



Parent Workshop

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# Parent Training Programme for Parents of Gifted Children

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The United Christian Nethersole Community Health Service – 'Jockey Club Sleep Well Project' (UCN-JCSW)

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



**Apply Here**

(For parents of non-HKAGE members, please apply on or after February 1)

15 Feb 2024 12:00 n.n.

**Application deadline extended to**

**19 Feb 2024**

**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 of 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 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 giftedness	7	Social & Emotional Development
2	Parenting style	8	Relationships
3	Developing Conducive Learning Environmental and Habits	9	Effective LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® Approach to Promote Children's Creativity
4	How to talk to a gifted child?	10	Mental wellbeing of parents
5	Nurturing Creativity	11	Behavioral Enhancement Training
6	Motivation and Learning	12	Parents' sharing from from Hong Kong Gifted Family Association(HKGFA) and Graduation Ceremony

## ◆ Schedule

\*No lesson on 28 Mar and 4 April due to the Easter holiday

Workshop	Date	Time	Venue
1	29 Feb 2024		
2	7 Mar 2024		
3	14 Mar 2024		
4	21 Mar 2024		
5	11 Apr 2024		
6	18 Apr 2024	Thur	HKAGE
7	25 Apr 2024		
8	2 May 2024		
9	9 May 2024		
10	16 May 2024		
11	23 May 2024		
12	30 May 2024		

## ◆ Target Group

- Parents of Kindergarten, Primary and Junior Secondary Gifted Children (Priority will be given to parents of HKAGE student members)
- Capacity : 35

## ◆ Pre-requisite

No special prerequisites are needed

## ◆ Medium of Instruction

Cantonese

## ◆ Administrative Fee

HK\$600

## ◆ Certificate

Certificates will be awarded to participants who have attended at least ten 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 Marius CHOW** is the Head of Talent Development of HKAGE. Marius is a people-centric and transformation-focused Talent Development professional with 20+ years of experience in driving gifted education, STEAM education, Future Skills strategies, and Tech Startup Entrepreneurship for sustainable growth across quangos, universities, NGOs and international firms. Marius is a Registered Social Worker and Honorary Advisor (Talent Development) of the Hong Kong Student Aid Society. He holds a Master of Social Science from the University of Hong Kong and is a certified LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® Facilitator.

**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 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, character 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.

**Ms Tinsley Du** obtained a master's degree of social sciences in counselling psychology from the Hong Kong Shue Yan University, and she is a Registered Counselling Psychologist of The Hong Kong Psychological Society Limited (HKPS). Tinsley worked as Counsellor in local schools and as Service Officer and Counselling Psychologist in NGO. She supported students with various psychological and educational needs, and offered counselling, psychotherapy, whole person development service for them. She also offered counselling, psychotherapy, and conducted talks and workshops for parents, teachers, and the public of different ages including children, teenagers, and adults.



## ◆ Instructors Profiles

**Mr Eric TSANG** is a filmmaker and writer from Hong Kong, who has created and scripted several acclaimed shorts and documentaries. His first full-length film, "Hong Kong Family" (2022), is a moving and realistic depiction of a troubled family trying to bond over a winter solstice meal, highlighting the importance of communication within the family through the film. The film was showcased at the Busan International Film Festival, the Hong Kong Asian Film Festival, the Taipei Golden Horse Film Festival, and other prestigious venues. It also earned rave reviews from critics and viewers and won the Audience Choice Award at the Hong Kong Asian Film Festival. Through his film, it is evident that Mr Tsang has a delicate understanding of the relationships between family members, which helps the audience reflect on their own family relationships, allowing parents and children to reconsider their interactions with each other from different perspectives, thereby better supporting each other's growth.

**The United Christian Nethersole Community Health Service - 'Jockey Club Sleep Well Project' (UCN-JCSW)** is designed to enlighten the public on strategies to improve and maintain healthy sleep. UCN-JCSW provides free, convenient and personalized treatment for the public, ensuring that individuals with sleep disturbances receive prompt and suitable support.

**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.