

Reflection on Project Mingde Summer Camp 2017 (11th – 15th June, 2017)

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I have participated in the PMSA Summer Voluntary teaching camp in June 2017 and I am thankful that during this trip, I have met many students from different faculties. Also, I was deeply impressed by constructions carried out by Project Mingde in Daping.

Although the time that we had with students in Daping Primary School was limited, I was overwhelmed by their passion and curiosity in learning during voluntary teaching. I was part of the Art Team and we have planned to teach them origami in the voluntary teaching session. When we gave the students some colored papers to learn how to fold hearts, frogs and airplanes, they felt excited and curious. Besides, they treasured the colored papers that we gave them a lot. It reminds me of the luxury life that I enjoy in Hong Kong and makes me think of the importance of contentment.

At last, I would love to thank the committees from Project Mingde for organizing this program for HKU students to join and I am going to include a recommendation on how the trip can be further improved which is the days of voluntary teaching session can be extended to 3 days or more as the voluntary teaching session during this trip was a bit rush. An extended time will be encouraged as students and teachers can get more time to know each other well.

To end up, what I experienced in this trip was unforgettable and meaningful. Living in rural areas in China for few days has challenged me to think differently about the world, about what we value in life and also how every one of us is empowered to make a positive difference in the world.