



長。你到底比較喜歡哪份工作呢？
屈：老師。

記：為什麼？

屈：我喜歡跟不同的人接觸，當老師可以跟同學零距離接觸。而校長予人高高在上，難於親近，常令同學有一種望而生畏的感覺。所以跟同學聊天時也沒有當教師時那種親近的感覺。

記：校長，我們知道你主修中史，又是教授中史的，但在學校裡，同學們對中史似乎提不起太大的興趣，對此你會否感到失望嗎？

屈：我教書時也發現這個現象，我總認為問題是在於課程設計。我們的課程是要同學記很多東西，所以同學只是生記硬背，死死地塞進腦袋裡便去應考。這樣怎會有趣呢？其實歷史最重要是探求史事的真相，我們學習歷史是學習分析，著重從多角度去思考史事。其實讀歷史是有方法的：例如一場戰爭，爆發的原因有很多，可以從經濟、民生、政治等等一連串的線索下去尋根究底，所以我們要思路細密，了解事情的來龍去脈，在這種追尋發現的過程中，你會滿載而歸，感到充實有趣。

記：校長，可有甚麼辦法提高同學對中史的興趣呢？

屈：我想同學最大困難的是要記很多東西。而我因為喜歡歷史，所以不覺得要記很多東西，又或者我將歷史事件當成故事，試想：講故事好易記，人人都記得到。此外在溫習時，我會放一些紙在旁邊，然後一邊講故事，一邊記下重點、一邊記憶，這樣我自然會記到很多東西。其實記憶好簡單，只要有想像力便可以。

記：那麼校長除了中史，還喜歡什麼科目呢？

屈：文學是我另一個興趣，文學令我紓解壓力，了解別人的性格。但是人有多種多樣的性格，是了解不完的，所以最有效的方法是看小說，既可以了解更多人的性格又可以學習處世之道。

記：校長你可否分享一下當初你修讀歷史的原因，是否有什麼人或事在影響你呢？

屈：有的。舉個例來說：如果你想推行一個政策，你會想盡快推行，但是讀歷史可以提醒我是急不來的。歷史上有好多良策都失敗就是因為急於求成。因此在歷史上，我學到：

第一、心急只會壞事，所以我學會溝通，明白說服別人接受你的意見是重要；

第二、是知進退。例如有些人有很好的條件，但不上進，就浪費了。本來有很多很好的名和利，就沒有了。我所以要退休，就是這個原因。教統局規定六十歲退休，我都六十歲了；校董會請我連任，但我覺得學校的發展要進入另一個階段，要繼續發展下去，而我現在有能力做到的事大致上都能做到，如果繼續做下去，我覺得自己要重新適應，所以我覺得自己應該退下來，這大概是因為讀歷史讓我明白——知所進退。

忘不了的師道

記：校長，在你的學習生涯中，你最想感謝的是誰？

屈：我最想感謝中二時教我中文的何老師。他剛從台灣大學畢業回來，他的課並不限於知識的輸送，而是天南地北地跟同學聊天，有時他會談談自己最近看過什麼書、什麼電影，跟我們討論當中的情節，就是這樣開展我們的視野。我最記得有一次討論的話題是：我們班上有同學應不應該講粗口。我們當然認為不應該，但老師竟然說：「講粗口可以發洩情緒，令心理健康。」接著我們就展開了討論。其實我們當然不贊成，不認同。但這激起了我們從不同角度去思考，結果花了很多時間討論，雖然書還是有教，但我們中文學得不太好，視野卻是闊了，而我最感謝的是他啟發我們要有獨立的思辨能力，並非所有事都是必然如此的。我最記得畢業的時候，他送給我們一句說話：「每人都有自由意志我們應該自己決定自己的路，不要麻木服從傳統，每人走自己的路，只要想清楚就行了。」雖然他在中文方面對我們幫助不大，但他卻達到傳道解惑的大能。我們以後做事和生活都受他影響。

樂乎天命

記：我們記得校長曾在週會中說過自己不再有目標，這是否意味著你已達成目標，現在可以功成身退呢？

屈：可能是我說得不太清楚，我並不是再沒有目標。我的意思是說自己在事業上再沒有目標；但在生活上我要開展新里程，要好好安排退休的生活，令日子過得更加充實、更加有意義。我們的年紀愈來愈大，體能就愈來愈衰弱，愈來愈多病痛，不過這是不能避免的，是正常規律，人人都是這樣。我常覺得西方人能夠很勇敢面對死亡，這樣人才會更珍惜生命；中國人避諱死亡，結果晚境過得孤伶淒涼。但是我就不怕談死，因為這是自然的事，沒啥可怕。同樣面對困難時，不要逃避。

臨別贈言

記：最後，校長臨別在即，可有什麼話要跟新亞的同學說？

屈：不要看扁自己。當你看不看扁自己的時候，你就會對自己有要求，對自己有期望，你自然就會奮力向上。生活是自己的，只要走得充實、開心就行了。

採訪撰稿：張茗惠、符致禾、黎淑嫻、吳海彤（四忠）

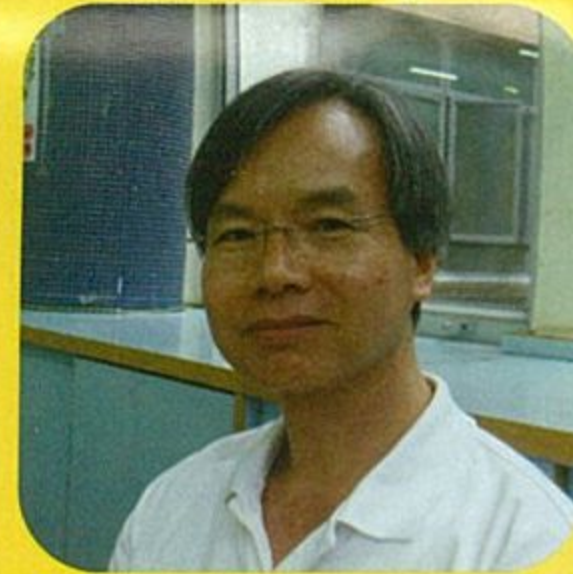
追尋與發現

訪蘇綿昌老師

蘇老師一向都是笑面迎人，開朗活潑，深得學生喜愛。但他以前是如何學習呢？他為什麼會教化學呢？他今年退休了，他對我們有什麼祝願呢？

當“化學”成為興趣

當我們問蘇老師為什麼選擇讀化學時，蘇老師說他在唸中三時，對化學變化產生好奇，為要探求有關原理，他於是便開始到圖書館找尋相關書籍鑽研，並與幾位志同道合的同學互相研究切磋，遇困難便向老師請教，甚至進行實驗探究。所以後來的會考，他與同學們都取得優異的成績。



艱苦自厲

蘇老師中五畢業後因經濟條件不容許下，只好半工讀完成中六。後來經他的老師建議決定到台灣大學唸化學。蘇老師為了赴台升學，多次與家人商討，幾經波折終能如願。四年後大學畢業，他回港工作。由於當時港英政府的政策及環境的局限，他選擇了教育事業直至現在。他當年還自撰一聯以自勉：

化民成俗，何必埋首牛角；
學理習文，仍須抽身象牙。

青出於藍 而勝於藍

蘇老師期望同學能主動學習，要比老師所教的行先一步、甚至多步，遇有問題時要請教老師。

這樣學習才会有成，甚至超越前人，社會才得以進步，國家才得以發展。最後老師贈我們一聯句，以茲鼓勵：

化化無常，小生宜立志；
生生不息，君子當自強。

採訪撰稿：侯鍵澎、梁志豪、麥浚謙、黃景禧（四孝）

永懷德風

鄧美蘅老師

今年是鄧美蘅老師的榮休之喜。鄧老師多年來認真為校服務，為學校及同學們貢獻了寶貴的青春歲月，無私地把知識傳授給我們。感謝鄧老師多年的貢獻及教育。

回首過去，剛入學的我已經畢業了，而鄧老師亦於今年退休。記得中四開學的當天，同學們知道您便是我們這兩年的班主任，大家的哀怨聲充斥著整個課室。不負眾望地，您在一開始便送我們一個下馬威。同學們在上您的課時，氣也不敢多喘一口，腰背頂直，課室裏只有您朗朗的教書聲。

日子慢慢過去，您當初下馬威的功效也似乎隨著時間淡化了，或是說我們彼此更了解。您不再是不苟言笑的老師，有時候教室更會傳出大家的笑聲。還記得中四的時候您對我們說，您要退休了，中五孝班的班主任不會是您。同學們的心裏都感到非常惆悵。在過去的日子裏您雖然很嚴苛，但作為您的學生，我們比誰都還要清楚您對我們的關懷、教育和愛。幸好，學校為我們留住了您，讓我們成為您最後一屆的畢業生，也讓我們有更長的時間學習您的人生道理和知識。在此，希望鄧老師在以後的日子過得更美滿滿意。

中五孝班
鄧坤妍

他不說、你不知

教師校董 郭應威老師



記：郭老師你當上「教師校董」一職快一年，你可否告訴我們「教師校董」實質的職務是什麼？

郭：主要是作為教師代表，出席學校每年舉行三次的法團校董會會議。

記：郭老師當日你是怎樣當上「教師校董」？
郭：當組織法團校董會的時候，凡有意擔任教師校董的老師均可報名。當時有五位老師報名，然後再由全體老師投票，選出「教師校董」及「替補教師校董」各一名。

記：你在知道當選時，那一刻心情怎樣？

郭：當然很開心，能夠得到同事的認同和支持，可以出席校董會。

記：你認為「教師校董」，最大的功能是什麼？

郭：當校董會討論有關教育工作的時候時，作為教師代表，「教師校董」可以反映前線教育工作者面對的困難，並向校方提出改進教學的支援。

記：過去一年，老師在發揮這功能時可有碰上什麼難題，或令你困擾的事情呢？

郭：沒有太大困難，因為校董會基本上很了解和支援教師的工作。

記：據我們所知「教師校董」會有參與校政的機會，郭老師作為一個老師，又涉及校政的事務，兩者會否有所衝突？你又如何平衡？

郭：的確會有衝突。有部份討論內容是不能夠洩露（例如老師的升遷），但卻有老師很想知道校董會討論的事項和決定。這時候，作為教師校董就要嚴守保密原則。

記：你在當選前與當選後有什麼改變？

郭：分別不大，都是正常地做自己覺得應該做的事情。

記：有一個八卦問題，我們想知道出任「教師校董」會否有額外薪酬？

郭：沒有。全體校董都必須肯定沒有得到個人利益。

記：哦！這算是一個義務工作嗎？

郭：是呀！

記：那麼郭老師你來年還會參選嗎？

郭：我每年都在考慮這個問題。我常希望多些年輕老師參與學校的行政工作，深入了解教育上的問題。

記：郭老師，你認為擔當「教師校董」，要具備什麼條件？

郭：首先要關心及了解學校，對學校行政運作有基本認識；其次是要肯定教育工作的社會價值，並不是以薪酬等各種利益來衡量；最後是要有心為教師爭取更好的教學環境，使教育工作順利進行。

採訪撰稿：張勝連、湯嘉儀、羅韻盈、陶譚祐（四仁）

我走我路

訪魏天沛老師

記：老師，據我們所知，你原本是擔任教學助理一職，可否介紹一下有關教學助理的職務？

魏：嗯！教學助理的職務，就是支援老師設計教材，例如：老師會因應教學需要設計工作紙，我就要依照他的就要依照他的構想完成有關工作紙的製作；此外因應教學需要準備一些物資，例如拍攝與教學主題相關的短片，又課堂上做活動時所需的物資，都是我準備的。所以，我的工作就是準備教材及技術支援。

記：據聞你晚上要進修，那麼你每天工作這麼繁重，你會不會感到疲累？有沒有想過放棄呢？

魏：啊！真的很累。每日工作12小時，又要上3小時的課。生活就只有工作、讀書，這樣下去太辛苦了，那一刻很想放棄。幸好只時一念間的想法，好快我又朝著目標前進。我想目標是好重要的，我終極的目標就是當老師，為了這個目標，無論有多辛苦，我也要撐下去。

記：為甚麼對當老師有這麼大的興趣呢？

魏：我喜歡與人談天、交流、分享；我又喜歡研究，所以我選擇當教師。

記：老師從教學助理晉身成老師，當中有甚麼值得與我們分享？

魏：過去我一邊教學，一邊進修。我特別感受到時間緊迫，所以我們要好好分配時間，才可以有能力去認識新知識，接觸新事物，開啟視同。

記：魏老師，在現今的社會，你認為學歷重要嗎？

魏：相當重要。

記：為甚麼？

魏：學歷是一個證明，證明你的能力。在工作方面，你擁高學歷(如大學畢業)就有較大的選擇權；在進修方面就擁有較大空間提昇能力。學歷可說是通行證，讓你踏上光明前路。

記：那麼老師會繼續進修嗎？

魏：我將來會繼續進修，學海無涯嗎。

採訪撰稿：葉超達、陳達興、文澤昇、容啟發(四忠)



書山有路勤為徑 學海無涯苦作舟

訪姚金蘭老師

每當走進圖書館，總有一位老師笑咪咪的在歡迎你。她就是我們的圖書館主任 — 姚金蘭老師。你也許會問，為什麼她總是笑咪咪的？原來姚老師是一位基督徒，她認為“得力在乎平靜安穩”，她覺得自己不開心就會影響身邊的人，即使遇到困難，也會樂觀面對，所以經常笑咪咪，是要把心中的那份喜悅感染別人。

剛剛當上圖書館主任時，姚老師為了“做好呢份工”，她除了加入“圖書館主任協會”外，

經常向其他有經驗的圖書館管理員請教，更特地到中文大學修讀與圖書館相關課程，此外她又修讀英文課程，終成為一位合格的英文老師。老師孜孜不倦地進修研習，正告訴我們學海無涯，唯勤是岸。

姚老師還語重心長地叮囑我們要珍惜學習機會。中學是我們的青蔥歲月，要好好把握，要多閱讀，才會令我們的人生變得豐盛，生活才有意義。

這短短十分鐘的訪問裏，姚老師對讀書求學的那份熱忱，開啟了我們另一扇知識的窗口，給我們平靜的校園生活添增了醉人的芬芳。

採訪撰稿：王明芳、余舒雅、黎芷珊、楊雅玲(四愛)

給你們的

訪樊駿偉社工

我向來比較喜歡跟年青人相處，所以畢業後當社工到現在。

社工的工作主要是輔導和幫助學生。但有不少人都存在一個誤解，以為來找社工就一定是有困擾。其實不少同學都會跟我分享他們的開心事，或者是生活點滴，就好像朋友似的。

現今時代，同學面對不少困難和挑戰，但只要不放棄，相信自己能做得到的，雖然過程會很辛苦，要付出很多，但我相信只要不放棄，一定會成功的。

此外，同學們在學習上，要認真對待知識。我見過不少的同學，他們彼此之間最大的不同就是學習態度的分歧。結果，有人要中途離場，有人直上天梯。我深信求進步的態度是成功的第一步。

最後保持樂觀的心態，會是面對困境的一個重要方法。有些問題、困難，不是一時三刻能解決得到的，需要長時間，一兩個星期甚至一兩年才能解決得到。在這段時間內要令自己保持愉快的心境是很重要的，因為這樣你才能讓自己有力量去面對困難。建立信心，發掘長處，欣賞自己都是排難解困的好方法。

採訪撰稿：蔡正浩、賴淑研、黃思慧(四孝)

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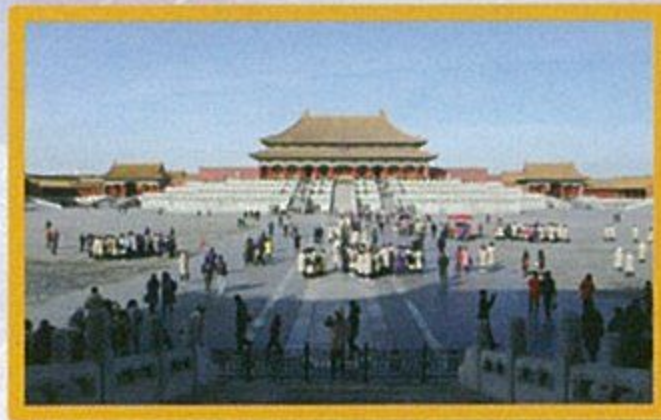
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最後一天，前往天壇參觀



在門前大街中，每個人也有豐富的收穫



在清華大學聽教授們演說

Arthur Wong 2A

After recess, I saw quite a few colourful posters spring up around the school bulletin boards, I was delighted to see that Word Hunt II was about to start. It's like seeing an old friend again: I had a fond recollection of Word Hunt I, full of joy and, of course, sweets. As I read the poster, I saw the word that really matters most: SWEETS! How could I resist?

The event works like this: student helpers will hand out question papers to students, and they will have to fill out the paper. The sample sheets on the wall will provide a source of reference for those who don't know the answer.

When I got to the place where the event took place, there were people who already beat me there. I saw there was a treasure trove of candies and prizes. But before I could say Mentos, I was quickly employed to become one of the helpers and was instructed to hand out the question papers. Unsurprisingly, most students who took part in the event were Form. 1 students who have an appetite for candies. Then the troublemakers began to arrive, especially two cheeky students called Jevry and William. Were it not for the heroic efforts of the student helpers, i.e. me, they would have succeeded with their evil quest for sweets, but they managed to get away with some candies and always tagged along gloating over their victory.

Eventually, my rescue came when the teacher came and said she could take over my post, allowing me to get some sweets. For my efforts, teachers slipped an extra sweet here and there after I had finished the questions. After the dreaded bell rang, teachers found there were leftover candies and a percentage of them went to Arthur Wong Charity Organization. Being a helper has its perks... you can tell it's true from the look on the two troublemakers' face.

The poster promised me fun and candies, and boy, fun and candies did I get! (My tummy agrees.)



Easter Activities

This year the Easter Bunny visited NAMS twice! We held the first celebrations on Friday March 26 at lunchtime. We organized several activities – answer a question about Easter, read a poem about Easter, complete a jigsaw puzzle and throw the egg through the bunny's tummy. The most popular activity was throwing the eggs.

We continued with the activities on Monday at lunchtime and after school. We also had an Easter Egg Hunt at lunchtime, with clues hidden around the school. The 'eggs' were cut from cardboard and could be exchanged for candy. Some students collected many 'eggs'. All the participants enjoyed the activities and eating candy. If you missed the celebrations this year, be sure to make a note in your diary to come next year!



Our Easter Bunny, the basket of candies and the boards.



Students lining up to throw the eggs. The bunny's ears are in the front right hand corner.



Some of the poems that the students could read, and then receive a reward of candies.



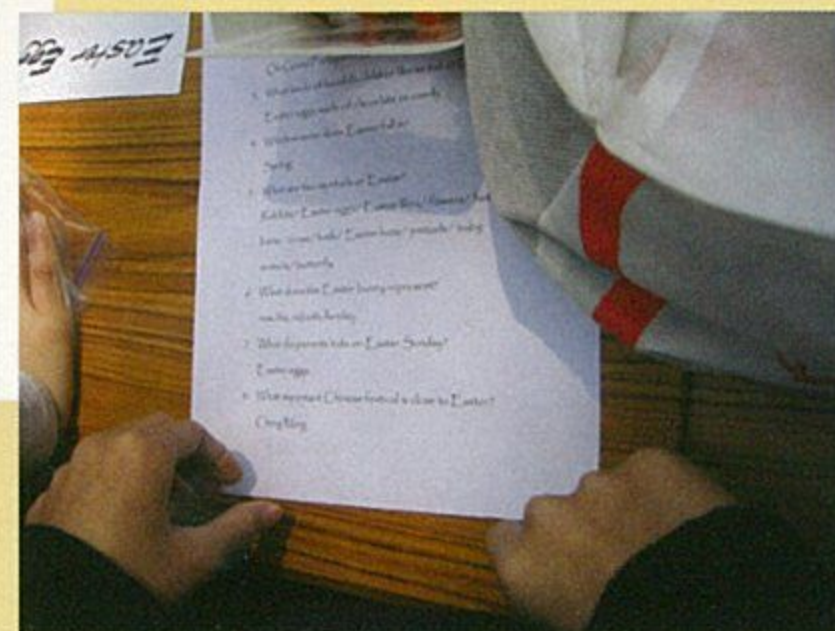
Students eagerly competing in the games.



Asking and answering questions about Easter.



Ivy and Anna asking students questions about Easter. The answers are on the board behind them.



Some of the questions the students had to answer.



Throwing eggs to win candies.

Farewell, My Beloved School

S7B Tang Chi Kei

S5A Chan Ka Hin, Wilson

Time flies! My secondary school life is coming to an end. It has been a great time for me studying in New Asia Middle School. I have really learned a lot from the various lessons and activities in our school. The boring curriculum has become engaging because of our experienced teachers. In addition to lessons, I was euphoric about the huge variety of extra-curricular activities in our school. I was exposed to university life through the "Outstanding Student" programme. It was a great opportunity to experience university life at the University of Hong Kong. As the chairman of the Science Club, I was enthusiastic about sharing and exploring scientific knowledge with my friends and teachers.

What's more, teachers and students become close to each other because we all have a great sense of belonging to our school. When encountering hurdles, I don't feel alone and panic-stricken any more since friends and teachers stand by me and support me. Although there is still a long way to go in my life, thanks to New Asia Middle School, I am sure that my secondary school life will be the most wonderful part of my entire life.

As a senior form student, there is much preparation work which is different from the simple tasks I performed while in Forms 1 to 3. I find it difficult to cope with the heavy workload of Form 5. Not only the revision, but also earlier practice papers baffle me a lot. However, I feel satisfied with the great progress of my academic results and being able to remember details of previous quizzes and examinations.

This year will be the final chance to determine whether I can continue my studies. I must exert myself to strive for excellence. More importantly, with the HKCEE approaching, parents and teachers are supporting me by comprehensive training, like tutoring me in ways of relieving pressure, and teaching me skills needed for answering exam questions. Therefore, it is sensible to make good use of the rest of my time despite the possibility of failure.

Some say that Form 5 is a precious moment in life because time waits for no man. Furthermore, we do not know what will happen in the future. So, we should cherish what we have right now and embrace any opportunity to the fullest. In my opinion, I believe being relaxed is what is needed when we feel as if the weight of the world is on our shoulders. Definitely, everyone has their own views. Nevertheless, to me, the best method of studying well is to study moderately and to take rests. Whenever we tie a knot, we must understand how to loosen it. The same principle applies to studying.

Lastly, I look forward to achieving my goals of getting 18 marks in the HKCEE. Also, I hope that I can have the confidence to carry me forward to achieve good results.

So Long, Farewell, Teachers
We wish you all the best
Mr Leung Yu Chiu Mr Yuen Moon Tong

Have you noticed these sayings around the school?

Take the bull by the horns
(to confront a problem head-on and deal with it openly.)
It's time to take the bull by the horns and get this job done.

Down in the dumps
(unhappy)
She's down in the dumps because all her friends are out of town.

Variety is the spice of life
(You should try many different kinds of experiences, because trying different things keeps life interesting.)
I know we usually spend our summer vacation camping out, but I think we should try something different this year. Variety is the spice of life.

Like looking for a needle in a haystack
(engaged in a hopeless search.)
I tried to find my lost contact lens on the beach, but it was like looking for a needle in a haystack.

Haste makes waste
(You do not save any time by working too fast; hurrying will cause you to make mistakes, and you will have to take extra time to do the job over again.)
*Fred: Hurry up and get my car fixed.
Alan: Don't rush me. Haste makes waste.*

Money is the root of all evil.
(People do many evil things in order to get rich.)
*Fred: I know I could make more money if I just knew the right things to invest in.
Ellen: Don't worry so much about money. It's the root of all evil, after all.*

Turn over a new leaf
(To begin again, fresh; to reform and begin again.)
I have made a mess of my life. I'll turn over a new leaf and hope to do better.

Strike while the iron is hot
(When you have an opportunity to do something, do it before you lose your chance.)
Ask Lisa for a favor now, while she's in a good mood. Strike while the iron is hot.

Better late than never
(Doing something late is better than not doing it.)
*Jill: Lisa's birthday was two weeks ago. Should I send her a card now?
Jane: Better late than never.*

Rome was not built in a day
(It takes a lot of time to achieve something important.)
*Professor: When will you finish your research project?
Student: It'll take me a while. Rome wasn't built in a day, you know.*

Two heads are better than one
(Two people working together have a better chance of solving a problem than one person working alone.)
Come over here and help me with my assignment. Two heads are better than one.

On pins and needles
(anxious)
I've been on pins and needles all day, waiting for you to call with the news.

It's no use crying over spilled milk.
(Do not be upset about making a mistake, since you cannot change that now.)
I know you don't like your new haircut, but you can't change it now. It's no use crying over spilled milk.

The tip of the iceberg
(Small but evident part of a problem. 冰山一角)
Over 100 burglaries are reported every month, and that's just the tip of the iceberg.

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