

Campaign on "Promoting Positive Values and Attitudes through English Sayings of Wisdom (SOW) 2021/22"

Week of Hope

Notes to Schools

What is "Week of Hope"?

- A **school-based English week** featuring a variety of English learning activities that centre around the overarching theme of "Hope" and/or sub-themes from "My Pledge to Act 2021/22" (i.e. "Be Grateful and Treasure What We Have, Stay Positive and Optimistic") to integrate values education into English language learning
- Time period: 25-29 July and 1-5 August 2022 (Updated) or any time period decided by the school
- Details of the "Week of Hope":

EDBCM No.164/2021 (Annex 8)



SOW web page

"Week of Hope" web page

"Week of Hope" video







• Examples of school-based activities for the "Week of Hope": classroom learning activities for appreciation of SOW, drama performances, film appreciation, song dedication, seminars/talks, book exhibitions, classroom board/poster design competitions, parent-child book sharing

Resources in support of schools for organising the "Week of Hope"

Tree of Hope (Print version)



"Tree of Hope" Poster x 1 (150 cm x 200 cm)



Leaf cutouts for writing messages for "Tree of Hope" x 10 sheets (A4 size) **SOW Ambassadors Passport** (Print and electronic versions)



Passport x 10 copies

★For the e-version, please download from the "Week of Hope" web page.

A Resource Kit on Promoting Positive Values and Attitudes through English Sayings of Wisdom





How to use the "Tree of Hope"?

- Distribute the leaf cutouts to students, staff members of the school and parents for writing their thoughts and reflections on "hope" (e.g. expressing gratitude/wishes, sharing personal goals, drawing pictures/sticking photos which capture special moments of hope).
- Affix the "leaves" on the "Tree of Hope" and display it in the school to spread the positive vibes.
- Make creative use of the "Tree of Hope" (e.g. invite students to reply to a message on the "Tree of Hope", vote for the most inspiring/creative/touching message on the "Tree of Hope") to maximise the positive impacts of the activity week.



* Schools may make extra copies of the leaf cutouts or prepare their own cutouts.

How to use the "SOW Ambassadors Passport"?



Instruct the SOW Ambassadors to record the SOW activities they have helped organise/ participated in. (See pp.6-14 of Passport)



Verify the records in the SOW Ambassadors Passports at the end of the school year.



"Certificates of Achievement" and SOW souvenirs for the SOW Ambassadors will be sent to schools in October 2022.

Guide the SOW
Ambassadors to complete a self-reflection at the end of the school year.

(See pp.15-16 of Passport)

Submit the names of the SOW Ambassadors who have completed 10 or more SOW activities via Google Form on or before 12 August 2022 (Fri).



SOW Ambassadors

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e-version of the SOW Ambassadors Passport



★ Deadlines of SOW competitions/activities organised by the EDB have been updated. Scan the QR code for details.



Submission of names of SOW
Ambassadors via Google Form:
https://forms.gle/YUEQRyTj6QHAsX6M8

Sharing of Good Practices - Submission of School-based "Week of Hope" Record

- Participating schools of the "Week of Hope" are invited to submit the following school-based record:
 - 1) A photo of the "Tree of Hope" taken during the school-based "Week of Hope"
 - 2) **Highlights of the "Week of Hope" activities and other activities** organised for integrating values education into English language learning in the 2021/22 school year in the following forms:
 - A visual representation (e.g. a set of PPT slides, a photo collage, a short video clip, a newsletter, or any other forms) with simple descriptions (e.g. captions/titles/headings) to describe the school-based activities; and/or
 - A reflection on the "Week of Hope" (e.g. written by the SOW Ambassadors) accompanied by photos
- Submission: Submit the record (file format: docx/jpg/pdf/mp4/pptx) through the Google Form (https://forms.gle/YUEQRyTj6QHAsX6M8) on or before 12 August 2022 (Fri).
- Good practices will be disseminated on the SOW web page and in EDB publications.
- Certificate of Appreciation and SOW souvenirs will be given to the contributing schools in recognition of
 efforts and sharing.

"Week of Hope" - Checklist for Schools

Set a time period and devise a plan of school-based activities for the "Week of Hope".
Recruit SOW Ambassadors and distribute SOW Ambassadors Passports to them. Guide them to keep record of the SOW activities on the Passports.
Display the "Tree of Hope" poster in school and get students and teachers to stick and respond to messages on the poster.
Promote and organise other learning activities for the "Week of Hope".
Capture highlights of the activities organised (e.g. taking photos, video-taping, writing feature articles).
Submit the names of SOW Ambassadors who have completed 10 or more SOW activities and the school-based record of "Week of Hope" via <u>Google Form</u> on or before 12 August 2022.



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