

## **MODEL WORKER**

## Li Hong Ying

Teacher (Chinese Language) Ministry of Education

Nominated by the Singapore Chinese Teachers' Union.

Li Hong Ying has been a Chinese Language teacher with the Ministry of Education since 2003.

Her experience enables her to deliver effective, engaging, and well-paced lessons. Undaunted by the declining interest in the Chinese language subject, she demonstrates the commitment and resilience required of an educator.

Sister Hong Ying is motivated to understand students' diverse learning needs through classroom observations. Thereafter, she uses the observations to adapt her approach. She did action-based research on Primary One transition to help and uplift the weaker students. Given the early success and the positive feedback from the students, the school is keen to share the best practice at MOE's school cluster.

Recently, she led a project to promote reading, which has been implemented at the school level. She is in the process of completing her open classroom training on special needs students. Sister Hong Ying has received a compliment from a parent for helping his child advance from a slow learner to a progressive student.

To get students interested in Chinese culture, Sister Hong Ying helmed the Chinese Cultural Dance Group to provide external learning experiences. This motivated the dancers who benefited from participating in Singapore Youth Festival performances.

As a colleague, Sister Hong Ying demonstrates a strong team spirit, which contributes to a collaborative culture and supports her school towards achieving a common goal. As a professional, she has deepened her teaching knowledge and practices, often sharing the positive outcome from her practical experience and action-based research.

On the union front, she contributed an article on Primary One Interactive Oral Teaching to the Singapore Chinese Teachers' Union's Journal of Chinese Language Education. This was subsequently shared at the school level to highlight positive education strategies in Chinese Language classroom teaching. She actively upgrades herself and is a regular participant of the union's overseas learning exchange programmes.

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