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To: Parents / Guardians,

Measures in Guarding Against Human Swine Influenza

With the commencement of the new school year, the school has carried out necessary preventive and administrative measures in guarding against human swine influenza. The school has paid attention to the everyday absentees and phoned parents to keep track of any outbreak of communicable diseases. Besides checking students' temperature record, we have random check on students' temperature every day. We also used the 1:49 bleach to clean and disinfect the school premises every day after school.

On 7th September, a parent informed school that his child was confirmed of having contracted HS1, and the child was recommended to stay at home for seven days by the Centre for Health Protection (CHP), Department of Health. Since no outbreak of HS1 was found in school, the Department of Health did not recommend any school suspension. School has made central announcement to students about the case and reminded them to stay vigilant. Now the student has fully recovered and was recommended to resume school on 14th September by the CHP.

Last week, on 10th September, Thursday, 4 absentees from 6C developed symptoms of respiratory tract infection such as fever, headache and sore throat. On Friday, one more student was absent for having fever in 6C. The school has reported to the Department of Health and was advised to keep close monitoring of the situation. Three of the 6C absentees resumed school today. In the mean time, school suspension is not necessary. For effective implementation of control measures against communicable diseases, the school would approach individual parents for their consent to the release of related information to CHP. If school considers that an increasing trend of influenza infected cases may warrant class suspension, before arriving at such decision, school

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would consult CHP and confirm the situation with the Education Bureau before notifying parents of the related arrangements.

To provide maximum protection for students and prevent the spread of HSI in the school, parents are advised to maintain a hygienic household, and co-operate with us by reminding sick children to stay at home until symptoms have improved and fever has subsided. Then, take rest for at least 2 more days before returning to school.

The school will try our best to minimize the spread of the diseases so that students can learn in a safe and hygienic environment and we will keep parents well informed of the situation in school. For details about the advices and guidelines from the EDB and daily updates from the CHP, Department of Health, parents can browse the following websites:

<http://www.edb.gov.hk>

EDB homepage>School Administration>Administration>Prevention of Flu & Other Communicable Diseases in Schools>1. Prevention of Human Swine Influenza>Guidelines

<http://www.chp.gov.hk/>

CHP homepage>Important>Human Swine Influenza>Figures Updates> Daily Update on Human Swine Influenza

Best regards!

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Headmistress

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