

Share the joy of Folktaleoscope at World Book Day Fest

In celebration of World Book Day and to further promote reading in Hong Kong, the Standing Committee on Language Education and Research (SCOLAR) and the Education Bureau (EDB) will jointly present the 2019 World Book Day Fest at S.K.H. Holy Trinity Church Secondary School, Ho Man Tin on April 27 (Saturday). School heads, teachers and librarians of secondary and primary schools and kindergartens, as well as students and parents, are welcome to participate in the event.

The World Book Day Fest, an annual event co-organised by SCOLAR and EDB, aims at sustaining a reading culture in the city, nurturing students' reading interest and encouraging them to develop a reading habit from a young age.

Themed "Towards a Reading City: Folktaleoscope" this year, there will be a number of creative and inspirational game booths revolving around folktales of different cultures to allow students to discover the collective wisdom of ordinary folk.

The Fest will also feature a number of vibrant reading activities such as reading-related experience sharing and programmes for children of different ages and their parents. These activities include a sharing session on reading by young people from diverse backgrounds, "Folktales Alfresco" at which secondary school students will share their joy of reading folktales, the much-loved "Rugby-English Active Learning" activity, a poem and painting composition workshop, all kinds of fun-filled student performances, a language orienteering challenge, a book exhibition, "Book Sharing", the Pop-up Library set up by the Hong Kong Public Library of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, and much more.

Members of the public are welcome to join the Fest and share the joy of reading. Enrolment for certain programmes is on a first-come, first-served basis and can be made via SCOLAR. Details of the Fest have been uploaded onto the SCOLAR website (scolar.gov.hk).

Building on the strengths in the promotion of reading across the curriculum, SCOLAR and EDB aim to foster a sustainable atmosphere and culture of reading across the city by capitalising on the synergy of schools, parents and community partners through the World Book Day Fest.