Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 194/2023

From	:	Secretary for Education	То	:	Heads of Kindergartens, Primary and
					Secondary Schools (including Special
Ref	:	EDB(HSC&PEd)/1/150/22/2			Schools)
Date	:	2 November 2023			

Parent Education Programmes for Non-Chinese Speaking Parents (2023/24 School Year)

Introduction

This circular memorandum invites kindergartens, primary and secondary schools (including special schools) to encourage their non-Chinese speaking (NCS) parents to participate in the parent education programmes for NCS parents provided by the Education Bureau (EDB) in the 2023/24 school year.

Background

2. The Government is committed to enhancing the Chinese proficiency of NCS students to prepare them for further studies and work, as well as integration in the local community. In the course of learning Chinese, while it requires the continuous effort of schools, teachers and NCS students, support from families in creating an environment conducive to the learning of Chinese is also essential. In this connection, EDB has been providing a series of parent education programmes for NCS parents since the 2020/21 school year, including parent education talks cum exhibitions and community activities. The programmes aim at raising the parents' awareness regarding the importance of early exposure to and learning of Chinese for their children. They also seek to inform parents of the multiple pathways available to their children and to enhance the communication between parents and schools to foster better learning support for their children. To support more NCS parents, EDB will continue to provide relevant parent education programmes in the 2023/24 school year and introduce a series of activities progressively starting from mid-November 2023.

Details

3. EDB has commissioned the HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education (HKU SPACE) and Caritas Hong Kong to offer a series of parent education talks cum exhibitions and community activities for NCS parents in the 2023/24 school year. Diversified modes of activities, including talks, workshops, exhibitions, game booths, site visits and community visits, are introduced, with a view to meeting the different needs of NCS parents.

4. The event calendar of parent education programmes for NCS parents in the 2023/24 school year is at the <u>Annex</u> for reference. Schools are invited to inform their NCS students and parents of the details of the activities and encourage for active participation. Enrolment methods and the information of the activities will be updated as and when appropriate. Parents may visit the EDB website for details.



Enquiries

5. For programme details and contact information of the service providers, please refer to the <u>Annex</u>. For other enquiries, please contact the Home-School Co-operation and Parent Education Section on 3698 4376.

Ms M K HO for Secretary for Education

c.c. Heads of Sections - for information

Annex

Parent Education Programmes for Non-Chinese Speaking Parents in the 2023/24 School Year (Event Calendar)

Details of the activities below may be subject to change. Please refer to EDB website for the latest update.

(website path: https://www.edb.gov.hk > Main Page > Students and Parents Related > Non-Chinese Speaking (NCS) Students > Education Services for Non-Chinese Speaking (NCS) Students > Provision and Support > For Parents and Students > Parent Education Programmes for Non-Chinese Speaking Parents)

The enrolment methods, programme details and other information are as follows:

Talks cum Exhibitions Service Provider: HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education Contact Person: Ms KUANG Tel: 9772 7943

Community Activities Service Provider: Caritas Hong Kong Contact Person: Ms CHAN / Ms SIN Tel: 2552 4211

A. Single Events

Date	Торіс	Mode(s) of activity	District(s)	School Level
11/11/2023	Early Adaption and	Talk cum	Kwai Tsing	Primary school and
(Saturday)	Integration to Local	Exhibition		Secondary school
	School and			
	Communities			
11/11/2023	Learning Through Play	Community	Wan Chai	Kindergarten
(Saturday)		Activity		
18/11/2023	Supporting Your	Talk cum	Sham Shui Po	Kindergarten
(Saturday)	Children in Learning	Exhibition		and Primary school
	of Chinese			
25/11/2023	Positive Parenting:	Talk cum	Yuen Long	Kindergarten

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Date	Торіс	Mode(s) of activity	District(s)	School Level
(Saturday)	Help Your Child Grow Up Happily	Exhibition		
25/11/2023	Learning Through Play	Community	Wong Tai Sin	Kindergarten
(Saturday)		Activity		
2/12/2023	Positive Parenting:	Talk cum	Tuen Mun	Primary school
(Saturday)	Motivate Your Child to	Exhibition		
	Learn Happily and			
	Effectively			
2/12/2023	Building Rapport with	Community	Kwun Tong	Secondary school
(Saturday)	Your Child	Activity		
9/12/2023	Understanding Local	Talk cum	Central &	Kindergarten and
(Saturday)	Education System and	Exhibition	Western	Primary school
	Language			
	Development in			
	Children			
9/12/2023	Build a Healthy Well-	Community	Wan Chai	Primary school
(Saturday)	being and Living	Activity		
16/12/2023	Happy Chinese	Community	Kwai Tsing	Primary school
(Saturday)	Learning	Activity		
6/1/2024	Support Your Child's	Community	Tuen Mun	Primary School
(Saturday)	Learning	Activity		
13/1/2024	Exploration of Your	Community	Kwun Tong	Primary school
(Saturday)	Child's Talent	Activity		
20/1/2024	Joyful Chinese	Community	Kowloon City	Kindergarten
(Saturday)	Learning with Your	Activity		
3/2/2024	Child Being Smart Parents	Community	Yuen Long	Kindergarten
(Saturday)		Activity		111101guitell
(Saturday) 24/2/2024	Plan for Your Child's	Community	Islands	Secondary school
(Saturday)	Future	Activity		Secondary School
9/3/2024	Let Your Child Show	Community	Tuen Mun	Secondary school
(Saturday)	Their Talent	Activity		
23/3/2024	Learn and Play with	Community	Yau Tsim Mong	Kindergarten
(Saturday)	Your Child	Activity		Burton
(Saturday) 13/4/2024	Happy Chinese	Community	Sham Shui Po	Primary school
(Saturday)	Learning	Activity		Timary Seneor
20/4/2024	Building Rapport with	Community	Eastern	Secondary school

Date	Торіс	Mode(s) of activity	District(s)	School Level
(Saturday)	Your Child	Activity		
27/4/2024	Positive Parenting	Community	Yuen Long	Primary school
(Saturday)		Activity		
4/5/2024	Positive Parenting:	Talk cum	Kowloon City	Secondary school
(Saturday)	Communicate with	Exhibition		
	Your Child Happily			
11/5/2024	Develop Your Child's	Community	Sham Shui Po	Secondary school
(Saturday)	Healthy Lifestyle	Activity		
18/5/2024	Positive Parenting:	Talk cum	Kwun Tong	Kindergarten
(Saturday)	Help Your Child Grow	Exhibition		
	Up Happily			
25/5/2024	Let Your Child Show	Community	Yau Tsim Mong	Secondary school
(Saturday)	Their Talent	Activity		
1/6/2024	Early Adaption and	Talk cum	Islands	Primary school and
(Saturday)	Integration to Local	Exhibition		Secondary school
	School and			
	Communities			
15/6/2024	Supporting Your	Talk cum	Wan Chai	Kindergarten and
(Saturday)	Children in Learning	Exhibition		Primary school
	of Chinese			
22/6/2024	Joyful Chinese	Community	Kwai Tsing	Kindergarten
(Saturday)	Learning with Your	Activity		
	Child			

B. Talk Series¹

Date	Торіс	Mode of activity	District	School level
Series I				
6/1/2024	Session 1	Talk	Yau Tsim	Kindergarten
(Saturday)	Understanding of Child		Mong	
	Development from Age 3 to 6			
13/1/2024	Session 2			
(Saturday)	Practical Ways in Supporting			
	Your Child's Chinese Learning			
	at Home			
20/1/2024	Session 3			

Date	Торіс	Mode of activity	District	School level
(Saturday)	Smooth Interface between Kindergarten and Primary School			
Series II				
27/1/2024	Session 1	Talk	Eastern	Primary school
(Saturday)	Understanding of Child Development from Age 6 to 12			
3/2/2024	Session 2			
(Saturday)	Practical Ways in Supporting Your Child's Learning at Home			
24/2/2024	Session 3	•		
(Saturday)	Understanding the Hong Kong Education System and			
	Strengthening Home-school			
	Co-operation			
Series III				
9/3/2024	Session 1	Talk	Yuen Long	Secondary school
(Saturday)	Understanding of Adolescent Development from Age 12 to 18			
13/4/2024	Session 2			
(Saturday)	Practical Ways in Supporting Your Teenage Child to Enhance Physical and Psychological Well-being			
20/4/2024	Session 3			
(Saturday)	Exploration of Diversified Study and Career Pathways			

Note:

¹ Interested parents may enroll in either one or more talk series according to their needs. Each talk series comprises three sessions, and parents can enroll in the three sessions in a series in one go.