Speech given by Principal Ms Wong Yin-ling at the opening ceremony of the 60th Anniversary Sports Day held on 21 December, 2012

Dear parents, colleagues and Hotung girls

Time is of the essence today, as we have a very tight schedule ahead of us, so I will keep my opening remarks short.

Among you, there are quite a number of schoolmates who not just excel in athletic activities and sports but, more importantly, have a genuine passion for such physical exertion. When you take a careful look at them when they are in action on the field or the track, you will notice, and cannot help but envy, the truly happy smiles on their face, whether they win or not. Running, jumping, throwing, etc – these are the things that they really love to do. And they also benefit from these whole-hearted pursuits – they learn to focus, to go beyond their limits, to explore their untapped potentials, and to keep pushing themselves until they succeed. These are all very admirable and important qualities that all of you can learn, first hand and up close, from them today.

So, all of you athletes, try your very best and reach for your goals today. At the same time, you can be excellent role models for your other schoolmates who are less physically inclined. This way, both of you reap rewards from today’s events.

In this school year, we celebrate our school’s 60th Anniversary. Let’s work together to make this Sports Day the best one in our school history.

Thank you.