"Let's Realise Our Children's Dream" - Committee on Home-School Co-operation's 25th Annual Symposium cum Prize Presentation Ceremony

The following is released for the Committee on Home-School Co-operation:

The Committee on Home-School Co-operation (CHSC) held the 25th Anniversary Symposium cum Prize Presentation Ceremony today (June 23). With the theme of "Let's Realise Our Children's Dream" the event was aimed at promoting home-school co-operation by encouraging parents to communicate, listen and understand the views of their children.

Officiating at the ceremony, the Under Secretary for Education, Dr Choi Yuk-lin, presented certificates of appreciation to the Federations of Parent-Teacher Associations (FPTAs) of 18 districts in recognition of their contribution to home-school co-operation. The current Chairman of the SHC, Mr Henry Tong, and past chairpersons also attended the symposium. Keynote speakers included the first Chairman of the CSHC, Dr Tik Chi-yuen, as well as artist Sunny Chan and his wife. They shared their experience in promoting parent education and nurturing children.

The Government attaches great importance to parent education. To further enhance the support of parent education, the Education Bureau (EDB) launched the website "Smart Parent Net" (www.parent.edu.hk) in early 2018 to enable parents to easily access useful information from different stakeholders and Government departments on supporting the physical and mental development of children.

The content of "Smart Parent Net" is updated regularly. Parents who are concerned about their children's development should not miss recent video clips including "Children are always happy and laughing, Parental relationship is the most important" in which the Head of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry of Queen Mary Hospital, Dr Phyllis Chan, shares her professional knowledge; and also "Not to physically punish and not to scold! Raising good children!", in which Mr Kay Ho, an early childhood education instructor, and Mr Ernest Lee, a clinical psychotherapist, share their experience on children's discipline and parents' emotional management.

In addition, to raise the awareness of parents, schools and the public on parent education, the EDB earlier organised the "Listen to Our Hearts" video production contest. Through video clips, students express what they think with a view to enhancing parent-child communication and understanding. The champion video clip of the secondary school section, "Dream of a Young Soccer Player", and that of the primary school section, "Talking Doll" have also been uploaded to "Smart Parent Net" for browsing.