

Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 61/2023

From : Secretary for Education To : Supervisors and Heads of Kindergartens,
Kindergarten-cum-Child Care Centres and
Schools with Kindergarten Classes and
Primary Schools (including Special
Schools)

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Parent Education Courses for Parents of Kindergarten and Primary Students (2022/23 School Year)

Summary

This circular memorandum informs kindergartens (including kindergarten-cum-child care centres and schools with kindergarten classes) and primary schools (including special schools) of the parent education courses provided by the Education Bureau (EDB) in the 2022/23 school year. Schools are invited to forward this circular memorandum to the Parent-Teacher Associations, teachers and parents to encourage parents' participation.

Background

2. EDB has all along been supporting home-school co-operation, forging home-school partnership and promoting parent education through kindergartens as well as primary and secondary schools (including special schools). The Education Commission set up the Task Force on Home-School Co-operation and Parent Education (Task Force) and submitted a report to EDB in April 2019. One of the recommendations is to develop a curriculum framework or curriculum guide on parent education in order to meet the needs of parents at each stage, and equip them with the necessary knowledge and skills for bringing up their children at different stages. In accordance with the recommendations of the Task Force, EDB launched the Curriculum Framework on Parent Education (Kindergarten) and the Curriculum Framework on Parent Education (Primary School) in September 2021 and December 2022 respectively. The curriculum frameworks comprise four core strands: "Understanding of Child Development", "Promotion of Health, Happy and Balanced Development of Children", "Promotion of Parents' Physical and Psychological Well-being" and "Fostering Home-school Co-operation and Communication". The curriculum frameworks serve as common basis for relevant institutions, groups or organisations to provide systematic parent education courses with different objectives across stages through organising territory-wide, community-based, school-based and online parent education courses.

Details

3. Parents are key partners of schools and play a pivotal role in supporting students' learning, fostering their positive values and whole-person development. Parents are encouraged to learn age-appropriate parenting knowledge and skills, and to be positive role models for their children. By acquiring parenting knowledge and skills, parents could have a better understanding of their children's uniqueness and characteristics so as to set reasonable expectations for themselves and their children, and enhance family relationship and the well-being of their children and themselves.

4. To enhance parents' relevant knowledge and skills and help them develop a positive attitude towards parenting, EDB has commissioned the School of Continuing Education of Hong Kong Baptist University to conduct parent education courses for parents of kindergarten students and parents of primary students respectively. The courses will make reference to the Curriculum Framework on Parent Education (Kindergarten) and Curriculum Framework on Parent Education (Primary School), covering the key issues relating to different domains of parent education. Through a variety of learning activities, such as lectures, experience sharing, role plays and round-table discussion, the courses help parents master the relevant knowledge and skills so as to facilitate children's healthy growth and effective learning.

5. The parent education courses will be conducted from **June to July 2023**. Details of the courses and enrolment methods are set out at [Annex](#) and the Parent Education Activity Information Hub of the "Smart Parent Net" website of EDB. Schools are invited to inform parents of the courses through various means (such as school webpage, school circular, e-mail, parents' messaging group and Parent-Teacher Association) and encourage them to enrol. **The enrolment deadlines are 15 May 2023 (for kindergarten level) and 17 May 2023 (for primary level) respectively.**

Enquiries



6. For enquiries, please contact the Home-School Co-operation and Parent Education Section of EDB on 3698 4376.

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Details and Enrolment Methods of the Parent Education Courses:

	Parent Education Course for Parents of Kindergarten Students: New Horizons in Parent Education (Kindergarten) 2023	Parent Education Course for Parents of Primary Students: New Horizons in Parent Education (Primary Level) 2023
Course content	With regard to children at kindergarten level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Understanding their development ● Promoting their healthy, happy and balanced development ● Promoting parents' physical and psychological well-being ● Fostering home-school co-operation and communication 	With regard to children at primary level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Understanding their development ● Promoting their healthy, happy and balanced development ● Promoting parents' physical and psychological well-being ● Fostering home-school co-operation and communication
Date and time	5, 12, 19 and 26 June 2023 and 3 July 2023 (Mondays) (7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)	7, 14, 21 and 28 June 2023 and 5 July 2023 (Wednesdays) (7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)
No. of sessions	5	5
Duration of each session	2 hours	2 hours
Venue	Tsim Sha Tsui District Kai Fong Welfare Association, 136A Nathan Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon	Tsim Sha Tsui District Kai Fong Welfare Association, 136A Nathan Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
No. of participants	40	40
Target participants	Parents of kindergarten students	Parents of primary students
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face	Face-to-face
Medium of instruction	Cantonese	Cantonese
Enrolment deadline	15 May 2023 (Monday)	17 May 2023 (Wednesday)
Enrolment method	Online enrolment: Scan the QR code below to complete and submit the e-enrolment form 	Online enrolment: Scan the QR code below to complete and submit the e-enrolment form 

Remarks:

- (1) Applicants should ensure that the email address provided is accurate.
- (2) Enrolment will be processed on a first come, first served basis. Successful applicants will receive an e-mail notification.
- (3) Participants with an attendance rate of 80% or above will be awarded a certificate of attendance.
- (4) No parking space will be provided for participants at the venue.
- (5) If classes are cancelled due to inclement weather or other special reasons, make-up classes will be held on 24 June 2023 (Saturday) and/or 8 July 2023 (Saturday) from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Details will be announced separately.