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### **Father's Day Activities To Promote Greater Involvement From Fathers**

Singapore, 23 May 2024 - To celebrate Father's Day, Bapa Sepanjang Hayat (BSH) and Centre for Fathering (CFF) will be organising several exciting activities to encourage fathers to be more involved.

"BSH and CFF are dedicated to fostering meaningful relationships between fathers and their children. Fathers provide love, support, guidance, and a sense of security that are crucial for their children's development growth. They also play a unique role in shaping their children's values, beliefs, and behaviours. By providing opportunities for dads to actively participate in their children's lives, we hope to strengthen more families in Singapore," said Mr Eruandee Prayitna, Head of Engagement and Outreach, Centre for Fathering.

#### **Education forum for dads**

"Dad's Take On Education", an education forum organised by BSH and CFF seeks to create a space where fathers (and mothers) can come together to celebrate and explore the crucial role that dads play in their children's education.

This event, which takes place at Our Tampines Hub on 26 May 2024, will provide a platform for parents to share their experiences, exchange ideas, and learn from one another. By highlighting the significance of a father's involvement in their kids' educational journey, the forum aims to inspire and empower parents to actively engage in their children's learning and development.

Esteemed speakers include:

- Dr. Yaacob Ibrahim, Professor of Engineering at the Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT), holds a revered position in our community. His notable career in Singapore politics spanned 1997 to 2020.
- Mr. Fairoz Leonard D'Cruz, Education Director at Yayasan Mendaki, brings a wealth of experience in educational management from various countries like the UK, Germany, South Korea, and Singapore.
- Mr. Mohamed Khair, CEO, Chief Consultant, and Master Trainer at Suchi Success Initiatives Pte Ltd, possesses extensive experience in the professional training and coaching industry and has made significant contributions to the field.

#### **Do the K-pop dance with dad**

This June, a K-pop dance session will bring together 10 pairs of fathers and children. This special event is designed for dads whose kids are passionate about K-Pop dancing, allowing

fathers to immerse themselves in their children's world, understand their interests better, and engage with them through a shared enjoyable activity.

### **Father's Day cards to surprise dads**

Over 7,500 thousand children from the MENDAKI Tuition Scheme will be honouring their fathers or father figures with words of affirmation and appreciation through handwritten Father's Day cards.

The initiative, helmed by CFF and BSH, aims to provide an opportunity for children to show appreciation and gratitude to their fathers for their hard work, sacrifice, and unwavering support, create lifelong memories between fathers and children as well as strengthen family bonds.

Tutors will guide the students to write on the cards which would be handed back to BSH volunteers to be mailed out to the fathers a few days before Father's Day so that they can be pleasantly surprised by the messages of love and appreciation from their children.

### **About Centre for Fathering and Bapa Sepanjang Hayat**

Centre for Fathering is a non-profit organisation founded in 2000 to promote active and involved fathering in Singapore. The organisation turns the hearts of fathers and children towards each other by inspiring and activating fathers to strengthen families. We activate men and women to become effective fathers and mothers for their children.

Bapa Sepanjang Hayat is Dads for Life in vernacular and is a fathering movement of the Malay/Muslim community under Centre for Fathering. It was formed in 2016 to encourage fathers in the Malay/Muslim community to be more involved fathers.

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