



Let's see what our friends have to say this week

School of the week

Pui Kiu College (Primary Section)

When you hear of a festival called "International Day for Failure", it might seem confusing – why would we celebrate failure?

International Day for Failure happens on October 13 each year. This is a time when people celebrate their failures as steps towards success.

There are three main pillars in this festival: feeling motivated to do better after we fail, having a growth mindset so we aren't embarrassed when things don't go as planned, and reflecting on our failures to learn from them. Even if you only make a small improvement, that's still a step in the right direction.

At Pui Kiu College, we have celebrated this special day for a couple of years.

Our students are able to grow by learning from their mistakes. Everyone here is excited to take on challenges, embrace failure and try again.

For International Day of Failure this year, we set up four activities. Some students used chopsticks to pick up beans from a tray; some tried reciting Chinese and English tongue twisters; some tackled challenging mathematics problems; and some learned to juggle with two, three and even four scarves.



If any of these activities sound challenging to you, you'd be right! Regardless of how difficult these games seemed at the start, our students picked themselves up after each failed attempt and moved forward until they achieved their goals.

JK Rowling, the author of the Harry Potter series, once said: "It is the ability to resist failure or use failure that often leads to greater success."

As Ms Frizzle from the Magic School Bus series always says, "Don't be afraid! Take chances, make mistakes, and get messy!"

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