

Dear Mrs Elaine Quek, Principal of Chongzheng Primary School

I have three children—all are proud to have their primary education in your wonderful school. The years they spent in the school might be stressful, but the education, guidance and care that they received were no less than first-class. An understanding parent, I cannot ask for more.

Over the last 11 years, I have met dozens and dozens of CZ pupils—many of them have come to my house with my kids. I also went to your school quite often and was active in PaVE on and off for years. And also I know your teachers and staff. Whenever possible, I participated in your Sports Day, Mid-Autumn Festival and E-Fair events. I am well qualified to endorse that your school has achieved the mission of teaching and demonstrating to the pupils the values of integrity, self-discipline, compassion, courage and commitment in every sense!

I would like to mention another two things very special about CZ. First, it is truly multiracial and race-blind. Second, the school, teachers and staff treat each and every pupil as equal. I have observed that every child receives equal attention and opportunity to learn or do something.

Though you have been with CZ for slightly over a year, I think you have done very well, Madam. I attended the prize presentation ceremony in November 2010 and was very impressed. It was very well organized, and I could feel the abundance of enthusiasm, energy and joy in the hall.

Let me mention a few names. You have a wonderful team of admin staff—from Mr Faizan to the ever helpful Mr Patrick Tan and his frontline officers, and to the humble, dedicated Mr Lim Yue Bing.

Mdm Zubaidah once told my wife and me that my first child Huang Shirong was a ‘crying baby’, but later turned him into a top boy in her class. With the guidance of Mrs Fiona Oliveiro and others, Shirong did very well in sports and PSLE. Now he is a JC1 student at Hwa Chong.

My second child Jialin was constantly encouraged by her teachers to do better and to take up leadership role as a monitor—especially Mrs Linda Chan, during primary six. Jialin was well-liked by her friends in school and now she is a confident, committed and faithful youngster.

Mdm Leong Lai Lan and MR Seow taught my third child Jinglin during primary six and five, under whom she had made many improvements in her study and personality development. She enjoys her school days very much and treasures all her friends. I really cannot ask for more.

Over the years, at each prize presentation day, I have different wonderful memories. After seeing Jinglin performing a stunning solo at the finale of the modern dance, I told myself that all my efforts and time spent on her in the last six years had been rewarded by watching that memorable 10-seconds solo. I was so proud of her, and all the teachers as well, that my eyes were wet. It was so far my most exquisite and beautiful memory in my life!

I would like to share all my joy and fond memories over the years with all of you—principal, teachers and staff of Chongzheng—which are far beyond what I could describe here.

Thank you!

Your Sincerely
Ng Ya Ken (Father of Huang Shirong, Huang Jialin and Huang Jinglin)
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