



# Communication Update

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Dear Parent/Guardian

## INVITATION TO MOE ExCEL FEST 2006

We are grateful to MOE for yet another opportunity for integration with MOE Mainstream Team. All Pathlight students, parents and teachers are invited to participate in MOE ExCEL Fest 2006 on Saturday 8 July.

With the recent innovation in teaching processes in schools, MOE ExCEL Fest is an excellent platform for us to discover how we can play an inspiring and integral part in our children's education. It is also a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the latest practices that are being used to engage children in their learning.

The theme for this year's MOE ExCEL Fest is *Touching Hearts, Engaging Minds*. The event will be decentralised to 22 venues islandwide. It is open to the general public on Saturday, 8 July.

There will be 3 main activity hot spots in each of the hosting venues - Talks for Parents, Classroom Experience and the Innovation and Enterprise (I&E) Exhibitions.

(i) Talks for Parents

Delivered by education and child experts,  
Offers useful information – from effective learning strategies and how to manage your child's emotional development, to tips on choosing the right school.

(ii) Classroom Experience sessions

Sit through 'live' lessons conducted by experienced teachers. Discover the teaching strategies behind the lessons, and come prepared with questions for the teacher!

(iii) I&E Exhibitions

A showcase of schools' innovative projects – striking demonstrations of how your children are being prepared to be lifelong learners and accomplished citizens of the future.

You are cordially invited to register and participate in the ExCEL Fest. For more details and to register, log on to [www.moe.gov.sg/excelfest/2006](http://www.moe.gov.sg/excelfest/2006) or call the ExCEL Fest hotline at 6879 5970 during office hours.

Please find attached a sample of the courses you would find available at the website. Also please note that registration closes on 5 July. We hope you would join us and have an enjoyable, enlightening and educational time at the event. We look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely

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Ms Loy Sheau Mei, Track 2, Head  
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All teachers

## LIST OF SOME OF THE SESSIONS AT MOE EXCEL FEST 2006

Teaching Children to Read Through Phonics
Using Cooperative Learning Structures in Paragraph Writing Lesson
Learning English the Fun Way
Strategies for Coping with Reading Skills
PALS (Purposeful Activities at Learning Stations) Beyond the Classroom
Composition Writing Step by Step (CoWs Step)
Using E-Learning to Enhance Lesson on Earthquakes and Volcanoes
How to Raise Children without Raising your Blood Pressure
Bullies – A Child's Nightmare at School
Understanding and Communicating with My Teenager
Parent-Child Bonding
Understanding Learning Styles
Choosing the Right Course for Your Career – Courses at the Polytechnic
"A Mind Set to Manage Stress"
My Special Child Entering School
"Is Your Child Prepared for Primary One?"
How to Raise a Responsible Child
Safe Use of the Internet
School Is A Happy Place For Your Child
Don't Just Study Hard, Study Smart!
How The Brain Learns
The Dating Game
Helping Your Child Breeze Through Exams!
How to Help My Child Cope Better in School
The Learning Brain – Maximising Learning
Climbing to the Top – Helping Your Child Succeed in Life
Positive Discipline
Mentoring Teenagers in the Internet Age

Homework Without Tears
Primary School Selection for your Child's Education
Listening and Talking to your Child
Learning Science Outdoors
Help Your Child Get Better Grades by Understanding Their Learning Styles
Electricity Around the School
Introduction and Integration of Life Sciences into the Lower Secondary Curriculum
Strategies to Help Your Child in Science
At Home with Science
Discover the Wonders of Science through Experiential Learning
Let's Explore The World of Animals
Fun with Chemistry
"See the Forces in Action" ... Teaching Science using Real Life Experiences
MEGA: A Multi-Disciplinary Inquiry-based Science Learning (Lesson on Electricity)
Learning Science The Fun Way – Using Dataloggers as IT tools
Make Math Alive At Home
Experiencing Mathematics - From Home to School
Be Dazzled With Math
Number Sequencing and Problem-solving
How to be Effective Math Coaches at Home
Math Is Fun!
I Love M&M (Mathematics And Magic)!
Coaching Your Children in Solving Mathematics Problems Sums
Learning Mathematics Creatively through Mind-Mapping and Reflection
Amazing Beadz- Combining the Teaching of Mathematics and Art
Fun with Tessellation through Mathematics and Arts
Just A Number Game!
How Can Parenting Help Your Child Improve in Mathematics?