

Principal's Opening Address at the Prefect & Student Union Inauguration Ceremony 2015-16 (Date: 14 October, 2015)

In a short period of less than one and a half month after the school re-opening on 1 September, our school community is overwhelmed with joy on the early fruitful returns and impressive results of our Swimming Team, Badminton Team, St John's Brigade, Chinese Martial Arts Team, Volleyball Team, Latin Dance Team and a number of students achieved promising results in Video Production Competition, Community Services and even Overseas Chemistry Test, etc. We have reaped commendations, medals, prizes, cups and trophies in different events and areas. My sincere gratitude has to be conveyed to our teacher advisers and the coaches for their professional guidance and training provided to the students. My heartfelt thanks also go to all parents for their support and encouragement given to their children, to sustain their will and perseverance in perpetual and tough training. In addition to academic, aesthetic and sports training as well as other learning experiences and multiple intelligences have become part of the assessment in the current education reform, contributing to character development, holistic and wholesome education. Let's join hand in hand and work in sync to this direction for the healthy growth of our students who are going to be the future leaders of Hong Kong.

In this assembly, I must congratulate our student leaders, they are either the members of our newly elected Student Union or school prefects in many faculties. To me, all of them are successful student leaders of S C Gaw. They should possess very good personal qualities and are role models for their fellow schoolmates. The good qualities to be found among them include strong emotional competence, daring to dream and pursuing their dreams as well as setting a clear target in life and most importantly, persevering and not easily giving up in the face of difficulties. Good leaders see the importance of self-reliance and the ability to stand on their own feet to complete tasks. They have to solve the problems encountered and rely on themselves and work on their own. Leaders have to set their own targets, work out the plan and stick to it wholeheartedly and perseveringly. Besides, as we all know, there is no rose without thorns. When we fail or when difficulties arise, reflect and search for better methods and try again. We should not take drawbacks as failure but treat them as crises which can be converted to opportunities if they are properly dealt with.

Another impressive characteristic demonstrated by a good leader is high level of self-confidence and social competency. They are easy going, approachable and sociable. Such qualities command respect and generate good team cohesiveness and team work which are also salient elements for successful leadership. I hope S C Gawers learn how to be a good leader and translate your experience and insights into everyday actions in your studies and personal development.

善良無須考核--擦鞋小童和電影導演的奇緣

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[Central Station \(Movie Trailer\) - YouTube](#)

www.youtube.com/watch?v=ako8metwIAY

最近在微信朋友圈看到強力推薦一篇感人短文「善良無須考核」，有關 1998 年巴西電影「中央車站」選角的故事，此片當年獲柏林電影節金熊獎，好萊塢 (Hollywood) 外國記者協會的金球獎最佳外語片。導演沃爾特 (Martine de Clemont-Tonnerre) 在選角時挑選了很多藝校學生，但都不夠滿意。

一天，為此一籌莫展的沃爾特在西郊火車站的站前廣場上遇到了一個十多歲的擦鞋小男孩。小男孩問道：「先生，您需要擦鞋嗎？」沃爾特低頭看看自己腳上剛剛擦過不久的皮鞋，搖搖頭拒絕了。那個小男孩紅著臉追上來：「先生，我整整一天沒吃東西了，您能借給我幾個錢嗎？我從明天開始多多努力擦鞋，保證一周後把錢還給您！」沃爾特看著面前這個衣衫襤褸、肚子乾癟的小男孩，不由的動了憐憫之心，就掏出幾枚硬幣遞到小男孩手裡。

半個月後，他又一次經過西郊火車站時，突然看到一個瘦小的身影離的老遠就向他招手喊道：「先生，請等一等！我在這裡等您很久了，今天總算把錢還給您了！」沃爾特忽然發現這小孩很符合自己腦海中構想的小男孩角色，他把幾枚硬幣還給小男孩：「這點零錢是我誠心誠意給你的，就不用還了，明天你到市中心的影業公司導演辦公室來找我，我會給你一個很大的驚喜。」

第二天一大早，門衛就告訴沃爾特，說外面來了一大群孩子。他詫異的出去一看，就見那個小男孩興奮的跑過來，一臉天真的說：「先生，這些孩子都是同我一樣沒有父母的流浪孩子，他們也渴望有驚喜！」。

導演沒想到一個窮困流浪的孩子竟會有一顆如此善良的心！通過反復觀察和篩選，確實有幾個比小男孩更機靈，更適合出演劇本中的小主人翁，但他最後還是只把小男孩留了下來，在錄用合同的免試原因一欄中只寫了幾個字：善良無須考核！因為他覺的小孩很善良，在自己面臨困境的時候，卻把本屬於自己一個人的希望，無私的分享給別人，而電影中的孩子，正是這樣一個善良、博大、無私的人。

這個小男孩叫文尼斯基 (Vinicius de Oliveira)，若干年後成為一家影視文化公司董事長的文尼斯基寫了一部自傳《我的演藝生涯》。在書的扉頁上面，是沃爾特的親筆題字：善良無須考核。下面則是他給予文尼斯基的評價：「是善良，曾經讓他把機遇讓給別的孩子；同樣也是善良，讓人生的機遇沒有錯過他！」