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Press Invitation

Education Seminar Series (13) by Faculty of Education, HKU "How to Develop Children's Bilingual Proficiency in Hong Kong?"

The Faculty of Education, in support of the University's drive to strengthen knowledge exchange, one of the three strategic themes of the University's Strategic Development, takes the initiative in knowledge sharing with the public by organizing a series of education seminars for parents. The past seminars on Mathematics, English, Liberal Studies, Information Technology, sending children abroad, the use of voice, creativity, private tutoring, parent-school partnership, early childhood education and social media held since 2010 received enthusiastic response.

Our Faculty is going to organize the 13th seminar on "How to Develop Children's Bilingual Proficiency in Hong Kong?" in April 2016. In the seminar, Professor Tse Shek Kam, Honorary Director of the Centre for Advancement of Chinese Language Education and Research (CACLER) of the Faculty, will talk about how to develop bilingual proficiency of children in Hong Kong with teachers and parents.

Hong Kong is a multilingual society. Students studying in Hong Kong are required to master multiple languages simultaneously, including spoken language: Cantonese, Putonghua, English; written language: English and Standardized Modern Chinese. Many teachers and parents are querying how to learn language effectively under "bi- and tri-lingualism". Professor Tse will introduce some cases on how to develop children's bilingual proficiency (English and Chinese). He will also introduce how kindergartens and primary schools in other areas develop children's bilingual proficiency. After the talk, Professor Tse will invite participating teachers and parents to share their successful experience in developing children's bilingual proficiency.

Media representatives are cordially invited to the seminar and details are as follows:

Date: April 2, 2016 (Saturday)
Time: 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Venue: Room 1, Library Extension Building (LE1), The University of Hong Kong

Language: Cantonese

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