

MEET YOUR TEACHER!



CHEW TZE LIN

Before you start class, we thought you should know more about who will be guiding you along. Meet Ms. Chew Tze Lin. She'll hold a space for you to believe and hope again.

Ms. Chew started teaching in Siglap Secondary School. Deeply compassionate and resolute to make a difference, she helped School of Thought structure, pioneer and lead its Repeat Students Programme in 2015.

She is well-loved by students for her enthusiasm, engaging warmth and kindness. Always mindful of the weakest, her accepting attitude coupled with ambition to bring their learning to the next level helps put anxious students at ease.

Apart from academics, Ms. Chew can share much about her belief that every youth can make a difference. She believes if youth go deep to discover what they truly care for, the change they can make in the world will be tremendous and beautiful to see.

ON WHY SHE HAS CHOSEN TO TEACH:

"I teach because I believe in youths, and I believe they can do great things. After I graduated from JC, I worked as a relief teacher in Siglap Secondary School. I saw the students whom I was working with grow and bloom and win competitions just because I believed in them. That taught me that every youth, no matter their background, can succeed and be great with just a little belief and love. It's not what I did for them, but a space that I held for them, that has made the difference."

ON WHAT SHE HOPES TO HELP STUDENTS SEE ABOUT SINGAPORE:

"When I went overseas to study, I met friends from Pakistan, Uganda and Libya, and realised how easy it is for countries to fail. I would like them to see how a state with very little, managed to make the best of things. Rather than complaining about our lack, we can choose to examine our strengths and leverage upon them. I love Singapore very much. I'm so proud of this country."

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ON MAKING LEARNING AND LIFE MEANINGFUL FOR HER STUDENTS:

"I have a jar of student's notes that represents belief and hope to me. It's from our first batch of 15 repeat students who started out believing that they were failures who would amount to nothing much. Many believed that the grades they got were a representation of who they were and what they would be. It was a precious journey getting to work with them to believe in themselves again and be willing to give it another try."

If you have any questions about what you will be learning, contact Ms Chew at tzelin@school-of-thought.com