

### From the Headmaster's Desk

"I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection." ~ Sigmund Freud

"That is the thankless position of the father in the family — the provider for all, and the enemy of all." ~ J. August Strindberg

Dear parents,

We are celebrating Father's Day on the third Sunday of this month, but our society, like most others, has been a bit 'unfair' to fathers. While flower prices skyrocket, Mother's Day's collections outsell all other items in shops, and restaurants get fully booked on Mother's Day, the celebrations for Father's Day remain much more lukewarm and subdued.

Understandably, many fathers would empathize with August Strindberg, the renowned American writer of the 19th century, that while being the provider, the father is the enemy of everyone in the family. But why would a provider become the enemy of everyone in the family? Why would his loved ones turn their backs on someone who toils to make them live comfortably? Does it mean that material provision isn't the key to love and respect?

For centuries in countries where male chauvinism prevailed, men would assume the role of a provider in the family. Most men learnt the men code from their fathers that men had to work hard, bear all the pain but never show it to the family. This mentality hasn't really changed when the two genders have become more equal over the past few decades during which women have also become more active in the workforce. An archetype father works long hours, talks little at home and resorts to electronic games, drinks or fun times with friends to release work stress.

On the other hand, women, working or not, are often expected to be the nurturer in the family. Generally more affectionate and vocal than the father, a typical mother spends more time playing and talking with her children than a father does. She may tutor her children on their schoolwork and arrange their extra-curricular classes and activities. I can attest to it as at E-Smart, I always meet the parent or guardian after assessing the English ability of a new student, and most of the time, I meet the mother rather than the father.

Conceivably, while a child may quietly look up to her father who works hard to provide for the family, she will definitely become closer to the one who spends time talking and playing with her. However, as a child grows, parents often find themselves less of a nurturer or a disciplinarian and become more a mentor and guide for their children until they are fully grown and live on their own. The strong emotional support a child gets from the parents will make her feel secure to seek advice from both parents when faced with life choices and difficulties. While a child may prefer the mother for consultation on relationship issues, research has shown

that the father is often the choice for advice on decisions about studies and careers.

Indeed, fathers of modern times may have a lot to catch up on becoming more affectionate and expressive of their love so that their kids can become emotionally strong and confident, a quality far more important for success in life than being well-endowed. On the other hand, the mother, the nurturer of the family, should constantly acknowledge the contributions of the father and help her kids to love and respect their provider, which will in turn foster their love for the mother.

Yours sincerely,



Clive Chan

### Stars of the Month

Au Ming Hin, Steve	GWF2B Sat 2:00-3:00
Chan Min Zhi, Anna	IEK6B Sat 12:00-1:00
Chan Sarah	PTWB Sat 10:00-11:00
Chan Yuen Tung, Cherry	WTE10B Sat 10:00-11:00
Cheng Ming Yan, Mila	PTWP1 Sat 12:00-1:00
Cheng Yin Dung, Aiden	GWF2A Fri 5:30-6:30
Choi Ho Chung, Ethan	WTE4A Sat 11:00-12:00
Choi Ho Lam, Jack	PTWP2 Sat 10:00-11:00
Chung Ka Ki	GWF2A Sat 1:00-2:00
Fung Nok Hei, Lucas	IEK2B Tue 4:30-5:30
Ho Tsz Yi, Yumi	GWF4B Sat 2:00-3:00
Ip Pak Yu, Cyrus	IEK4A Thu 5:30-6:30
Ji Chun Hei, Jesse	GWF1 Sat 4:00-5:00
Kan Pak Ho, Rex	IEKKA Thu 10:30-11:30
Lai Tsz Yan, Clara	GWF9A Fri 6:30-7:30
Lau Ching Sum, Venia	WTE6A Sat 11:00-12:00
Lau Huen Yu, Summy	WTE8B Sat 11:00-12:00
Lee Ho Fung, Kelvin	IEK6A Sat 11:00-12:00
Leong Wai Man, Raymond	WTE4B Sat 3:00-4:00
Leung Ho Ching, Draco	WTE4A Fri 6:30-7:30
Leung Sze Hang, Caleb	WTE2A Wed 4:30-5:30
Li Sum Yuet, Cindy	IEK4B Sat 2:00-3:00
Li Yan Yin, Yanie	IEK8B Sat 9:00-10:00
Liu Ailey Wai-Si	GWF6B Sat 3:00-4:00
Liu Yi Qi, Yuki	IEK2B Sat 1:00-2:00
Lui Hong Lam, Caitlyn	WTE4B Tue 4:30-5:30
Luk Chun Ting, Jayden	WTE2A Fri 4:30-5:30
Ma Pok Ho, Alvin	WTE2B Thu 4:30-5:30
Ng Sheung Hei, Haven	PTW3 Mon 5:30-6:30
Ng Tsz Wing, Elsa	WTE2B Sat 10:00-11:00
Shum Cheuk Wai, Hailey	PTWE1 Thu 5:30-6:30
So Ka Yu, Eunice	WTE4B Sat 10:00-11:00
So Tsz Yuet, Tina	WTE1 Sat 10:00-11:00
Wong Kai Ki, Becky	WTE2B Sat 3:00-4:00
Wong Tsz Ching, Eunice	GWF4B Tue 5:30 / WTE6B Fri 4:30
Yam Chi Him, Randy	WTE2A Sat 11:00-12:00
Yam Yuen Na, Anna	PTWR Mon 4:30-5:30
Yeung Cheuk Nam, Namson	WTE2B Fri 5:30-6:30
Yeung Chin Yau, Karina	PTWP2 Fri 5:30-6:30
Ying Siu, Elvis	IEKKA Sat 9:00-10:00

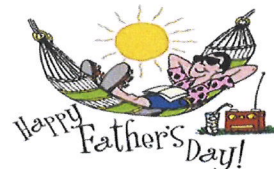
### Summer Classes 2023 – Rush!

Enrol on or before June 10 to enjoy the early bird discount.  
Don't miss out!



# Students Page

June 2023



Welcome to June and the beginning of the summer season. This is the best season to enjoy the warm weather with some delicious cold snacks that you enjoy and go to the beach. This is also the month when we celebrate Father's Day. Did you know that Father's Day was created in 1910 to give children a chance to show their fathers how important they are to them too. This is a day when children can buy presents and/or make cards for their father to say thank you. Some may also give their fathers a big hug and/or help them with house chores. How will you celebrate this day with your father this year?

~Ms Josephine

## E-SMART'S WRITERS OF JUNE:

Hayden Ng (WTE4A) – Paul

Draco Leung (WTE4A) – My Happiest Birthday

Bryan Lee (WTE4A) – A Drink Called Super

Anna Lee (WTE2A) – If I Were a Queen

Preston Shum (WTE6B) – A Diary

**Paul**

**By Hayden Ng (WTE4A)**



Paul thought that he was not good at anything. His mother tried to ask him to play sports. Paul was too sad, so he went for a walk in Kowloon Bay.

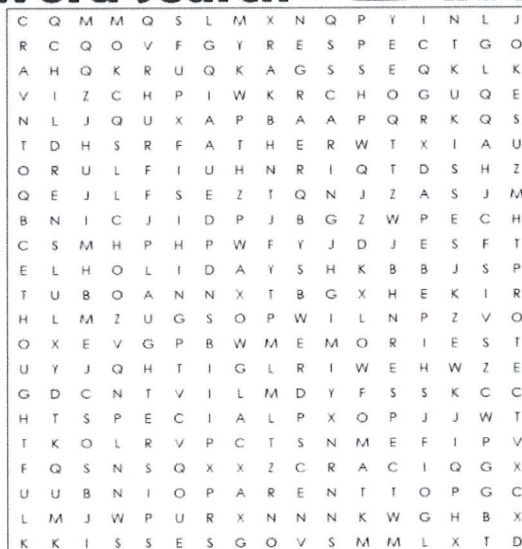
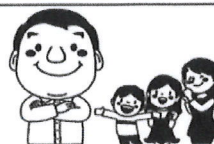
Suddenly, a ball hit on Paul's head. 'Ah - !' he said. A child came to him and said sorry. The child introduced himself as Xavier. Paul and Xavier sat on a bench and took a rest. Some children went to their seats and asked Xavier who Paul was. Xavier replied. 'He is Paul.' They asked Paul to play with them. Paul said that he was not good at playing games. They said, 'It is a good try to learn playing games.' At last, he found that he was good at running.

Paul learnt that everyone has good aspects. You have to try learning new things so that you will know your strong points.



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## Father's Day Word Search



FATHER	CARING	PARENT
FISHING	MEMORIES	RESPECT
HOLIDAY	CHILDREN	KISSES
LAUGHTER	RESPECT	JOKES
SPECIAL	PROTECT	THOUGHTFUL



## A FATHER'S DAY MAZE

help dad find the way to his kid and pick up snacks along the way

