"Enhance Curriculum Leadership, Promote Curriculum Initiatives" Education Bureau School-based Support Services (SBSS) (2025/26)

Learning Community for Primary School English Language Teacher Leaders: Incorporating Values Education into the English Language Curriculum

On-line application code: P7



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Section providing the Support Service

School-based Curriculum Development (Primary) Section, Education Bureau

Sample 1 Support

1 to 2 English Language curriculum leaders from each primary school, such as panel chairpersons and deputy panel chairpersons

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English Language Education Key Learning Area

Meeting arrangement

Selected Tuesday afternoon (Approximately 8-10 meetings)

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* The support service lasts for one year.

Modes of Support

→ We aim to enhance **curriculum leadership** through the following modes of support:

Thematic sharing sessions

Cross-school exchange and sharing

On-site visits/meetings
(in response to students'
abilities and needs)

Collaborative lesson planning

Cross-school lesson observation

Cluster gatherings



Please note that the Learning Community will normally meet on **selected Tuesday afternoons starting from September 2025** on a regular basis.

Objectives

- → Enhance curriculum leadership and professional level of teacher team in participating schools through the train-the-trainer approach and with a focus on curriculum leadership
- → Promote cross-school professional exchanges for curriculum leaders to jointly discuss the concerns and corresponding strategies for incorporating values education into the English Language curriculum so as to foster students' development of positive values, attitudes and behaviours

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- → To strengthen values education and students' development of language skills by building professional capacity to adopt diversified strategies that ensure the balanced integration of cognition, affection, and action
- → To support curriculum leaders in optimising the curriculum through strategic planning, implementation, continuous monitoring, and evidence-based evaluation
- → To foster a collegial culture of knowledge co-construction, transfer, and pedagogical reflection
- → To enhance curriculum planning and pedagogical design



Stages of Support

Kick-off meeting

Support officers and members getting ready for the Learning Community through reviewing curriculum documents and experience sharing

Thematic sharing

Support officers and members delving into various domains of values education and exploring strategies for development

School-based support

Support officers offering on-site visits, with emphasis on understanding schools' contexts and needs and identifying support foci

Thematic sharing

Support officers sharing school practices on promoting values education through the integration of cognition, affection and action

School-based support

Support officers supporting members in setting up a strategic plan (covering objectives, resource allocation, the timeline, and strategies for implementation)

Cluster gatherings

Members putting the plan into practice and sharing their progress regularly (focusing on material development, peer/cross-school lesson observation, evaluation and review)

Year-end sharing

Members conceptualising experience and disseminating good practices

Our Experience: Incorporating values education into the curriculum

Example: Incorporating health education into a thematic module

KS2 P.4 Module: Hobbies (My favourite activities)

Positive Values & Attitudes: Open-mindedness & Perseverance

1. Conduct modular planning

2. Create a meaningful context

3. Engage students in purposeful learning tasks

4. Conduct evaluation to inform future planning

- Set learning objectives embodying:
- language forms and communicative functions;
- language skills and language development strategies;
- positive values and attitudes; and
- -generic skills.
- Design and sequence learning tasks inside and outside the classroom
- Explore cross-curricular collaboration

 Guide students through the focus question:

'How can hobbies improve our wellbeing?'

 Organise Hobby Exploration Week

- Read and discuss a multimodal text to understand how having different types of hobbies is tied to wellbeing
- Reflect on and brainstorm ways to improve their wellbeing through healthy hobbies
- Conduct research on a new hobby one decides to pick up and persevere in
- Participate in activities in Hobby Exploration Week to gain diversified learning experiences
- Write and share about the experience in trying out the new hobby over a week

- Analyse student work and review learning and teaching effectiveness to determine if students have achieved the learning objectives
- Refine teaching strategies and design
- Prepare a new round of planning

Our Experience: Incorporating values education into the curriculum

Integration of cognition, affection and action

- Decide upon and try the chosen hobby for one week during Hobby Exploration Week
- Reflect on, write about and share the experience and the impact on their wellbeing

To put target values and attitudes into practice (**Action**)

- Brainstorm whether and how their existing hobbies are maintaining, boosting and/or harming their wellbeing
- Explore how open-mindedness and commitment are an important part of leading a healthy lifestyle through research and reflection

To nurture and deepen identification with the target values and attitudes (**Affection**)

- Read an infographic (multimodal in nature) and discuss how having healthy hobbies is important to one's wellbeing
- Reflect on the importance of trying out a new hobby and committing to it over a period of time

To enhance students' understanding of the target values and attitudes (**Cognition**)

Our Expectations

We would like to...

facilitate crossschool collaboration collaborate with curriculum leaders & teachers in response to curriculum initiatives

enhance curriculum leadership and inspire teachers with pedagogical insights

facilitate crosscurricular collaboration between/among KLAs/subjects

support schools for long-term and sustainable development

We would like schools to...

provide administrative support in releasing participating teachers to attend all meetings share experience and resources with teachers from other schools such as work plans, learning and teaching materials, and student work observe strictly legal obligations and, in all cases, comply with the Copyright Ordinance in developing learning and teaching materials

*The copyright of these materials will be jointly owned by the Education Bureau and the relevant schools. The Education Bureau also reserves the right to compile and modify these materials for educational promotion purposes.

Q1: What are the differences between "On-site Support Service" and "Learning Community Service"?

A: "On-site support" involves assistance provided at a school by an officer. Focusing on the support and development foci, the officer collaborates with teachers in developing the school's curriculum and following up students' learning effectiveness through regular meetings, collaborative lesson planning and lesson observation. Cross-school professional development activities will also be organised, providing opportunities for teachers to exchange learning and teaching ideas as well as experience.

In contrast, "Learning Community" (LC) serves as a platform where curriculum leaders exchange ideas, collaborate and reflect with each other. LC members are curriculum leaders from different schools. With a view to promoting cross-school collaboration, reflection on experiences and resource sharing, members are provided with the opportunities to share and exchange ideas on common areas of interest or concern. Members' curriculum leadership would be enhanced and they would be equipped with effective learning and teaching strategies through collective exploration on various curriculum initiatives.

Q2: Other than the curriculum initiatives, such as values education stated in the theme of the Learning Community, can we work on other initiatives?

A: In addition to the curriculum initiatives stated in the theme of the Learning Community, teachers have the flexibility to work on other initiatives as well. While the theme of the learning community provides a focused area of collaboration and learning, it does not limit teachers from exploring and engaging in other related initiatives. The intention is to foster an environment of integrated and holistic professional development, where teachers can leverage their expertise and interests to contribute to various initiatives alongside the theme.

Q3: What are the roles and contributions of the teachers joining the Learning Community?

A: The Learning Community fosters an environment of active participation and knowledge co-construction. Members are expected to engage in in-depth discussions on curriculum planning and collaborate with their peers to exchange ideas and insights, contributing to the collective growth and development of the community. Additionally, members are encouraged to actively participate in cross-school activities organised. These activities provide opportunities for networking, sharing experiences, and gaining valuable perspectives from curriculum leaders in different schools.

Q4: What can the participants gain from joining the Learning Community?

- A: Through the collaborative nature of the community, members can tap into each other's strengths, promote knowledge co-construction, and engage in knowledge sharing. As a result, participants have the opportunity to:
- Gain insights and a better understanding of issues related to the focused curriculum initiative
- Access curriculum plans, learning and teaching materials as well as resources developed by schools within the community
- Broaden their horizons in terms of promoting learning and reading across the curriculum as well as healthy lifestyles by exchanging ideas and sharing experiences
- Establish connections with other curriculum leaders to foster continuous professional development

Enquiry Hotline / Email

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Points to Note on Application (1)

✓ Schools may apply for a maximum of two SBSS. To promote curriculum initiatives, kindergartens and schools may additionally apply for "recommended services" including (i) "Mainland–Hong Kong Teachers Exchange and Collaboration Programme", (ii) support services for kindergartens/schools admitting NCS children/students, and (iii) "Learning Community for Primary School Master/Mistress (Curriculum Development) [PSM(CD)]: Promoting Curriculum Initiatives and Developing Curriculum Leadership". For details, please refer to Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 7/2025 or scan the following QR code to browse the SBSS website to obtain details and the latest information on the support programmes.



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http://www.edb.gov.hk/sbss

✓ Interested schools may apply for the Learning Community for Primary School English Language Teacher Leaders: Incorporating Values Education into the English Language Curriculum (Online Application Code: P7) via the Common Log-on System (CLO) starting **from 8 to 30** April 2025.

Points to Note on Application (2)

✓ Schools may apply for the support services via the Online Application System (OAS) for SBSS, which can be accessed through the CLO (http://clo.edb.gov.hk/). For enquiry:

Enquiry	Technical support on CLO	Technical support on SBSS
Contact section/unit	CLO Helpdesk	SBPS Section
Contact person	CLO Helpdesk	Mr Sam LAI
Telephone	3464 0592	2152 3604

✓ Results of the allocation will be announced on 13 June 2025.



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