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EDB announces arrangements related to No. 5 alarm fire in Tai Po

The Education Bureau (EDB) expressed deep sorrow and concerns over the No. 5 alarm fire at Wang Fuk Court in Tai Po today (November 26). It is making all-out efforts to follow up on the needs of various stakeholders and provide appropriate support.

An EDB spokesman said that, immediately after the incident, the EDB had contacted the school heads associations in Tai Po and schools near Wang Fuk Court, and sent educational psychologists and officers from the Tai Po District School Development Section to the temporary shelters at the Fu Shin Community Hall and Good House in Tai Po to offer appropriate support for affected students.

As affected by the fire and obstructed traffic due to road blockages, schools including CCC Fung Leung Kit Memorial Secondary School, Tai Po Baptist Public School, S.K.H. Yuen Chen Maun Chen Primary School, Ling Liang Church M H Lau Secondary School, H.K. & Kowloon Kaifong Women's Association Sun Fong Chung College and Po Leung Kuk Tin Ka Ping Millennium Primary School will suspend classes tomorrow (November 27). In addition, individual schools that need to suspend classes due to actual circumstances may make such a decision after obtaining consent from the incorporated management committee or the school management committee according to the established mechanism and notifying the Tai Po District School Development Section of the EDB. The schools should also inform their stakeholders of such decision immediately. Regarding class suspension arrangements, parents are advised to pay attention to the latest announcements of the EDB and schools.

Tomorrow is the registration date for Primary One Discretionary Places. The EDB will request relevant schools to contact affected parents and make appropriate arrangements on the registration procedures for their children allocated a Primary One Discretionary Place.

The EDB urges schools and school personnel in the district to pay attention to students' emotions and provide necessary support for students in need. Educational psychologists and officers of the Tai Po District School Development Section of the EDB will maintain close contact with the schools and continue to provide them with necessary assistance.

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