

NOTICE

Outbreak of Upper Respiratory Tract Infection (URTI)12th May, 2023

Dear Parents,

Since April 30, 17 students and 3 staff of **Class 1B and 1C** of our school have developed symptoms of upper respiratory tract infection. The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health has provided preventive advice against URTI to the school, such as advising the school to arrange cleaning and disinfection, to open windows where appropriate for better ventilation and to separate affected students from other students, etc. The school has been placed under medical surveillance **until May 16**. During this period, the school will take the following special measures:

- (1) 1B and 1C students and the relevant staff must wear surgical masks on the school campus;
- (2) The school will use 1:49 bleach to disinfect 1B and 1C classrooms every day, as well as the school bus that the students take;
- (3) 1B and 1C students are not allowed to use special rooms, storybooks, toys and drinking fountains. Parents are required to prepare enough drinking water for their children every day; and
- (4) 1B and 1C students will not be able to participate in the Saturday interest classes and learning support activities on May 13.

The school reminds all teachers, students and parents should maintain good personal and environmental hygiene against influenza and other respiratory illnesses, and note the following:

- Receive seasonal influenza vaccination for personal protection;
- Surgical masks can prevent transmission of respiratory viruses from ill persons. It is essential for persons who are symptomatic (even if having mild symptoms) to wear a surgical mask;
- For high-risk persons (e.g. persons with underlying medical conditions or persons who are immunocompromised), wear a surgical mask when taking public transport or staying in crowded places. It is important to wear a mask properly, including performing hand hygiene before wearing and after removing a mask;
- Avoid touching one's eyes, mouth and nose;
- Wash hands with liquid soap and water properly whenever possibly contaminated;
- When hands are not visibly soiled, clean them with 70 to 80 per cent alcohol-based handrub;
- Cover the nose and mouth with tissue paper when sneezing or coughing. Dispose of soiled tissue paper properly into a lidded rubbish bin, and wash hands thoroughly afterwards;
- Maintain good indoor ventilation;
- When having respiratory symptoms, wear a surgical mask, refrain from work or attending classes at school, avoid going to crowded places and seek medical advice promptly; and
- Maintain a balanced diet, exercise regularly and take adequate rest.

For any enquiries, please call the school at 2450 2270 to contact class teacher. The school will notify students and parents as soon as possible if there is any latest progress. Wish the affected students and their families a speedy recovery.

Yours sincerely,



Ko Tak Yin
Headmistress

Reply Slip

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Dear Headmistress,

I acknowledge the above notice on the Outbreak of Upper Respiratory Tract Infection. I will pay close attention to my child's health.

Parent's Signature: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Student's Name: _____ Class: _____

Date: _____