

FORUM ON PARENTS AND SCHOOLING

Tuesday, 29 September 2026
Della & Seng Gee Guild Hall, Level 1
NUSS Kent Ridge Guild House

PROGRAMME

12.00 noon – 12.40 pm

Registration and Lunch

(Participants to be seated in Guild Hall by 12.35 pm.)

12.40 pm – 1.00 pm

Welcome Address and Presentation of Key Findings on Parents' Attitudes Towards Education in Singapore

Dr Mathew Mathews
Head, Social Lab and
Principal Research Fellow
Institute of Policy Studies

1.00 pm – 2.15 pm

Session 1: Discussion on Survey Findings — “Parents and Schooling in 2026: Broader Aspirations, Persistent Stakes”

Moderator

Professor Aaron Maniam
Deputy Director
Institute of Policy Studies
and
Professor in Practice
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy

Panellists

Dr Mathew Mathews

Dr Quah Saw Han
Principal Clinical Psychologist and
Senior Assistant Director
Community Psychology Hub Ltd

Mrs Sher-li Torrey
Founder
Mums@Work Singapore

Associate Professor Intan Azura Mokhtar
Associate Vice Provost (Community-Engaged Learning)
Singapore Institute of Technology

Question-and-Answer Session

2.15 pm – 2.30 pm

Break

(Participants to proceed to their respective Breakout Rooms for the Breakout Session.)

2.30 pm – 4.00 pm

Session 2: Breakout Session

Education Conversations: From Findings to Possibilities

Participants will take part in facilitated table discussion to reflect on the survey findings and what they mean for the education landscape in Singapore.

4.00 pm – 4.30 pm

Break

(Breakout session concluded. Participants to proceed to Della & Seng Gee Guild Hall foyer for tea break.)

4.30 pm – 5.00 pm

Closing Remarks

Mr David Neo
Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and
Second Minister for Education

5.00 pm

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