

The issue of student's strikes in response to the revision of the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance

Dear Parents,

In response to recent demonstrations and follow-ups arising from the amendment of the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance in Hong Kong, our school advocates respect towards one another though students may respond differently on the caption. However, the school is a place for students to study where teachers should uphold professionalism in their own position and make every effort to take care of their students. Therefore, our teachers will go to class and teach as usual so that normal schooling can be free from any interference.

According to the special notice issued by the Education Bureau, students should express their views in appropriate manners. They should not participate in strikes or even take part in any illegal activities with risks or violence. Therefore, parents will need to submit a written consent to the school to address and agree that they allow their children to go on strike on normal school days. On the other hand, students must apply for a leave and submit a parents' letter to the school in accordance with the standard procedure. The class teacher will contact the parents to verify and gain a thorough understanding of the situation. It is hereby notified that students may be considered as playing truant if they fail to apply for a leave abiding by the school rules.

Some students may have emotional problems and worries due to this incident and the School Counselling Team will provide support and assistance at all times. Moreover, students are encouraged to express their feelings and thoughts to the social workers whenever needed. Parents are advised to pay more attention to their children who intend to take part in any strikes, illegal assemblies or activities. Parents should be confronted with inclusiveness whenever they discuss with their children about the subject matter. In addition, parents should also be aware of any emotional changes of their children from time to time. Please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or anyone in the school for further assistance.

Yours Sincerely,

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Principal