT MEETS FUN.



Hall Logo & Shirt Design Competition

HALL LOGO

Our hall's first-ever Logo and Shirt Design Competition made history as the winning emblem became our official hall logo permanently. The competition showcased outstanding creativity, with PANG Tianxing and WU Shuang emerging as joint winners for their exceptional logo designs.



STUDENT RESIDENCE
CITY UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Design by PANG Tianxing



Design by WU Shuang



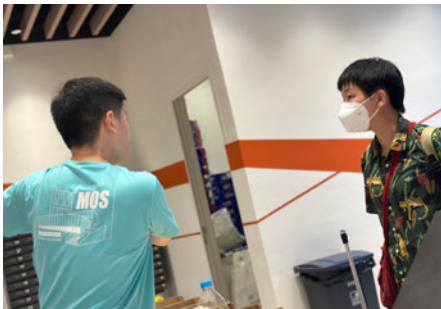
HALL SHIRT

WU Shuang also claimed victory in the shirt design competition with her beachy, joyful logo that perfectly captures our hall's vibrant spirit and the sunny essence of Ma On Shan Student Residence.

WELCOMING

To kick off the new academic year, our Hall hosted a warm Welcome Night for incoming residents. With the kind support of our Room Tutor, Miss Grace, and Professor Thomas, newcomers received daily essentials and small welcome gifts to help them settle in.

The evening was filled with friendly introductions and light-hearted conversations, creating a relaxed and inclusive atmosphere. It was a meaningful start to the year, helping everyone feel at home and part of a supportive Hall community.





SPORT

STRUGGLE IN SWEAT

The activities of the second half of the school year are full of sweat and competition, and various sports competitions make our bodies and will stronger.

FOOTBALL

Every Weekend

Throughout the year, our team organized weekly football activities, bringing together residents from our hall and beyond for fun, friendly matches. These sessions were not just about football; they built connections, shared laughs, and created memories.

Whether full-time or exchange students, the pitch became a place where new friendships blossomed across cultures. Every game was a highlight, filled with teamwork, enthusiasm, and the joy of uniting as one community through sport.



MOS SUPER LEAGUE

Runner-up

The Ma On Shan Super League, hosted by our hall, was an exciting football tournament. We secured victories against Hall 15, 16, and 17, finishing in a strong 2nd place, narrowly missing the top spot only on goal difference.

The tournament also brought individual glory, with Mulki Shader winning the Ballon d'Or and Shoaib Muhammad earning Best Goalkeeper honors. A fantastic achievement showcasing our hall's talent and teamwork!



BASKETBALL TRAINING

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BASKETBALL Weekly

Starting in Week 3 of the Fall 2024 Semester, our residence hall launched a weekly basketball program that swiftly gained popularity and became a cherished tradition. Over two hundred residents enthusiastically joined, finding it an enjoyable way to stay fit, relieve stress, and bond with fellow hall members.

More than just friendly games, these sessions were instrumental in building new friendships and deepening our communal spirit—transforming the court into both a place to unleash competitive energy and a hub for creating shared memories.



Through dedicated weekly full-court drills and competitive scrimmages against neighboring halls, we've significantly elevated our skills and teamwork. Every drop of sweat on the court fuels our preparation for the upcoming Inter-Hall Basketball Championship—where we'll showcase our growth and fight for hall pride.

ICFD *Basketball*





FINALLY!! CHAMPION!

Tournament after tournament, we wrote our legend in sweat and hustle. Early dominant wins built our confidence. Nail-biting mid-bracket comebacks forged our resilience. When the championship lights shone brightest, we became unstoppable forces - diving for loose balls with leaden legs, launching fast breaks on burning lungs. That final buzzer didn't just signal victory; it echoed the indomitable spirit of Halls 12 & 13. To those who gave their all: your sacrifice now lives in our hall's proudest moments.



AQUATIC *Meet*

This year, our Hall proudly sent both men's and women's teams to compete in the Aquatic Meet. With determination and team spirit, all our athletes gave their best in every event, showcasing not only their athletic ability but also the strong camaraderie within our Hall community. We are especially thrilled to celebrate the outstanding performance of our women's team, who earned the 2nd runner-up title — a testament to their dedication and perseverance.

Beyond the competition, the event brought residents together in support and cheer, strengthening the bonds among us. From training sessions to race-day encouragement, this experience truly embodied the spirit of unity, mutual encouragement, and Hall pride.



INTER-HALL FUN DAY



Tug of War!

In October during Semester A, our Hall took part in the Inter-Hall Tug of War competition with great enthusiasm. Both our men's and women's teams gave their all, and we were proud to see our women's team bring home the bronze medal.

The event was filled with energy, cheers, and Hall spirit — a true display of teamwork, strength, and determination that brought residents together beyond the rope.



INTER-HALL FUN DAY

Table tennis!

In November 2024, our Hall participated in the Inter-Hall Table Tennis Tournament, competing in men's and women's singles, doubles, and mixed doubles.

Our players gave strong performances filled with energy and focus, while fellow residents cheered them on. It was a great display of skill, teamwork, and Hall spirit — both on and off the court.





BADMINTON

Weekly

Beginning in Week 3 of Semester A 2024, our Hall hosted 20+ weekly badminton sessions that quickly became a favorite tradition. With over 200 residents participating, the activity offered a fun way to stay active, unwind, and connect with fellow hallmates.

Beyond friendly matches, the sessions fostered new friendships and strengthened our sense of community — making the court a place for both sport and shared moments.



INTER-HALL FUN DAY

Badminton



In February of Sem B 2025, our Hall joined the Inter-Hall Fun Day badminton tournament with a team of well-prepared and passionate players selected from our weekly sessions.

The team demonstrated great spirit, teamwork, and determination. It was a valuable and memorable experience that brought our Hall community even closer together.



TENNIS

Weekly

Every Sunday evening, as the bustling week at City University of Hong Kong drew to a close and the city lights began to twinkle, a dedicated group from Halls 12 and 13 traded textbooks and lab reports for tennis racquets and fuzzy yellow balls. Our cherished weekly Tennis Activity became more than just a game; it was a vital pulse of community, exercise, and shared fun for our postgraduate residents. Rain or shine (though Hong Kong's humidity was a frequent opponent!), a core group of around ten enthusiastic players would gather. Our courts of choice were the welcoming hard surfaces nestled within the green expanse of Ma On Shan Park or overlooking the waters at the Wu Kai Sha Tennis Courts in the New Territories. The journey itself, often shared, became part of the ritual, building anticipation for the two hours of energetic play ahead.



The Sunday Swing

The heartbeat of this initiative was our fantastic Residence Tutor duo, George and Chris. Their dedication was truly the driving force. Week after week, they reliably organized the sessions, ensuring courts were booked, logistics were smooth, and everyone felt welcome. George and Chris didn't just manage; they actively participated and fostered the spirit. Crucially, they understood the practicalities – they always provided the tennis balls, removing a significant barrier to participation.





BONDING

SIMPLE MOMENTS OF RELAXATION

The first half of the school year is always full of relaxation and creativity, and in addition to celebrating holidays such as New Year and Halloween, we also send warm care during exam week

SOCIAL & FUN

Activities



At our New Residents Welcoming Event, we crafted immersive experiences to break the ice and forge lasting connections. Multiple activity zones buzzed with energy: a lively Karaoke stage unleashed hidden talents, Switch & PS5 gaming stations sparked friendly rivalries with Mario Kart battles, and our DIY snack bar saw residents bonding over handmade sushi rolls. The aroma of fresh-from-the-oven pizza at the all-you-can-eat buffet drew constant crowds as laughter echoed through the venue. The night crescendoed with an electrifying raffle draw - gasps of anticipation turning to cheers as winners claimed prizes. Every attendee departed with new friendships and the vibrant spirit of Halls 12 & 13 community glowing in their hearts.

HALLOWEEN

Festival

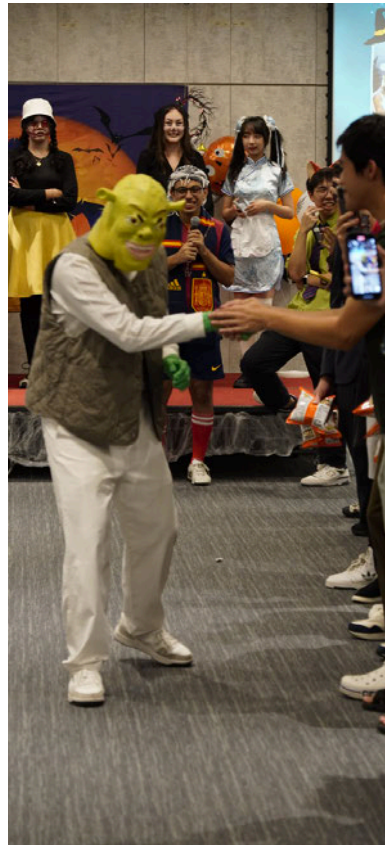
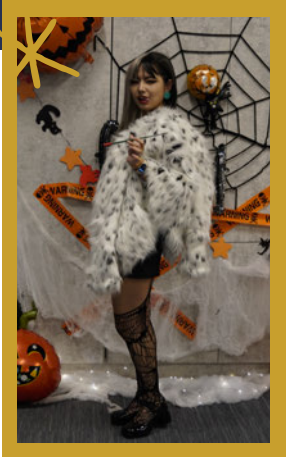
Our hall joined forces with all Ma On Shan Hall Management Teams to host a spectacular Halloween celebration! Led by Hall 16's RT Shawn Lim Rong En, the organizing team transformed the venue with spooky decorations and packed the evening with thrilling activities - from a creative Halloween costume competition and challenging trivia quizzes to fun games. Residents enjoyed pizza and snacks while making unforgettable Halloween memories together, strengthening our inter-hall community spirit.



AMAZING COSTUMES

Our hall residents turned out in incredible numbers, bringing the event to life with their hilarious and creative costumes! From Shrek and the Grim Reaper to Mario and even the McDonald's man (whatever that means). The venue was a riot of colors and laughter. The night was packed with screams, fun, and maybe a few pizza-induced food comas—proving once again that teamwork makes the Halloween dream work!





BOARD *Games*

Whether it's friends, family, or new acquaintances, engaging in games together can quickly bring you closer, create shared experiences and topics, and deepen your understanding of each other.



IMPROVE COMMUNICATION SKILLS

:Players need to express ideas clearly, understand others' intentions, negotiate and persuade, which are important social skills.



CREATE A FUN ATMOSPHERE

Board games naturally have elements of entertainment and competition, making it easy to create laughter and a pleasant atmosphere.

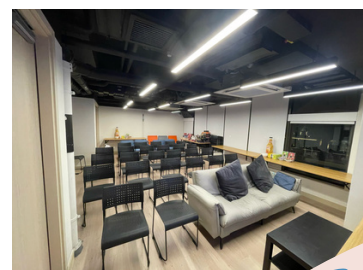
MOVIE *Night:* MICKEY 17



Residents of Halls 12 and 13 embarked on a thrilling cinematic journey with Mickey 17, a sci-fi adventure following an expendable employee tasked with colonizing an icy, distant planet. The film's gripping 2-hour-17-minute runtime kept everyone on the edge of their seats, blending suspense, humour, and unexpected twists into an unforgettable experience.



Amidst shared laughter and gasps, the event became more than just a movie screening, it was a night of bonding. Light snacks added to the cozy atmosphere as hallmates cheered for the unlikely hero together, turning a simple evening into a cherished memory of unity and excitement.



EXAM *Energizer*

As exam season approached, the Hall 12 & 13 Management Team and floor representatives rallied together to uplift residents' spirits. Light snacks, energy drinks, and coffee were shared during the event, offering a much-needed boost for everyone tackling mid-terms and finals.



Held across two evenings (December 10th and March 14th), the Exam Energizer buzzed with warmth and encouragement. RTs and residents bonded over shared laughs and motivational words, fostering a strong sense of unity and belonging. Together, the hall stood as a reminder that no one faces exams alone.



RESIDENT-LED ACTIVITIES (RLA):

Book & Study Materials Swap Station

by Resident SHEN Tianqi of Hall 12 & 13



This eco-friendly initiative reduces paper waste and fosters knowledge-sharing by resident SHEN Tianqi from Hall 12 & 13, to pass down reusable study materials (e.g., lecture notes, past exam papers, and textbooks) to future cohorts. By giving these items a second life, the Swap Station not only cuts down on unnecessary printing but also cultivates a culture of sustainability and collaborative learning. Also, with donated books added to the mix, it's a small step toward building a shared reading community within our halls.

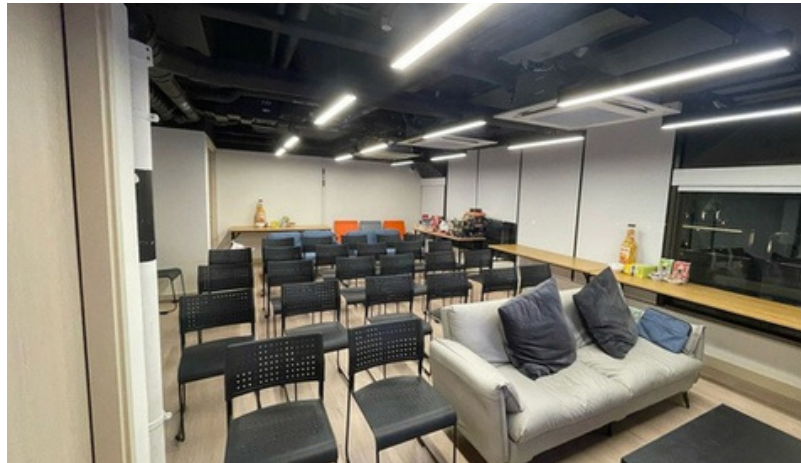
JOIN THE BOOK & STUDY MATERIAL SWAP STATION!

Residents of Halls 12 & 13 are invited to drop by the 1/F of Hall 12 to borrow free study materials or contribute your own! Simply write down your details in the **borrowing log**, and you're all set. Come and be part of this sustainable, hall-wide exchange!

No.	Borrower's Name	Student ID (Center/Optional)	Item Title	Title of Book / Study Material	Course Code (if applicable)	Notes (e.g., Borrowing Address, Reference No.)	Staff in-Charge Signature
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MULTI-FUNCTIONAL *Room*

The multipurpose room on the ground floor has many facilities for residents to use, including a wide variety of board games, PS5, switch, karaoke, etc., and in addition to ordinary chairs, there are more comfortable sofas to choose from



FLOOR *Common room*

In addition to basic electrical appliances such as microwave ovens, induction cookers, refrigerators, water dispensers and TVs, we also specially prepare rags, sponges, dish soap and other consumables for residents every month to set up a stage for residents to show their cooking skills



RESIDENCE

Stories



Every Sunday evening, you'll find me at Wu Kai Sha Sports Ground hitting tennis balls until sunset. One humid afternoon, I realized I'd left my racket in Hall 12's lobby. Panicking, I ran back—only to bump into Wen Lan at the elevator. "Need this?" she smiled, holding out her old racket. We ended up practicing together: my serves, her backhands. Afterward, we'd grab iced lemon tea near the MTR station, talking about everything—from lab frustrations to Ma On Shan's best claypot rice. Now it's our ritual. Rain or shine, Tuesdays mean tennis, sweat, and cold tea with a friend.

by LIN Lin

My tiny balcony overlooking Tolo Harbour is where I start every day. Just me, my thermos of jasmine tea, and my books. One breezy October, Fu Zhengnan peeked out from next door. "Mind if I join? My room's too loud." He set up his foldable desk quietly. We rarely spoke—he sketched engineering parts; I annotated papers. But the salt air and shared silence felt comforting. When autumn rains came, we moved inside but kept the door open. Our rule? After 6 PM, no thesis talk—just watching fishing boats drift into the orange haze. It's not exciting, but it's peace.

by WEN Lan



RESIDENCE

Stories



I never miss the 8:45 AM MTR to campus. At Wu Kai Sha Station, I always buy two pineapple buns—one for me, one for Li Sunbiao (who always oversleeps). We stand by the doors munching, comparing notes: my stock charts, his tide data. Once when he forgot his wallet for a week straight, I taped a payment QR code to his student ID as a joke. Those 12 minutes are my anchor—even during exams, buttery pastry crumbs and casual gossip make the city feel smaller. Sometimes if the train's empty, we sneak in a phone chess game. Simple? Yes. Necessary? Absolutely.

by XU Chen

Sundays are for my toolkit. It started when Lin Lin's desk lamp died—I rewired it in 10 minutes. Then Xu Chen's chair squeaked; a drop of oil fixed that. Soon, broken kettles or wobbly shelves appeared outside my door with sticky notes: "Pls help? :)". Li Sunbiao once brought me a wind-wrecked umbrella from Ma Liu Shui pier. We'd sit in the common room—me tinkering, him talking about sea urchins—while sipping milk tea. No big speeches, just quiet fixing. Payment? A nod, a shared laugh, or seeing that lamp glow again in Lin Lin's window at night.

by FU Zhengnan





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