Zeng Baoyi Valedictorian Speech Naval Base Primary School → Nanyang Girls' High School [IP]



Good morning to all distinguished guests, parents, teachers and friends. To begin, I would like to thank everyone for attending KO Tuition Club's [KOTC] Annual Prize Presentation Ceremony. I am Zeng Baoyi from Naval Base Primary School, and it is an honour to be making this valedictorian speech.

We all know that time is fleeting. In a twinkling of an eye, 6 years have passed swiftly, but what happened stays vibrant. Over the past 6 years in Primary School, I have been acquiring knowledge that will no doubt be valuable as I go forward in life. Now that I am moving on to Secondary School, I have much to be thankful for, and hence over the next few minutes, I would like to take some moments to thank the people who have brought me this far.

Firstly, I would like to thank Ms. Yee and Mr. Ong. In Primary Five, my parents enrolled me into KOTC when they realized I was beginning to slack in my academics. Then, Ms. Yee taught me English - and still did in Primary Six - and thus I achieved a significant improvement in my examination results. Besides continuing English lessons with Ms. Yee, I joined Mr. Ong's Math lessons in Primary Six. Mr. Ong turned me into a Math whiz in a short period of time, allowing me to achieve A* in Maths. Both teachers made tuition classes lively and enjoyable, and at the same time they made sure I made considerable progress. Thank you!

Next, I would like to thank my parents. There had been ups and downs these six years and I am thankful that I have my parents in my corner, supporting me all the way. Thanks Mum and Dad, for all the sacrifices you have made. I would not be where I am today without you. Finally, I would like to thank my friends and school teachers. They have been a great source of encouragement during the period of PSLE. My Naval Base's teachers worked tirelessly to prepare us for PSLE, the biggest hurdle of my primary school journey. I appreciated their effort, and I would like to thank them for emboldening me. Likewise, my friends always shared jokes with me along the way as a form of encouragement. They also proved to be a great source of inspiration. Whenever I see them burying their heads in assessment books, textbooks and revision books, I feel motivated to work hard to ace PSLE as well.

Often, we look outside for heroes but I see them right here among us. I have realized that everyone can be a source of inspiration to one another by being true to ourselves and committing ourselves to our goals. Last but not least, I would like to congratulate all prize winners and I would like to leave you with a quote from Marie Curie. She said, "I was taught the way of progress in neither swift nor easy." Thank you all.