

Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 194/2023

From : Secretary for Education To : Heads of Kindergartens, Primary and
Secondary Schools (including Special
Ref : EDB(HSC&PEd)/1/150/22/2 Schools)
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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 Annex 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 Annex. 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

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

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

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

B. Talk Series¹

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

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