

Primary Department Boosts Collaboration in SY 2026–2027 Departmental Training



Grounded in its commitment to continuous professional growth, the Primary Department of Philippine School Doha (PSD) successfully conducted its Departmental Training on Tuesday, August 11, 2026.

Held at the GF-10 Grade 1 Aster Room at 8:30 AM, the seminar centered on the theme: **“Better Together: Learning from One Another, Building a Collaborative Culture through Shared Best Practices.”** The event brought together primary educators dedicated to fostering a supportive community focused on lifelong learning.



The PSD Primary Department faculty posing together during the Departmental Training for SY 2026-2027.

A Purposeful Commencement

The program commenced with a solemn Opening Prayer led by Ms. Marifloris D. Baladad, MAEd (Grade 1 Teacher), followed by the proud singing of the Qatar and Philippine National Anthems.

Ms. Maribel D. Lentejas, MAEd, the department's Reading Specialist, formally opened the event. She delivered the Welcome Remarks and clearly outlined the objectives of the training, setting an enthusiastic and professional tone for the morning. Ms. Maria Theresa R. Abunda, MEd (Grade 3 Teacher), then introduced the day's distinguished guest speaker.

Cultivating Collaboration and Teamwork

The highlight of the event was a two-part professional development session led by Dr. Cleofe P. Macaraeg, Vice Principal for Academics of the Primary Department:

- **Part 1: “Stronger Together: Fostering Collaboration and Sharing Best Practices”**
– Dr. Cleo emphasized the power of collective teacher efficacy and how sharing proven classroom strategies directly elevates student success.
- **Part 2: “From Ideas to Action: Strengthening Collaboration through Teamwork”**
– Following a short health break, this session transitioned the theoretical aspects of collaboration into concrete, executable steps for the upcoming school year.

Adding energy to the morning, Ms. Alaiza Mae D. Alferez, MEd, alongside the department's newly joined faculty members, treated the attendees to an entertaining intermission number.



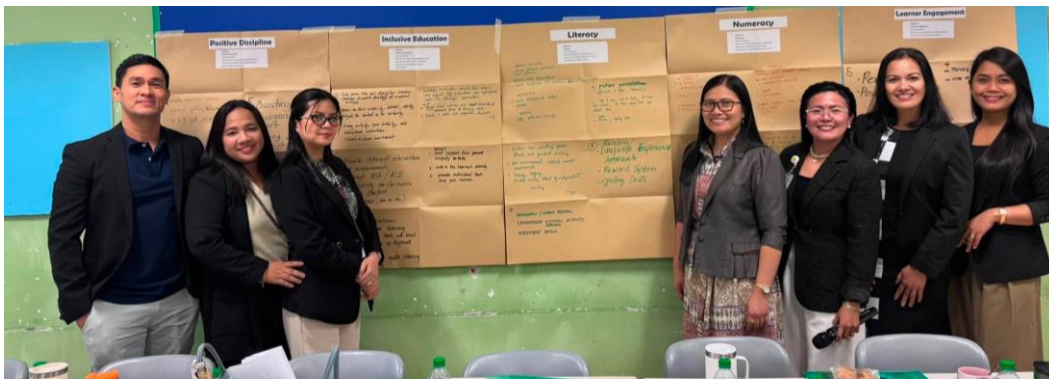
Dr. Cleofe P. Macaraeg, discusses strategies for fostering a collaborative teaching environment.

Strategic Planning and Looking Forward

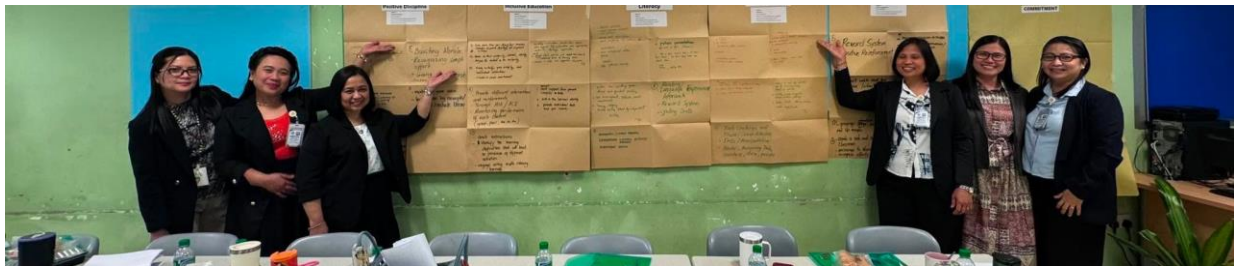
Putting their newly acquired insights into immediate practice, the teachers engaged in **Team Action Planning**. This collaborative workshop, themed “*Reflection, Commitment, and Action*,” allowed grade-level teams to map out synchronized strategies and academic goals.

As the documenter observing the session, the synergy in the room was palpable. Educators openly shared lesson strategies, broke down challenges, and unified their teaching objectives. The breakout sessions proved that collaboration is more than just working side-by-side—it is about actively elevating one another to benefit the student body.





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During the *Impressions* segment, Ms. Eden Dee A. Anore, MAEd (Grade 3 Teacher), shared a moving reflection on behalf of the faculty, expressing gratitude for the timely and relevant insights gained from the training.

The event concluded a lively department photo opportunity. Ms. Ma. Vivian B. Antonio, MAEd (Grade 3 Teacher), led the Closing Prayer, capping off a productive day of camaraderie. The entire program was guided by the Masters of Ceremony, Ms. Sheila A. Barde, MAEd, and Ms. Jocelyn Q. Peligro, MAEd.



Setting a purposeful tone for the seminar: Opening Prayer Leader Ms. Marifloris D. Baladad, MAEd (center), flanked by the Masters of Ceremony, Ms. Sheila A. Barde, MAEd (left), and Ms. Jocelyn Q. Peligro, MAEd (right).

With shared goals and strengthened bonds, the PSD Primary Department stands ready to deliver a productive, collaborative academic year for its young learners!

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