

Tuen Mun Catholic Secondary School 2023-2024 School Circular Issue No. 3 (Suitable for F.1 students)

16th September, 2023

Dear parents and guardians,

School clubs, Application of Student Subsidy, Ordering winter school uniforms, the day after National Day and Student Union Election, Lunch Gatherings run by BBS and F.1 Homework Classes

Please refer to the following items:

# 1. School clubs

The club activities will officially begin on 25<sup>th</sup> September (Day 6, Monday). In order to maintain good communication with parents and cultivate a responsible learning attitude among students, any students who are eligible to participate in extracurricular activities but fail to attend club gatherings or events without requesting leave from their club consultant teachers will be notified through the e-App. This is to keep parents informed about their child's learning progress and encourage students to actively participate in club activities.

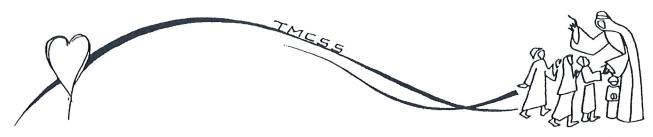
Parents are reminded to pay attention to announcements made on eClass or during morning assembly regarding club membership approval. Some clubs may require interviews, so please stay updated on the activity details.

# 2. Application of Student Subsidy

Starting from the academic year 2023/24, the Education Bureau will implement electronic application for student subsidies in government schools and schools under the Direct Subsidy Scheme. To cater to the needs of different parents, besides submitting electronic applications, parents can still submit completed paper application forms to the school. However, each eligible student can only submit one application either electronically or in paper format.

Parents/guardians (referred to as applicants) can submit electronic applications for student subsidies for students studying in government schools or schools under the Direct Subsidy Scheme. Applicants must have a "iAM Smart+" account with digital signature functionality, and log in directly to the "Student Subsidy Electronic Application" online service through the "iAM Smart+" application. The link below is for logging in to the electronic application platform to submit electronic applications. Link to the Student Subsidy Electronic Application Platform: https://stgsesweb.edb.gov.hk/ For more details on registering for "iAM Smart+", applicants can visit the dedicated website: https://www.iamsmart.gov.hk.





The electronic platform was launched at 6:00 am on September 14, 2023, and will be closed after 11:59 pm on October 2, 2023. The Education Bureau will notify applicants of the progress and related matters of their applications through SMS and/or email. Applicants can also view their application progress and use other functions on the electronic platform, such as updating or modifying data as required by the Education Bureau, and uploading supplementary documents.

Our school will distribute paper application forms to students on October 3, 2023, through class teachers (except for parents who have already submitted electronic applications).

# 3. Ordering winter school uniforms

Victoriauniform and Wa Fung Uniform Company will be at the school on September 23rd (Saturday) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to take measurements and orders for winter school uniforms. The "Winter School Uniform Order Form" will be uploaded to eClass for reference later. Students who order winter school uniforms can pick them up in the Lower Hall on October 25th (Wednesday) from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. or collect them directly from the uniform companies' stores. Please note that it takes time for tailoring, so parents are advised to prepare winter uniforms for their children as early as possible.

The school has always emphasized the importance of students' appearance in school uniforms, requiring them to be "neat, elegant, and appropriate." In response to cold weather, if the temperature in the city is 12 degrees Celsius or below, or when the Observatory issues a cold weather warning, female students may wear flesh-colored stockings with black knee-high socks (covering the calves), or black woolen tights, or charcoal gray trousers as part of the school uniform. The styles of female trousers for school uniform have been displayed on the rainy day playground. If there are any inquiries, please contact the class teacher.

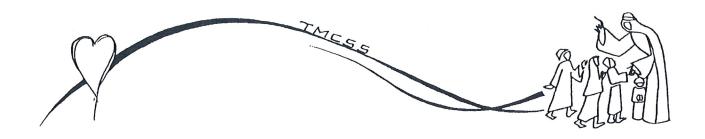
# 4. The day after National Day

October 2nd (Monday) is a make-up holiday for National Day. Students do not need to come to school for classes.

#### 5. Student Union Election

Student Union Election Forum will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> September (Day 5, Thursday) during the assembly in the Junior from all assembly, and on 25<sup>th</sup> September (Day 6, Monday) during the assembly in the Senior from hall assembly.





On October 5<sup>th</sup> (Day 6), during the 7th and 8th periods, the Student Union election will take place, and students will vote in the hall under the guidance of the staff. The Student Union is elected by students through a one-person, one-vote system and represents the students as a bridge of communication between the students and the school.

### 6. Lunch Gatherings run by BBS

Lunch Gatherings is one of the adaptation activities for Form 1 students in our school, led by our student leaders. The purpose is to familiarize students with the surrounding community environment and facilities. The specific arrangements are as follows:

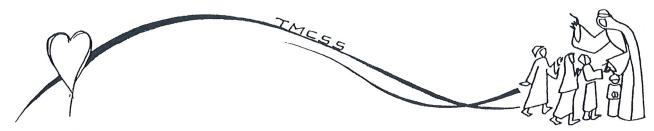
Date: 1A (26/9), 1B (27/9), 1C (3/10), 1D (4/10) Time: 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

#### Arrangements:

- i. Student leaders will consult with classmates and pre-order takeout meals for them.
- ii. Student leaders and classmates will together go to the respective shops to collect the meals.
- iii. Student leaders and classmates will have the meal together at Youth Space (under Shun Sang House), organized by The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups, and participate in group activities.

We hope that parents will agree to let their children participate in this activity, as it will allow them to explore the community, enhance their relationships with classmates, and adapt to secondary school life.





# 7. F.1 Homework classes

To help Form 1 students consolidate their learning and establish good study habits before the first formal test, homework classes will be provided. This will offer students an opportunity to do their homework and revise their lessons. Students are required to stay in the classroom for self-study with the supervision of our teachers after school from 4:05 pm to 5:05 pm on 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October (Thursdays).

Should you have any	further questions, please contact	the class teachers.	
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