



# AUG Newsletter



The Statistical Report 2021 of the Child Protection Registry published by Social Welfare Department registered 1,367 new child protection cases between January and December 2021, marking a sharp increase of 45.4% from figures in the previous year. We believe that the long-lasting anti-epidemic measures inevitably affecting the mental health of families, the resumption of half-day face-to-face teaching in schools making it easier to identify child abuse, and the sexual crimes generated from social network platforms all played a part in the increase. The most common type of newly registered cases was physical abuse, accounting for 43.4%, followed by sexual abuse 32.8%, and child neglect 20.1%. In recent years, the number of child neglect abusers with heavy/chronic drug abuse was increasing, and the age of neglected children was mostly age 0 to 2 years. All these are highly worrying. On the whole, 65.7% of the child abuse cases were associated with abusers as contributing factors. Among the risk factors, lack of child rearing and parenting skills was the most common, followed by emotional/psychological problems and marital problems. Most abusers were parents but quite a large number of abusers in sexual abuse cases were schoolmates and friends of the abused, followed by unrelated persons. Among them, the number of male sexual abusers aged 16 or below had increased. The above data showed that the Government needs to: 1) tackle the link between corporal punishment and physical abuse and legislate for a total ban of corporal punishment; 2) strengthen promotion and public education to equip parents with knowledge and skills in child rearing and positive parenting; 3) formulate measures to early identify families in crisis to provide support, especially with marital problems, caregiver substance use, emotional or mental disturbances; 4) crack down on online sexual crimes, and pay attention to the use of internet and social media by children and compensated dating; 5) revise guidelines to implement comprehensive sex education; 6) allocate resources to enhance preventive projects that support families with newborns.

Ms Leung, one of the participants in the "Good Mothers Course" organised by our Tuen Mun Centre, and her family were interviewed

in an earlier TV program "Big Big Old World 2". Ms Leung shared what she had learned from the course over 30 years ago. The objective of the "Good Mothers Course" (our current "Good Parents Course") is to provide knowledge and skills in positive parenting and to promote parent-child relationship. The course has been held for 35 years. We have walked with many parents facing challenges, and are most delighted to see them apply what they have learned. We hope Ms Leung's sharing benefit more parents, and the seeds of child-care continue to effect positive outcome for every family.



The ACA Child Protection Institute has organised various courses for professionals, parents and children, and assists organisations drawing up internal child protection policies. We also provide staff training for various organisations. Our course prospectus booklet 2022-23 has been sent to kindergartens, primary schools and social welfare organisations. For course contents, please visit the link ([www.aca.org.hk/cpi.htm](http://www.aca.org.hk/cpi.htm)).

We held a team building programme in June. In one of the activities, colleagues divided into three groups used adult-form blocks to envisage their expectation of the future of the Agency; that it provides warmth of a home, safety, care and happiness for the growth of children. Child protection work is challenging and requires a firm belief and a sense of mission. I am

very grateful for the effort of our colleagues and the support from the Executive Committee when the Agency moves forward.

Our Flag Day in the New Territories held on 30 July was very successful. In addition to the active participation of thousands of volunteers and the efforts of our Executive Committee Members and staff members, we also thank Mr Seto Wai Ping, a local illustrator for his design of the posters, flags and certificates. We also thank the various organisations for their assistance with our flag stations. We hope that the general public will continue to support the work of protecting children.

**Donna Wong**  
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# Summary of Major Activities for April to June 2022

Month	Project/Title	Activity
April to May	Joyful Kids Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Board Game Group on 6 and 13 April</li> <li>• Orientation Meeting on 30 April</li> <li>• Making Herbarium Activity on 7 May</li> </ul>
April to June	Kids' Dream	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular Meeting on 8 April, 6 May and 2 June</li> <li>• Hong Kong Ocean Park 2022 on 21 May</li> </ul>
	Child Protection Institute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Protection Professional Training Workshop on 6, 13, 14, 20, 22, 23, 29 April, 6, 10, 13, 16 and 17 May</li> <li>• Parent Talk on Building a Harmonious Relationship with Children Through Play on 9 April</li> <li>• Parent-Child Group of Picture Book Reading Journey with Kids in 240 Minutes on 15, 18, 22, 25 April, 15, 20, 22 and 27 June</li> <li>• Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse Certificate Course on 20 May</li> <li>• Parent Workshop               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Expressive Art Stress Self-healing on 11 and 18 June</li> <li>2. Stop Using Corporal Punishment and Positive Parenting on 22 June</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	Healthy Start Home Visiting Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cheer Up Workshop on 20, 27 April, 11 and 25 May</li> <li>• Child Rearing Lesson for New Parents (Class 2) on 28 May and 4 June</li> <li>• Parent-child Play Group on 8, 15, 22 and 29 June</li> <li>• Child Rearing Lesson for New Parents (Class 3) on 25 June</li> </ul>
	Child Abuse Treatment Corner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Batterer Intervention Therapeutic Group for Parents X (Session 6) on 7 April</li> <li>• Stress Management Group for Parents with Depressive Features XII (Sessions 4-8) on 11, 25 April, 16, 23 and 30 May</li> <li>• Zoom Party on 13 April and 6 May</li> <li>• Batterer Intervention Therapeutic Group for Parents XI (Sessions 1-8) on 19, 25 April, 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 May and 7 June</li> <li>• Volunteer Training on 12 and 19 May</li> <li>• Booth for Project Promotion on 18 May and 28 June</li> <li>• Parent-child Activity               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hong Kong Ocean Park 2022 on 21 May</li> <li>2. Bamboo Generations on 25 June</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Positive Parenting Training Course II on 26 May and 2 June</li> <li>• Service Promotion on 14 and 16 June</li> <li>• Batterer Intervention Therapeutic Group for Parents XII (Session 1-3) on 14, 21 and 29 June</li> </ul>
	Give Children the Best Start Home Visiting Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family Activity               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Build-A-Bear Workshop on 28, 29 April, 23 and 24 May</li> <li>2. Hong Kong Ocean Park on 21 May</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Volunteer Training on 7, 14 May, 24 and 30 June</li> <li>• Booth for Project Promotion 16 and 23 June</li> </ul>
	Good Parents' Networking Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Self-care Workshop for Parents on 6, 8 and 12 April</li> <li>• Deep Relax and Stress Release Group on 18, 25 May, 1, 8, 15 and 21 June</li> <li>• Hong Kong Ocean Park 2022 on 21 May</li> <li>• Tea Mindfulness Workshop on 23 May</li> <li>• Leisure Corner - Parent Handcrafts Workshop on 31 May</li> <li>• Parent-child No-bake Fruit Tart Making Workshop on 21 June</li> <li>• Parent Positive Education Class on 29 June</li> </ul>
	Chuk Yuen Centre Family Corner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Love • Cohesion" Parent-child Drawing Competition from 8 to 30 April</li> <li>• DIY Parents Group on 26 April, 3, 11, 17, 24 May and 1 June</li> <li>• Committee Gathering on 26 April, 31 May and 28 June</li> </ul>

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April to June	Chuk Yuen Centre Family Corner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DIY Kids Group on 27 April, 4, 11, 18, 25 May and 1 June</li> <li>• Good Parent Leadership Training Programme on 20, 27 May, 10, 16, 23 and 30 June</li> <li>• Hong Kong Ocean Park 2022 on 21 May</li> <li>• Balloon Twisting Parent Group on 2, 6, 9 and 13 June</li> </ul>
	Tuen Mun Centre Family Corner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent-child Reading Group - Non-violent Communication on 4, 7, 11 and 15 April</li> <li>• On Air Programme - Cheering Up for a New Day on 7, 14, 21, 28 April, 5, 19 and 26 May</li> <li>• Fun Toys DIY Parent-child Group on 12, 19 and 26 April</li> <li>• Parent-child Reading Group - Moral Education on 25, 28 April and 1 May</li> <li>• Volunteer Recreational Programme - Stretching Exercise Experimental Class on 16 and 23 June</li> </ul>
	Parent-child Support Line	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advertising at Facebook and Instagram from 1 April to 30 June</li> <li>• Advertising at Hong Kong Commercial Broadcasting Co. Ltd. from 25 to 29 April and 13 to 17 June</li> </ul>
May to June	Bless My Home Forever Volunteer Home Visitation Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family Day in Hong Kong Ocean Park on 21 May</li> <li>• Family Sharing Forum               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. My Body on 22 June</li> <li>2. Sex Education for Children on 27 June</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Bamboo Workshop on 25 June</li> <li>• Volunteer Orientation and Training on 29 June</li> </ul>
	Daylily Project for Young/Single Mothers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family Sharing Forum               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Enjoy the Day with Their Children on 21 May</li> <li>2. Outdoor Safety on 21 May</li> <li>3. Communication and Coordination on 25 June</li> <li>4. Problem Solving on 25 June</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

## Forthcoming Events for July to September 2022

Month	Project/Title	Activity
July	Flag Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACA Flag Day in New Territories on 30 July</li> </ul>
July to August	Child Protection Institute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identification, Assessment and Intervention of Suspected Child Abuse Case Certificate Course on 8 July</li> <li>• Parent Workshop on Expressive Art Stress Self-healing on 9 and 16 July</li> <li>• Child Protection Professional Training Workshop on 12 July and 2 August</li> </ul>
July to September	Bless My Home Forever - Volunteer Home Visitation Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteer Orientation and Training on 8 July</li> <li>• Advanced Volunteer Training - Lego Play (Emotions) on 16 July</li> <li>• Family Sharing Forum               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Happiness Formula on 16 July</li> <li>2. Store Up Happiness on 16 July</li> <li>3. Get into a Rage? on 13 August</li> <li>4. Family Firefighter on 13 August</li> <li>5. Loved by You on 10 September</li> <li>6. Love Without Words on 10 September</li> <li>7. Am I a Worrywart? on 24 September</li> <li>8. Self-healing on 24 September</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

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July to September	Daylily Project for Young/Single Mothers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Sharing Forum                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Understand Emotion on 16 July</li> <li>2. Emotional Reaction on 16 July</li> <li>3. Awareness of Positive Emotion - Happiness on 27 August</li> <li>4. How to Express Happiness on 27 August</li> <li>5. Awareness of Positive Emotion - Be Loved on 3 September</li> <li>6. Love Expression on 3 September</li> <li>7. Awareness of Negative Emotion - Worry on 24 September</li> <li>8. How to Face Worry on 24 September</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	Healthy Start Home Visiting Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Talk and Baby Birthday Party on 9 July</li> <li>Good Parents Training Course on 16, 23 and 30 September</li> </ul>
	Child Abuse Treatment Corner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Batterer Intervention Therapeutic Group for Parents XII (Session 4-8) on 5, 12, 19, 26 July and 2 August</li> <li>Positive Parenting Training Course III on 6 and 13 July</li> <li>Parent Talk - Be Authoritative Parents on 8 July and 24 September</li> <li>Volunteer Training on 25 July</li> <li>Summer Parent-child Activity on 21 August</li> <li>Positive Parenting Training Course IV on 21 and 28 September</li> </ul>
	Give Children the Best Start Home Visiting Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Booth for Project Promotion on 7 July, 4 August and 8 September</li> <li>Volunteer Training on 8 and 15 July</li> <li>Parent-child Flag Day Experience on 30 July</li> <li>Parent-child Summer Party on 20 August</li> <li>Parent Education Workshop on 23 September</li> </ul>
	Good Parents' Networking Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent-child No-bake Fruit Tart Making Workshop on 4 July</li> <li>Parent Positive Education Class on 7, 14, 21 and 28 July</li> <li>Children Social Skills Training Group on 18, 25 July, 1, 8, 15 and 22 August</li> <li>Leisure Corner                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parent Handcrafts Workshop on 20 July, 24 August and 21 September</li> <li>2. Starry Kitchen on 21 July, 26 August and 23 September</li> </ol> </li> <li>Noah's Ark Family Outing on 6 and 27 August</li> </ul>
	Chuk Yuen Centre Family Corner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Relaxation Yoga Class on 14, 21, 28 July and 4 August</li> <li>Committee Gathering on 26 July, 30 August and 27 September</li> <li>Road Show on No More Spanking on 3, 17 and 24 September</li> <li>Parent-child English Online Classroom on 7, 14, 21 and 28 September</li> </ul>
	Parent-child Support Line	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advertising at Facebook and Instagram from 1 July to 30 September</li> <li>Advertising at Hong Kong Commercial Broadcasting Co. Ltd. from 11 to 15 July</li> <li>Bus Body and Seatback Advertising on KMB in September</li> </ul>
August	Tuen Mun Centre Family Corner Summer Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Floor Curling Experience Parent-child Group on 1, 8, 15 and 22 August</li> <li>We are Mirror - Children Dancing Class on 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 August</li> <li>Park Orienteering Experience Parent-child Group on 5, 12 and 19 August</li> <li>Caring Stray Dogs and Cats - Parent-child Volunteer Service Experience Group on 7, 14 and 21 August</li> </ul>
August to September	Joyful Kids Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K-pop Dancing Class on 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 August</li> <li>Group Meeting and Training on 13 August and 17 September</li> <li>Creative Handicraft Activity on 17, 24 and 31 August</li> <li>Joyful Kids Day Camp on 22 August</li> <li>City Hunt Activity on 26 August</li> </ul>





## HEART OF CHILDREN - CARTER'S | OSHKOSH B'GOSH DONATES CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

Sincere thanks to Carter's and OshKosh B'gosh for donating 700 pieces of children's clothing to our families and service users. Through the selfless dedication of kind-hearted enterprises giving back to the society, our children were happy with lovely smiles and sparkles in the hot summer.

**Pearl Lee**

Administration Manager

## "CARE FOR CHILDREN - BUILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE" 7.30 FLAG DAY IN NEW TERRITORIES REGION

**Thanks to all the online and offline volunteers for your support**

Against Child Abuse has been approved by the Social Welfare Department to organise a Flag Day in the New Territories on 30 July (Saturday). We raise funds to support child protection services, raise community awareness on child abuse prevention and provide parents with positive parenting skills, as well as to equip professionals and to provide training in their handling of child abuse cases. The flag day was successfully held and attracted over 4,000 volunteers, many of whom were parent-child volunteers.

On the day, despite the unstable weather, volunteers were on the streets to raise funds. The young volunteers were very proactive and confident. Parents wiped away off sweats of their children and encouraged them. Parents and children were involved, a great way to improve their relationship while doing good deeds.

In response to the recurrence of the pandemic, apart from recruiting "street volunteers", we also launched "online volunteers" for the first time this year. Many online volunteers responded to our appeal and invited their friends and relatives to make donations. Most of the online donations were initiated by online volunteers.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Seto Wai Ping, a local illustrator, for designing the posters, flag stickers and gold flags. His original cartoon character Happiplayground was incorporated in the design of the flag stickers, which were praised by the volunteers and the public.

We are also grateful to the following companies for providing media sponsorship to help promote the flag day, including MTR Corporation Limited, Sun Ferry Services Company Limited, the "Star" Ferry Company Limited, Economic Digest and the Sunday KISS platform, so that the public are aware the charity event through different channels.

We were pleased many organisations provided venues as our flag day stations. These included the Shatin Women's Association, the Asbury Methodist Social Service, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hong Kong, the Caritas Project Hyacinth, the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Tung Chung Integrated Services, St. Andrew's Parish, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, House of Salvage, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited and various District Offices, so that flag bags could be conveniently returned.

Last but not the least, we would like to thank the schools and organisations that participated and supported the flag-selling activity. These included Creative Kindergarten (Tsing Yi), SALEM-Immanuel Lutheran College, Christian Alliance Toi Shan H.C. Chan Primary School, Shung Tak Catholic English College, St. Anthony's Kindergarten (Belvedere Garden), Asbury Methodist Social Service, the Hiking and Leisure Volunteer Team, the Tong Lok Fun Playground and the Tuen Mun Trunk Sewers Rehabilitation Volunteer Team of Drainage Services Department. Your support empowered the volunteers such that children and families in need had benefited from it.



**Mani Chui**

Senior Funding and Promotion Officer



# The Hong Kong Jockey Club Community Project Grant - Healthy Start Home Visiting Project

Sponsored by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust

In March 2020, we started a new service - post-natal care volunteer service. We arranged certified post-natal care workers to act as volunteers to support our project families.

## Child Rearing Lesson for New Parents

We launched this programme last year. The programme aims at building up ability and confidence of parents by equipping them with knowledge and skills in child rearing before birth of their children. This includes, for example, bathing and winding babies. The programme was held in small classes. Our volunteers closely monitored the parents practicing skills coached. Here are some feedbacks:

*The post-natal care workers were warm-hearted and we have learned a lot!*

*The volunteers and social workers were willing to share. It was practical and our questions were answered promptly.*

*It allowed new parents to practice while the volunteers were willing to teach and share their experience.*

*Thanks for the social workers' arrangement. The course resolved my doubts in child rearing and reduced my stress in child birth. I am looking forward to the project activities with my baby and hope to participate actively in this project.*

## On-site Post-natal Support Service

Many young parents lack experience in child care. Even though some grandparents were eager to assist, they were less skillful as they had not cared for babies for sometime. Thus, we arranged post-natal care volunteers to conduct home visitations and to teach the parents and caretakers child care skills. The volunteers also see to the physical conditions of the mothers and provided them with post-natal self-care knowledge.

Here is the sharing from our post-natal care volunteer, Ms Wan So Chong:

*Once a newborn comes to the family, the parents hope to give the best to their baby. From pregnancy to giving birth, parents worry if the infant has enough food and feels well. The volunteer's presence is important for new mothers. We respond to their doubts in child care and ease their stress. Much knowledge and skills of newborns could be found on internet. We need to keep learning and update ourselves.*

On behalf of ACA, I would like to express my sincere thanks to our post-natal care volunteers. Many families and newborns in our project have benefited from their generous help.

**Peter Ng**  
Project Social Worker







## CHILD PROTECTION INSTITUTE

### Parent-child Group of Picture Book Reading Journey in 240 minutes

From April to June, we created a reading group platform for parents and their children to read picture books together. Picture books served as an education medium for parents to learn how to build child-friendly family and community. Topics included prevention of physical maltreatment, psychological harm, neglect and sexual abuse. The aim was to enhance awareness of child's self-protection and parents' sense of child protection.

The group selected picture books on child protection with engaging stories, vivid characters and colourful pictures guiding children into a path of picture books. Engaging interactive games and extended activities helped deepen thematic discussion, and simultaneously facilitated parent-child communication, interaction and connection. Parents and children learned how to resolve conflicts by various ways and understand each other's feelings and needs such that intimacy was enhanced.

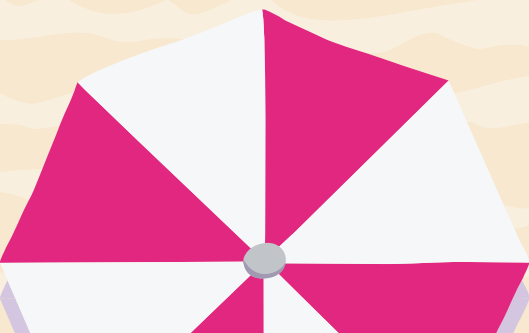


### Parent Workshop on Expressive Art Stress Self-Healing

Parents spend much time caring for their children at the expense of their own feelings and needs. Hence, we hope this clay art workshop serve the purpose for relaxation and relieve from parenting and life stresses in general. Through observing, listening, breathing, feeling and imagining, parents were able to slow down. Through clay, they could bring out their life experiences, release tensions and various inner emotions. With art creation in mind, parents experience serenity in solitude, and further connect with each other.

In addition to using clay as the medium, the workshop also guided parents to connect life experiences through games, meditation and picture book images, stimulating imagination to create pottery both individually and in groups. Making clay-food connected them back to the care they have for themselves and their families. Making and designing a clay-island together serve a venue for relaxation and stress release. They introduced island's fun features and interesting facilities to other parents and children and shared their joy in the workshop.

**Karry Lau**  
Development and Training Manager





## STAFF RETREAT: TEAM BUILDING

We held our Staff Retreat and Team-building in Kwai Chung Centre on 24 June. Dynamix Coaching and Consulting helped organise a range of team training activities for the half-day event. Communication and cohesion among colleagues were the themes for the 31 participants.

**Pearl Lee**  
Administration Manager



## DAYLILY PROJECT FOR YOUNG/ SINGLE MOTHERS

Sponsored by the Community Chest of Hong Kong

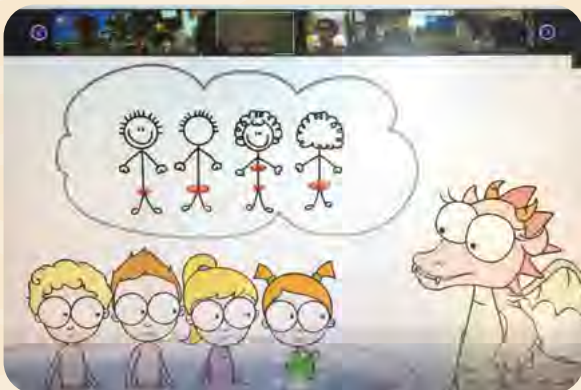
In April, our team members conducted individual interviews with volunteers to explain the project and clarify the mutual expectations.

This year, we are honoured to collaborate with the "Act of Care Project" volunteer team of the Hong Kong Red Cross to provide monthly programmes for project families, to strengthen knowledge in positive parenting and improve parent-child quality time. Parent orientation programmes on our services were held in June and July.

The "Act of Care Project" volunteers were also invited to join our bamboo scaffolding workshop on 25 June. Together with our volunteers on this memorable and pleasant day, a "Playground" was built by traditional Hong Kong bamboo scaffolding techniques.



**Terri Chu**  
Social Worker



## BLESS MY HOME FOREVER VOLUNTEER HOME VISITATION PROJECT

Sponsored by the Community Chest of Hong Kong

Many parents do not know "when" and "how" to provide sex education for their children. In fact, young children have no prejudice or qualms towards "sex", and are more open to concepts related to sex. Therefore, parents can actually start sex education at child's early ages. Several family sharing forums were held in June. Picture books on body respect and protection oneself were used. Parents have learned the skills in sex education for their children. Many said that the skills and the picture books were very useful and they are now more confident answering children's questions about sex.

**Yan Yu**  
Social Worker







## CHILD ABUSE TREATMENT CORNER

Sponsored by Fu Tak Iam Foundation Limited

We were invited to speak at a volunteer training organised by the Hong Kong Auxiliary Professional Scheme under the Christian Family Service Centre Jockey Club Golden Age Journey Project on 14 and 16 June. We introduced the Treatment Corner Home Visitation project to the volunteers and had an exchange with them. All the volunteers participated enthusiastically in the event and many showed an interest to join as home visitation volunteer. Many thanks again for the Scheme's invitation and we hope to see the volunteers in our coming volunteer training.

**Katy Lo**  
Project Social Worker



## GIVE CHILDREN THE BEST START HOME VISITING PROJECT

Sponsored by The Community Chest of Hong Kong

Thanks to the generous support from Build-A-Bear Workshop, children from our project had the opportunity to make their own teddy bears. The children chose for the teddy bears their favourite costumes, accessories and even the music in the plushies from a great variety of options. They also got to fill the cotton into their dolls under the staff's guidance by using a specific machine, and set the birth date and make a wish for their dolls, with a hope that they could grow up together healthily. A total of 16 children and their parents participated in the workshop. They all enjoyed the quality family time. The workshop also provided the opportunity for children to make their own choices, get the creative juices flowing, and learn to appreciate what they own.

**Chan Wing Yan**  
Project Social Worker



# CHUK YUEN CENTRE FAMILY CORNER

In response to the "International Spank Out Day" on 30 April every year, the Chuk Yuen Centre Family Corner held the "Love • Cohesion" Parent-child Drawing Competition. We received a total of 58 drawings. Five winning pieces were selected: The Champion (Wong Tsz Kei), 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up (Leung Wing Ho), 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up (Wong King Hei), 3<sup>rd</sup> Runner-up (Lau Cheuk Fung) and the most popular piece by parents (Yip Hoi Man). The theme of this drawing competition was "Love • Cohesion". Through drawing, participating parents and their children were encouraged to communicate openly and spend quality time together. The activity helped participants experience the joy of cooperation taking parent-child relationship to a higher and harmonious level. During the Online Awards Ceremony on 30 April, parents shared that as their children had fewer activities in the pandemic and classes were suspended, children spent more time with electronic products at the expense of communicating. This event enhanced communication, through discussion on the theme of painting, how to reflect its theme and the use of colours. The event was very successful. Parents and child participants totally enjoyed and benefited from it.

From April to June, the Chuk Yuen Centre Family Corner organised DIY Kids Group, DIY Parents Group, Hong Kong Ocean Park 2022, Balloon Twisting Parent Group, and Good Parent Leadership Training Programme. In the DIY Kids/Parents Group, parents and their children learned to devote their own effort while at the same time appreciate others' effort by making small handcrafts including dry flower key chains, Turkish mosaic lamp, clay plant and emotion notice board. Besides, parents wrote letters to their children and to themselves, hoping that they could strengthen the positive behaviour of their children and affirm their own efforts and dedication. The children also learned about different emotions and ways to solve problems. Parents thanked ACA for providing high-quality parent-child time for them.



The long-awaited "Hong Kong Ocean Park 2022" had been rescheduled repeatedly due to the pandemic. It was finally held on 21 May. The weather was fine. Altogether, 49 families (161 people) participated. The luxury buses departed from Chuk Yuen North Estate at 9:00 a.m. and headed to Hong Kong Ocean Park. Everyone had a great time. Parents appreciated the arrangement of the buses, enjoyed both the convenience and comfort. In addition, as some families had not visited the theme park for a long time, they treasured the time together very much. Many hoped ACA would organise more parent-child outdoor activities in the future.

From May to June, an online "Good Parent Leadership Training Programme" was held. The content of the programme included children's psychological needs and behaviour, the art of active listening, effective conflict handling, effective reward and punishment, children's self-discipline training and child protection. In the programme, parents shared their experience of being

with their children on weekdays, and gave examples how they would deal with their children's daily problems. Everyone learned from each other, appreciated each other, learned to handle the mood first before managing the problems. Parents found the group content useful and beneficial.

In June, the Balloon Twisting Parents Group was held. Parents learned twisting balloons and became their children's balloon-twisting tutors. Parent-child relationship was enhanced through the interaction in the activity. Besides, parents also learned about the growth and developmental needs of children and the importance of games for children through group discussion and balloon twisting. Some parents shared that their children would look forward to their parents' products and waited eagerly for their parents to teach them new twisting techniques every week. The atmosphere was rich when balloons were twisted and played with at home with lots of fun.

**May Chan**  
Social Worker







## TUEN MUN CENTRE FAMILY CORNER

### “Cheering Up for a New Day” On Air Programme and Leisure Corner

The family corner held eight online sessions on family education programmes. The topics covered a wide range of humanity activities, e.g. childhood experience, life planning, couple communication, sex education, emotion management and life and death education, etc. Apart from the speaker's sharing, the participants could express their opinions in the online questionnaires before each session and chose their favourite songs for the online broadcast. In one session, we invited

our former Service Manager of Tuen Mun Centre, Mr Joseph Wong, to share with us his views in parents' life planning session. We also arranged volunteers to share their skills such as Chinese speeches, making snacks and Zentangle. The volunteers learned new knowledges and skills with better confidence through online live broadcasting. Besides, the parents could join the classes at home. This helped relieve stress from daily lives and they could gain knowledge on a wide range of topics. We began to hold handicraft making and cooking activities in Tuen Mun Centre from June. Not having seen each other for a long time, the participants were thrilled to meet again. They shared their recent health conditions with one another. They treasured this reunion and found the gathering totally enjoying.

**Peter Ng**

Project Social Worker

## PARENT-CHILD SUPPORT LINE

### Collaborative partner: Save the Children Hong Kong

ACA Parent-child Support Line provides a channel for the public and professionals to report suspected child abuse cases or child discipline issues. We also provide phone counselling for parents and children to deal with their emotions and suggest ways to address problems. Our hotline service plays an important role in early prevention and intervention in child protection.

#### Violation of “Cap 212 Offences Against The Person Ordinance Section 27 III-treatment or neglect by those in charge of child or young person”

We have received calls from parents or caregivers inquiring about the age of a child who should not be left unattended at home. Our hotline workers noticed most of them wanted to do so because they needed to work or to deal with urgent personal matters. Upon assessment, we found out that parents were just making enquiries without it happened. The parents were strongly encouraged to seek help from relatives, friends or neighbours whom they could trust, to take care of their children without leaving them alone. In addition, community resources such as community nanny or after-school care services were also introduced to the inquiring parents.

*\* In general, infants and pre-school children should never be left unattended. For children studying in primary or secondary school, depending on their mental development, the following factors should be considered in determining whether their being left unattended at home or elsewhere constitutes neglect:*

- (a) duration, location and frequency of being left unattended;
- (b) any prior arrangements on childcare made by the parents;
- (c) whether the children left unattended can contact their parents or other adults in a position to help;
- (d) whether and how assistance is available from others; and
- (e) feelings of the children left unattended.

*\* Protecting Children from Maltreatment - Procedural Guide for Multi-disciplinary Co-operation (Revised 2020)*

**Yvonne Wai**  
Project Officer

Parent-child Support Line: **2755 1122**

Service hour: 9:00a.m. - 9:00p.m. (Monday to Friday)  
9:00a.m. - 1:00p.m. (Saturday)







## GOOD PARENTS' NETWORKING PROJECT

Collaborative partner: Save the Children Hong Kong

As school resumed in April, parents needed to start adjusting to their children's busy school and afterschool schedules. In facing various re-arrangements in the pandemic, parents sometimes feel frantic, anxious, and irritable, which are normal emotional reactions. Therefore, we held a total of six sessions of stress relieve group for parents from May. Through mindfulness breathing, potted succulent plants workshop and expressive arts activities, the parents learned to adjust their own pace and to leave a meditative space for themselves to rest, so that they are able to inject energy into their families. Our parent-child activities are also gradually returning, which enable families to build positive parent-child relationships.

**Yucca Chung**  
Project Social Worker



## JOYFUL KIDS GROUP - CHILD DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Joyful Kids is formed by a group of children aged 7 to 17 and some young volunteers. In order to facilitate the personal growth and development of children and youth, the group provides training and voluntary services for members to uplift their potential to the fullest.

Joyful Kids Group held multiple online board game groups on 6 and 13 April to train children's communication skills and teamwork. The Group also had an orientation programme on 30 April for a total of 24 children volunteers. The project social worker led different team-building activities to provide a chance for the children to know each other and learn volunteering skills.

To celebrate Mother's Day, Joyful Kids Group held a herbarium workshop on 7 May. A total of 29 children volunteers attended the activity. The children made herbariums and greeting cards as gifts. The mothers all appreciated their children's heartfelt presents.

**Vinky Lam**  
Service Manager (Tuen Mun Centre)





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- ☐ 普通會員 Ordinary Member 每年港幣一百五十元 HK\$150 per annum  
☐ 學生會員 Student Member 每年港幣五十元 HK\$50 per annum  
☐ 贊助會員 Sponsor Member 每年港幣一萬元 HK\$10,000 per annum

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