



**DEC 18<sup>TH</sup> 7:00-8:00PM (MON)**  
**MAKING THE MOST OF THE**  
**LAST 4 YEARS AT HIGH SCHOOL**

***BY CHRIS COETZEE***

The teenage years are a very challenging period, both for teenagers and their parents. Planning ahead and staying focused can be daunting. Many parents who are driven by anxiety about Hong Kong's competitive context, significant technological changes, and the fear of getting things wrong, make demands on their teenagers which may lead to academic success in the short-term, but that come at a significant cost to later learning.

It can be very helpful to have a frank discussion with someone who works with teenagers for a living. Mr. Coetzee has taught thousands of teenagers over a 15-year career and this has given him significant insights into how teenagers think, how they behave, and what they want. Many years of conversations with parents have likewise given him insights into how to address parent anxieties. Come join the conversation!

**Topics Include:**

- Internal vs external motivation
- Instilling positive learning attitudes
- The dangers of constant comparison

**About the Speaker**

**With over a decade of educational experience in South Africa, the USA, Germany, South Korea, and Hong Kong, Chris has taught Latin, English, Music, and History to secondary school students in IB, IGCSE, A-Levels, Pre-U, and AP programs, and has also worked as department head, head of senior academics, pedagogy workshop leader, and educational inspector. Chris most recently headed the Classics department and taught Diploma English at the ISF Academy, before joining Baker and Bloom in August 2015.**

**Date: 18 December**

**Time: 7:00-8:00PM**

**Location: 1F, China Hong Kong Tower, 8-12 Hennessy Road, WanChai**

**Fee: \$100**

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