

Caritas Ma On Shan Secondary School
English Enhancement Scheme 2008 - 2014
2008 - 2009 (Year 1)

	Objectives	Implementation	Evaluation & Suggestions
Phonics Workshops for S.1	To arouse students' interest in learning English and to increase students' exposure to the listening of English. Chunky Onion Productions Limited was invited to stage a drama performance, Aladdin and the Magic Lamp, during the English Week (5 March 2009). To align with the phonics programme, instructors teaching the phonics programme selected some songs from the drama and practiced with students the long and short vowels identified in the songs.	Synergy Education was recruited to run the S1 Phonics Workshop. The course lasted for 10 weeks from March to June 2009. A total of 3 classes was conducted with around 20 students per class.	Students had ample opportunities to practice consonants and vowels in the classroom. As a result, students show more confidence in reading aloud. The drama performance was warmly received by the students who thoroughly enjoyed themselves during the show.
Purchase of learning and teaching resources for the English Corner	To enrich the resources in the English Corner to promote the learning of English.	Reading materials of different genres were purchased to nurture students' reading habit. These resources are now placed in the English Corner for students' use.	There was an increase in the number of students visiting the English Corner.
Professional development programme for teachers on teaching pedagogy for addressing learner diversity	To understand the rationale for identifying and teaching according to learner differences; to acquire strategies to adjust teaching and learning practices to accommodate differences with specific focus for students with ADHD and language processing difficulties - including hearing impairments and dyslexia.	A lecturer from the Institute of Education was invited to run a 10 hour workshop divided into 3 sessions in June 2009.	English teachers who attended the workshops commented that they had benefited a lot from the workshop as the knowledge they acquired at the workshop had helped to increase their confidence in preparing teaching materials for students of varied learning ability in the school.