

### **Studying in an EMI school is not a must**

Do you think all schools in Hong Kong should use English as the medium of instruction? Why do students in Hong Kong put so much emphasis on public examination? What would be an ideal school for us?

All band one schools in Hong Kong are using English as the medium of instruction. If all schools become EMI schools, parents would think that it is good news since they believe that it would boost their children's ability in English. However, I think that this should not happen. For students who are weak in English, studying in EMI schools might not be good news. Some students would be more stressed and unable to catch up with the others.

Students in Hong Kong put too much emphasis on public examination. Most are exam-oriented. Competitions for a university place is extremely fierce. Everyone knows that good results in the HKDSE is the prerequisite of a good career and a 'successful life'. This makes students burn the midnight oil for examinations and some end up feeling stressed and depressed. Some may even commit suicide.

The mindset is completely twisted and should be changed. An ideal school should not provide spoon-fed education. Teachers ought to know what students really need. Students hope to study and learn in a more relaxing atmosphere. So, I think that schools can consider incorporating more games in studies. People may think that this is the way how kindergarten kids learn but actually it works for all teenagers.

Schools should be a place where students enjoy their time with their friends and can learn and study together.