

## The Latest Arrangement of the Anti-epidemic Measures in Schools

Dear Parents,

The Government has fully lifted the compulsory mask-wearing requirement starting from 1 March 2023. All school staff, teachers, students and visitors are no longer required to wear masks in school premises.

Wearing masks can effectively reduce the risk of viral transmission and at the same time, protect the wearer and other persons. If students have fever or respiratory symptoms, they should wear well-fitted surgical masks according to the CHP's recommendations. They should not go to school and should avoid going to crowded environments. They should seek medical advice as soon as possible. If necessary, parents can arrange your children to wear masks.

With effect from 1 March 2023, secondary school students are no longer required to undergo Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) on every school day before going to school. However, parents are required to ensure that their children have taken their body temperatures before returning to school, and to bring the "Record Sheet for Body Temperature" signed by parents. When students return to school every day, school will monitor their body temperature upon entry to the school premises in order to identify students who are having fever. If students developed symptoms (e.g. fever and cough), they should seek medical advice as soon as possible, should not go to school, and should undergo self-arranged RAT. For students with positive test results, they should inform their schools immediately.

With mask mandate in place for so long, some students may feel uncomfortable or even anxious when they are told to take off their masks. The Education Bureau has prepared some advice for parents, to help students gradually adapt to new living habits and stay positive upon resumption of normal school life.

The link for the advice to parents on New Mask-wearing Arrangements:

https://mentalhealth.edb.gov.hk/en/promotion-at-the-universal-level/promotional-resources-for-scho ols/97.html

For the arrangements thereafter, EDB will review the situation and make timely announcement. Should you have any enquiries, please contact Mr. Tsoi Kwok Wing, our Vice Principal at 2471 2622.

Please sign the electronic circular by 9/3/2023. Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Chan Ka Fa

(Principal)