



**Discovery Bay  
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### **Dolphin Quest 2018 - Educational Junk Experience - WE NEED YOU!**

Dear Parents

Each year, The Lantau Boat Club Paddle & Rowing Sections host an amazing event in which they embark on a single day quest to paddle/row the 72km around Lantau Island in 6 person outrigger canoes and coastal rowing boats, with up to 100 participants from all of Hong Kong's Paddle and Rowing Clubs taking part. This event is all about raising money and awareness for Hong Kong's struggling cetacean populations, the Chinese White Dolphin and the Finless Porpoise. This year's event will be held on **Saturday 8th September 2018**.

This year, they have approached the Lantau Paddle team, along with Plastic Free Seas and Gary Stokes from Sea Shepard, to assist in bringing the event to the communities, in particular the youth of Discovery Bay and Lantau. We aim to educate and inspire as many people as possible by bringing you a unique event that will run along side the Dolphin Quest event.

#### **DQ Educational Junk Experience**

We will be running two educational junks out of Discovery Bay heading to the South Western tip of Lantau Island to a location called Fan Lau. We will aim to do some dolphin spotting before heading to shore to take part in a large beach cleaning operation. This will be followed by a BBQ and swim on the Western Fan Lau beach. We believe that this experience will be powerful enough for the students to be inspired to take more action in protecting Hong Kong's dwindling populations of dolphin and porpoise.

#### **How can you be apart of this?**

We want our inspirational youth environmentalists to be apart of this experience, and this is how! For a place on one of the two junks, show us or share with us how you **"Take Action, Make a Difference!"** to the environment. Unfortunately, the experience will only be for Year 3 students up to Year 13 (Year 6 and below will need to be accompanied by an adult). Some examples of what you could do:



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- Write eco pressure letters for businesses to make positive environmental change
- Embark on a beach clean up
- Change your families environmental practices
- Fundraise for an environmental/conservation charity
- Find event sponsorship to fund the junks (businesses have naming rights of their boat for the day)
- Organise another junk/boat through private businesses, and you can invite your own classmates
- Be creative and come up with other ideas, we love that!

We are accepting entries up until the closing date of Thursday 30th August 2018. It will be on a first come, first served system so please ensure you take action sooner rather than later. Please send evidence of your **"Take Action, Make a Difference"** using photos, videos, letters etc via: **[lantaupaddle@gmail.com](mailto:lantaupaddle@gmail.com)**

If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch.

Kind regards

**Mr Tait & Mr Haines**  
**The Lantau Paddle Team**

