

## Appendix B. Child, Teacher and Principal Characteristics

**Table B1**

*Demographic Characteristics of the Child Participants*

Demographic characteristics	N = 18 (100%)
Child age in month (M $\pm$ SD)	65.39 $\pm$ 3.66
Child gender	
Female	13 (72.2%)
Male	5 (27.8%)
Father education	
High school and below	12 (66.7%)
Associated degree	2 (11.1%)
Bachelor degree	2 (11.1%)
Master degree and above	2 (11.1%)
Mother education	
High school and below	15 (83.3%)
Associated degree	0 (0)
Bachelor degree	3 (16.7%)
Master degree and above	0 (0)
Household income <sup>a</sup>	
Low (< HK\$20,000 per month)	5 (27.8%)
Medium (HK\$20,000-49,999 per month)	10 (55.5%)
High (> = HK\$50,000 per month)	3 (16.7%)

*Note.* The numbers in the brackets represent the percentage of the sample.

<sup>a</sup> High, medium and low household incomes are based on top quartile, middle half and bottom quartile of the Hong Kong population (Census and Statistical Department, 2021)

**Table B2***Demographic Characteristics of the Adult Participants*

Participant	Gender	Qualification	Work experience in ECE by the time of interview	Work experience at the focal kindergarten by the time of interview
Principal	Female	Bachelor's degree in ECE	36 years	20 years
Teacher 1 (T1)	Female	Bachelor's degree in special education and ECE	3 years	3 months
Teacher 2 (T2)	Female	Bachelor's degree in ECE	29 years	29 years

*Note.* ECE = Early Childhood Education