

1st March, 2006.

Dear HKGA member,

**HKGA Talk and Forum in the Hong Kong Teachers' Centre Conference on
Curriculum Reform and Teaching (Saturday, 25th March, 2006)**

We are pleased to inform you that our Association will be holding a forum and talk in the said conference, which has been a major function co-organised with a large variety of subject organisations for teachers and other educations in March since 2002. Thirty six sessions will be run this year along in addition to keynote speeches on classroom learning. Please refer to the website of the HKTeachers' Centre (www.emb.gov.hk/hkctc) for further information.

The theme of the talk and forum run by our Association this time is the **Fieldwork and School-based Assessment under the New Senior Secondary (334) curriculum**. Although this major curricular innovation is still three years away, geography teachers are likely to have many concerns and views about its desirability, implementation problems and possible solutions. It is hoped that our talk and forum can provide teachers with (a) some insights about the issues at stake, and (b) a platform for them to air their views and discuss them in depth. The ideas and conclusions raised may then be used to stimulate further thoughts and sent to the EMB as feedback for improving the arrangements for fieldwork teaching and school-based assessment in schools. The schedule is as follows:

Venue: Hong Kong Teachers' Centre, Pak Fuk Road, North Point.

Time, speakers and topics:

- 11:00 – 11:30 **Dr. Lai Kwok Chan** (Head of Strategic and Academic Planning, Hong Kong Institute of Education) – **Nature and Implications of Fieldwork and School-based Assessment in Geography**
- 11:30 – 12 noon **Miss Janice Wong** (Geography Teacher, Caritas Chan Chun Ha Field Studies Centre) – **How can geography teaches make use of field studies centres to promote independent fieldwork and school-based assessment in Geography**
- 12 noon – 12:30 Forum and open discussion

If you or your colleague are/is interested, simply send me a reply at anjvgl@hkusua.hku.hk (or 96748563) in the following format by 8th March (as the number of places is limited). You will be notified of the application result by e-mail before 15th March. Priority will be given to HKGA members in case of over-booking. Participants will be issued with a Certificate of Attendance by the Hong Kong Teachers' Centre at the end of the session.

Looking forward to seeing you at the talk and forum, and with best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



Dr. Yeung Pui Ming
(Vice-chairman)

To The Hong Kong Geographical Association:

I (and _____) am/are interested in taking part in the HKGA talk and forum on 25th March in the HKTC Conference on Curriculum Reform and Teaching (2006). Please reserve _____ seat(s) for me/us. My contact details are:

Name: Dr./Mr./Mrs./Miss _____

School / Office: _____

Tel.: _____ e-mail: _____ Date: _____