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Letter to Parents: 125/2017 (P1 and P2 Students)

Through: The Principal

Dear Fathers,

Dads for Life - Importance of Fathers

The traditional role of fathers was that of a breadwinner. Work pressures or time constraints as a result of work meant that fathers did not have the same opportunities to interact with children as much as the mothers who tend to play the role of nurturing and caring for the needs of the children. However, our Singapore society has changed. This necessarily means that the roles played by both parents have also changed in Singapore.

Mr Jason Wong spent over 23 years in the civil service, having held positions such as the Deputy Director cum Chief of Staff of the Prisons Service, CEO of SCORE (Singapore Corporation of Rehabilitative Enterprises), and Senior Director working with at-risk children and youth at the Ministry of Social and Family Development. He initiated the Yellow Ribbon Project in 2004, and the Dads for Life movement in 2009. Jason currently volunteers as a Director with Centre for Fathering, as well as board chairman of Focus on the Family. Jason is married with a 21 year old daughter and a 16 year old son.

Research shows that children do better academically, emotionally, psychologically, and socially when fathers are involved in their lives. Jason will be sharing with fathers of Northland Primary what international research says about fathers. Fathers will walk away with practical fathering tips that can help them strengthen their bond and relationship with their children. This talk is for fathers; and mothers, yet to be fathers, as well as anyone interested in fatherhood are welcome to attend the talk.

The following captures the details of the sharing session:

Date: 31 October 2017
Time : 7.15pm -9.30pm
Venue: PAL Room
Guest Speaker: Mr Jason Wong, Founder of Dads For Life

Please indicate your interest in attending in this talk by registering online at <http://tinyurl.com/Talk-Importance-of-Dads> by **26 October 2017**. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 96858096 or cheong_siew_lan_pauline@moe.edu.sg should you have any enquiries.

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