



Parent Workshop

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Parent Training Programme for Parents of Gifted Children

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Guest Speakers from the Hong Kong Gifted Family Association (HKGFA)



Apply Here

(For parents of non-HKAGE members, please apply on or after March 2)

Application deadline:

22 Mar 2023

12:00 n.n.

Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of a whole series of the training programme, parents should be able to:

1. Have a better understanding of the gifted attributes and needs of their gifted children;
2. Build a positive relationship with their children using appropriate methods;
3. Practise the most effective (hands-on) parenting techniques to facilitate the healthy growth of children; and
4. Build a network with parents with gifted children and support each other.



◆ Introduction

Parental engagement is important in children's growth and development. Positive effects are often observed when parents become more supportive at home and the school levels. The purpose of this series of workshops is to help parents understand giftedness and equip them with the knowledge and skills to provide proper guidance and support to their gifted children. During each session, the workshop facilitator will explore with parents practical ways of parenting, and effective communication skills that could be developed or promoted for themselves and their children.

Workshop	Topic	Workshop	Topic
1	Understanding gifted attributes and needs of gifted children	6	Motivation and Learning
2	Developing Conducive Learning Environmental and Habits	7	Taking care of children's well being
3	Nurturing Creativity	8	Relationships
4	Social Emotional Development	9	Behavioral Enhancement Training
5	Parenting Style	10	Parents' sharing from from Hong Kong Gifted Family Association(HKGFA) and Graduation Ceremony

◆ Schedule

Workshop	Date	Time	Venue
1	13 Apr 2023	Thur 6:45 pm - 8:45 pm	HKAGE
2	20 Apr 2023		
3	27 Apr 2023		
4	4 May 2023		
5	11 May 2023		
6	18 May 2023		
7	25 May 2023		
8	1 Jun 2023		
9	8 Jun 2023		
10	20 Jun 2023		

◆ Target Group

- Parents of Kindergarten, Primary and Junior Secondary Gifted Children (Priority will be given to parents of HKAGE student members)
- Capacity : 30

◆ Pre-requisite

No special prerequisites are needed

◆ Medium of Instruction

Cantonese

◆ Administrative Fee

HK\$500

◆ Certificate

Certificates will be awarded to participants who have attended at least seven lessons.

◆ Remarks

Due to limited capacity, registration will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis.



◆ Instructors Profiles

Dr Jimmy WONG has been appointed as the Executive Director of HKAGE with effect from 4 January 2021. An honouree of the Chief Executive's Commendation for Community Service in 2011 for his outstanding contribution towards the society, Dr WONG is the holder of a PhD in Semiconductor Materials Science from Imperial College, University of London and a Postgraduate Certificate of Education from the University of Hong Kong. His ample experience in STEM education has been further embodied through his capacity as the Director of the Hong Kong New Generation Cultural Association Science Innovation Centre since 2006 and a guest lecturer of STEM education to numerous tertiary education institutions in recent years.

Mr WONG Chung Po is the Associate Director of HKAGE. He obtained his bachelor's and master's degrees in the UK. He started his career as a secondary school teacher in Hong Kong. In 2003, he joined the Curriculum Development Institute as a Senior Curriculum Development Officer, responsible for school-based gifted education curriculum development and teacher professional development. During his tenure at the Education Bureau, Mr Wong has taken up professional development programmes himself in the US, Australia and the UK, learning with gifted education gurus like Prof. Joseph Renzulli, Prof. Joyce Van Tassel-Baska and Prof. Miraca Gross. He has been invited by many primary and secondary schools to deliver seminars and workshops for parents of gifted children. In 2018, Mr Wong joined the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education to take charge of the academic programme development.

Mr Kennedy LAI is the Head of Talent Development of HKAGE. After graduating from EdUHK with a Bachelor's degree in Education, he then acquired a Master's Degree in School Improvement and Leadership. Mr Lai was invited to be the guest speaker in various local universities, sharing his views on innovative teaching strategies with his frontline colleagues. Mr Lai possesses ample secondary teaching and managerial experience. He is also familiar with school disciplining and counselling, leadership and entrepreneurship training, innovative PE education and curriculum development. Prior to joining the institution, Mr Lai established Charity Organization China Hong Kong Newly Emerged Sports Association, aiming to promote Sports for All and Health for All. Since then, his organization has trained more than 3,000 professional coaches and introduced a variety of newly emerged sports from over the world to Hong Kong. Many teenage groups have benefited from his excellent management and sports promotion. His campaigns are all well-received by people from all walks of life. Lastly, being the father of three children, Mr Lai well understands the key to nurturing children. He will continue his passion for sports and talent development and cultivate more future talents in the community.

Ms Livia TANG is the Head of the School & Student Services Division of HKAGE. Livia obtained her bachelor's degree in Canada and her master's degree in Hong Kong. She also gained professional qualifications from the top local and overseas universities. Prior to working at HKAGE, Livia founded an international kindergarten and learning centre in Hong Kong. With almost 20 years of experience in the education field, she has been engaging with children from toddlers to 18 years old. Livia is also an experienced education consultant who has expertise in offering parenting and schooling advice to parents. During her tenure as a school principal in the early childhood sector and specialized learning in education centres, she has been promoting social-emotional learning and character building. Livia is immensely passionate about education and continues her contribution and focuses her work and researching topics, knowledge and skills relate to affective education and parent coaching.

Dr Richard LAU is a Member of Register of Clinical Psychologists accredited by Department of Health. He obtained his honour bachelor's degree in psychology in the UK, his honour master's degree in clinical psychology in Australia, his PhD in clinical psychology in the US, and his PhD in counselling in Australia. He is also an associate fellow and registered clinical psychologist of the Hong Kong Psychological Society, and a certified clinical hypnotherapist of the Professional Board of Hypnotherapy, Inc. For about ten years, he worked as a senior clinical psychologist or the services director in various NGO and private psychological centres in Hong Kong. He also taught full-time and part-time in various local and overseas universities as assistant professor and visiting professor for almost seventeen years, Dr LAU has developed many training programmes for the gifted population and their parents over these years.

Hong Kong Gifted Family Association (HKGFAE) was established in 1996, it is a charitable institution which aims to actively promote parent education through professional and community collaboration; promoting family harmony and gifted education through diverse activities, and thus help gifted students to show their talents and promote their physical and mental health.