

## Ushering in an Auspicious Year of the Rooster with the Adult Educators' Community



On 3 February 2017, the Singapore Polytechnic (SP) Adult Educators' Community (AEC) held its annual Lohei-cum-Dinner at the Singapore Polytechnic Graduates' Guild (SPGG). This annual Lunar New Year gathering for adjunct lecturers is to celebrate a year of achievements and welcome a new year of promise. 2016 had been an eventful year for SP PACE Academy with more Earn-and-Learn Programmes (ELP), Post Diploma, Professional Conversion Programme (PCP) and WSQ courses being launched to support the SkillsFuture movement. It was a busy year for SP PACE Academy as it continues to endeavour to be Singapore's leading CET Academy.



### **Our surprise visitor to inaugurate the celebration!**

The dinner started with some games and riddles to liven the mood and test participants on their knowledge of the lunar new year festival. There was even a surprise visit from the Chinese God of Fortune himself!



Mr Soh Wai Wah, Principal and CEO (PCEO) of SP, in his welcome address to the gathering of over 50 guests comprising adjunct lecturers, SP staff, course chairs and coordinators expressed his gratitude for the hard work put in by them to impart knowledge and upgrade the skillset of adult learners.

Mr Soh mentioned that the relationship SP has with its adjunct lecturers is not merely a transactional one but rather a partnership where common goals are shared and achieved. He highlighted that CET initiatives through SP PACE Academy would continue to feature prominently within SP in the coming years and at the broader level represent SP in its lifelong learning initiatives. He commented that SP through SP PACE Academy will focus on providing continuous education and training for adult learners to keep their skillsets current to meet the changing labour market. He concluded his speech by reiterating that the role of an adult educator is important in contributing to the nations transformation through training and development.



### **Awaiting the step-by-step lohei instructions to Huat together!**

Yusheng or more commonly known as Lohei is a Chinese New Year traditional celebratory dish when translated means 'Tossing up good fortune'. Each ingredient within this dish has a symbolic meaning to welcome the new year with good fortune and good health.



**It was a splendid evening filled with smiles, warmth and friendship**

The event ended with everyone bringing home ingot shaped chocolates and oranges signifying good fortune. On behalf of SP PACE Academy, we thank everyone present for celebrating this special evening with us.