



Press Invitation

Sharing the achievements and insight of “JC A-Connect: Jockey Club Autism Support Network”

In view of the increasing number of students with ASD in Hong Kong's mainstream primary and secondary schools, The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust initiated the "JC A-Connect: Jockey Club Autism Support Network" (JC A-Connect) in 2015. This Programme involves cross-sectoral collaboration to help enhance support for children with ASD at home, school, and community through an innovative service model. The Programme also aims to strengthen the expertise development of teachers and service providers for the sustainable development of ASD support services in Hong Kong. Since 2015, JC A-Connect has supported more than 5,000 students in 425 local mainstream primary and secondary schools, assisted 30,000 parents and enhanced the capacity of 15,000 professionals.

To catalyse social inclusion amid the increasing trend of students with ASD diagnosed, The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust will continue to support JC A-Connect in the next three years with another HK\$243 million. Project partners include the Education Bureau, Faculty of Social Sciences of The University of Hong Kong, Caritas - Hong Kong, Heep Hong Society, Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited, Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association, New Life Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association, SAHK, The Salvation Army, and Tung Wah Group of Hospitals.

A launch ceremony will be held to share the achievements, and key features of the Programme. Representatives of principals and NGOs will also share the positive impact. **Media representatives are invited to join the event, details are as follows:**

Date: July 9, 2018 (Monday)
Time: 3:00pm - 3:45pm (Registration starts at 2:30pm)
Venue: Lecture Hall II, Lee Shau Kee Lecture Centre, Centennial Campus (Map)
Rundown: Speeches

- Professor Paul K H Tam
Acting President and Vice-Chancellor, The University of Hong Kong
- Mr Leong Cheung
Executive Director, Charities and Community, The Hong Kong Jockey Club
- Mr Kevin Yeung Yun-hung, JP
Secretary for Education, Education Bureau, HKSAR

Launch Ceremony
Sharing of Achievements & Insights

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