

## Highlights of MOE Work Plan Seminar 2014

At MOE's [Work Plan Seminar \(WPS\)](#) this year, Minister for Education, Mr Heng Swee Keat, spoke on the theme "[Growing Our Teachers, Building Our Nation](#)". Here are some highlights:

- [A new online resource for teachers and students](#)

From 2016 onwards, teachers and students can look forward to an enriched teaching and learning experience with the quality resources from MOE HQ, teachers and other sources on the Student Learning Space portal.

- [More professional support for teachers](#)

MOE will introduce a course to develop the skills of teacher-mentors, so that these experienced teachers can better guide and advise fellow teachers. In addition, senior educators and specialists from MOE and the National Institute of Education will explore new and better ways of teaching, and encourage teachers to share and learn from one another.

For more highlights, please click [here](#).

Thank you for working closely with your schools to build a vibrant school community together, where children can learn and grow. We are grateful for your continued support for schools and teachers, and hope that you will continue to reach out to other parents so that more parents can contribute to the school community for our children's learning. As Mr Heng said in his speech: "Because when parents respect and take care of our teachers, our teachers can teach better."

## Secondary School Open Houses

The dates of the open houses in secondary schools are now available on the **Parents in Education mobile application!** Using the calendar function of the app, you may now find out the **dates, timings and venues of various schools' Open Houses**, and even sync the calendar to your smartphone.

The Parents in Education app is free for download on the [Apple App store](#) and [Google Play store](#), so download it now!

## Parent Support Group (PSG) Conferences in November 2014 @ Ai Tong School & Tampines Primary School

Were you at the [inaugural PSG Conference](#) in April 2014? By popular demand, the event is back, this time to be held at 2 schools! Invite your parents to register at one of the following PSG Conferences where they can learn strategies to better support other parents and your school. The details of the Conferences are:

	PSG Conferences	
Date	1 Nov (Sat)	8 Nov (Sat)
Time	9.00 am – 12:30 pm	9.00 am – 12:30 pm
Venue	Ai Tong School 4300 Ang Mo Kio Ave 5 Singapore 569869	Tampines Primary School 250 Tampines Street 12 Singapore 529426

Programme	Session 1: “Strengthening PSGs in Schools” Session 2: “Leveraging Social Media to reach out to Parents” Session 3: “Strategies to Promote Fathers’ Involvement in Schools”	
Registration	Click <a href="#">here</a> for PSG Conference @ Ai Tong School  <i>(no password needed)</i>	Click <a href="#">here</a> for PSG Conference @ Tampines Primary School  <b>Password</b> : EZPSGTPS0811
Enquiries	Email to <a href="mailto:psgconference@aitongpsg.org">psgconference@aitongpsg.org</a>	Email to <a href="mailto:kuek_mei_mei_esther@moe.edu.sg">kuek_mei_mei_esther@moe.edu.sg</a>

This popular and free conference is open to all PSG leaders & members, as well as parents who work with schools on programmes and activities that support our children’s learning in schools. As seats are limited, do register early to avoid disappointment!

## **Examinations**

The year-end examinations may sometimes create pressure that are overwhelming to your child. You can help them develop healthy ways to cope with stress and solve everyday problems. For some bite-size tips on identifying signs and symptoms of stress and what you could do to support your child, click [here](#).

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