**English syllabus March 2022**

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**Course Description & Aims:**

This course intends to enhance listening and speaking skills by means of introducing and familiarizing students with popular programs with various topics (such as society, culture, politics and so on) from BBC Radio 4. After taking this intensive training course, students’ listening and speaking skills will be greatly improved. They will, at the same time, be familiar with several great lives in western history.

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| Date | Topic | Instructor |
| 3/8 (Wednesday)  13:20-15:10 | Course Introduction (Plus Exploring and Introducing Popular English Podcast Programmes) | Kang-yen Chiu |
| 3/9 (Thursday)  10:00-12:00 | BBC Radio 4 Great Lives: Steve Jobs (Group 1 Report) | Kang-yen Chiu |
| 3/10 (Friday)  13:20-15:10  (tbc. Or 15:30-17:20) | BBC Radio 4 Great Lives: Mother Teresa (Group 2 Report) | Kang-yen Chiu |
| 3/13 (Monday)  13:20-15:10 | BBC Radio 4 Great Lives: Walt Disney (Group 3Report) | Kang-yen Chiu |
| 3/15 (Wednesday)  13:20-15:10 | BBC Radio 4 Great Lives: Florence Nightingale (Group 4 Report) | Kang-yen Chiu |
| 3/16 (Thursday)  10:00-12:00 | BBC Radio 4 Great Lives: Thomas Edison (Group 5 Report) | Kang-yen Chiu |
| 3/17 (Friday)  13:20-15:10 | Student Final Presentation | Kang-yen Chiu |

**Student Group Oral Report:**

1. Summary of the Program **(please do not use slide)** (3 minutes maximum for each student)

---1st Student: the first 10 minutes of the program

---2nd Student: the second 10 minutes of the program

1. 3rd student explaining why the person had a great life and giving extra materials related to the life **(slide is needed)** (3 minutes maximum)

**Student Final Presentation and Evaluation (March 22):**

6 Minutes Oral Presentation (\*Students will have to stay on the stage for at least 5 minutes.), including:

1. 4 Minutes Explaining Why the Person Had a Great Life based on the material given in the program
2. 2 Minutes Explaining Your Own Thoughts About the Person’s Life

**60% Content and Structure of Your Presentation**

**30% Pronunciation, fluency…**

**10% Body Language, Facial Expression…**