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From : Secretary for Education To : Heads of Primary and Secondary

Schools

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Distribution of Learning and Teaching Materials by Curriculum Development Institute (March 2024)

(Note: This circular memorandum should be read by heads of all primary and secondary schools)

Summary

The purpose of this circular memorandum is to inform heads of primary and secondary schools about the distribution of learning and teaching materials by Curriculum Development Institute, Education Bureau, and the related arrangements. Materials to be distributed in this issue are:

- 《書法學習課程》 (Chinese version only);
- Cheer Up Videos and Instant Messaging Stickers for Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination;
- Campaign on "Promoting Positive Values and Attitudes through English Sayings of Wisdom 2023/24" A poster on "Unlock the Power of Love and Growth from A to Z";
- An Animation Series on the Creative Use of English;
- "Little Seedling Tells You" Series (National Geography, Chinese History), Learning and Teaching tips in Primary Humanities: Enquiry Learning, I am growing up, My Home Country, and Overview of Primary Humanities Learning Foci (Chinese version only);
- "Chinese Civilisation National Education and National Security Education Learning and Teaching Resources" (Primary) (Issue No.2) (Chinese Version Only);
- NET Scheme News Issue 45 on "Get Booked: Fostering a Love of Reading and Learning";
- 《大哉言數系列(一):幾何作圖新篇》 (Chinese version only);
- BAFS Learning and Teaching Resources Kit Elective Part (A01-A04 & M01-M05)
 (Chinese version) (Updated in 2023); and
- Learning and Teaching Resource Lists.

Details

2. Learning and teaching materials to be distributed in March 2024-

a) For primary schools:

	Key Learning Area/ Subject/ Cross Key Learning Areas	Title	For the attention /action of	Remarks	Annex
(i)	Chinese Language Education	《書法學習課程》 (Chinese version only)	School Heads, Chinese Language Panel Chairpersons and Teachers	-	1
(ii)	English Language Education	Campaign on "Promoting Positive Values and Attitudes through English Sayings of Wisdom 2023/24" • A poster on "Unlock the Power of Love and	School Heads, English Language Panel Chairpersons and English Teachers	Not applicable to ESF schools and International schools	3
		Growth from A to Z"			
(iii)	General Studies / Primary Humanities	"Little Seedling Tells You" Series (National Geography, Chinese History), Learning and Teaching tips in Primary Humanities: Enquiry Learning, I am growing up, My Home Country, and Overview of Primary Humanities Learning Foci (Chinese version only)	General Studies Panel Heads and Teachers	Not applicable to ESF schools and International schools (Please see footnote ¹)	5
(iv)	Moral, Civic and National Education	"Chinese Civilisation - National Education and National Security Education Learning and Teaching Resources" (Primary) (Issue No.2) (Chinese version only)		Not applicable to ESF Schools and International schools (Please see footnote ²)	6

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¹ Recommended for reference by the Co-ordinators/ Teachers in charge of CBLE Ambassadors.

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	Key Learning Area/ Subject/ Cross Key Learning Areas	Title	For the attention /action of	Remarks	Annex
(v)	English Language Education	Issue 45 on "Get Booked:	Panel Chairpersons and Teachers,	Not applicable to ESF schools and International schools	7

b) For secondary schools:

	Key Learning Area/ Subject/ Cross Key Learning Areas	Title	For the attention /action of	Remarks	Annex
(i)	Values Education	Cheer Up Videos and Instant Messaging Stickers for Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination	School Heads, Careers Master/Mistress	Not applicable to ESF schools and International schools	2
(ii)	English Language Education	Campaign on "Promoting Positive Values and Attitudes through English Sayings of Wisdom 2023/24" • A poster on "Unlock the Power of Love and Growth from A to Z"	School Heads, English Language Panel Chairpersons and English Teachers	Not applicable to ESF schools and International schools	3
(iii)	English Language Education	An Animation Series on the Creative Use of English	School Heads, English Language Panel Chairpersons and English Teachers	Not applicable to ESF schools and International schools	4
(iv)	English Language Education	NET Scheme News Issue 45 on "Get Booked: Fostering a Love of Reading and Learning"	School Heads, English Language Panel Chairpersons and Teachers, including Native-speaking English Teachers (NETs)	Not applicable to ESF schools and International schools	7

	Key Learning	Title	For the attention	Remarks	Annex
	Area/ Subject/ Cross		/action of		
	Key Learning Areas				
(v)	Mathematics	《大哉言數系列		Not applicable to	8
	Education	(一):幾何作圖新篇》	Mathematics	Special schools	
		(Chinese version only)		and International schools	
(vi)	Technology	BAFS Learning and	School Heads,	Not applicable to	9
	Education / Business,	Teaching Resources	Technology	ESF schools and	
	Accounting and	Kit – Elective Part	Education Key	International	
	Financial Studies	(A01-A04 &	Learning Area	schools	
		M01-M05) (Chinese	Co-ordinators,		
		version) (Updated in	Panel Chairperson		
		2023)	and Teachers of		
			Business,		
			Accounting and		
			Financial Studies		

- 3. Please refer to the respective Annexes for the detailed information. We shall forward the items at Annexes 3, 7 and 8 by post to schools within three weeks from the issue of this circular memorandum.
- 4. In addition, Curriculum Development Institute continues to develop diversified learning and teaching resources relating to different Key Learning Areas / subjects / curriculum areas for teachers' reference. The details are available on the "Learning and Teaching Resources of Curriculum Development Institute" webpage. (https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/learning-teaching-resource-list.pdf)
- 5. The EDB Educational Multimedia (EDB EMM) (https://emm.edcity.hk) online platform also provides kindergarten, primary and secondary students and teachers with various types of multimedia resources including short videos, animations, nursery rhymes, e-books, interactive games, picture books, etc.

 Schools are encouraged to make flexible use of them and design learning and teaching activities to promote students' self-directed learning and enrich their learning experience. In addition, short videos with Chinese and English subtitles will gradually be available on the EDB Educational Multimedia platform to further support language learning.

6. The EDB continuously uploads and updates National Education-related teachers' professional development programmes, students' activities, learning and teaching resources and examples for "National Education - Event Planning Calendar", etc. on "National Education One-stop Portal". Please visit http://www.edb.gov.hk/en/neosp/ to obtain latest information. "Commemoration



Day for the Promulgation of the Basic Law" and "Ching Ming Festival" on 4 April and "National Security Education Day" on 15 April are key dates in April.







- 7. In order to plan and promote national education in a holistic and systematic manner, schools should arrange teaching of related subjects and appropriate school-based national education learning activities outside the classroom, such as organising project learning activities and various competitions on "Commemoration Day for the Promulgation of the Basic Law" on 4 April and "National Security Education Day" on 15 April or the school day before or after the days and arranging students to read literary pieces about the Ching Ming Festival to enable they understand the meaning of "paying careful attention to the funeral rites of parents and showing reverence for ancestors" by adopting the approaches of "organic integration", "natural connection", "diversified strategies", "mutual co-ordination", "learning within and beyond the classroom", and "whole-school participation". Schools may also encourage students with the saying "A year's plan lies in spring, a life's plan lies in diligence" during the spring months in March and April.
- 8. Apart from the above webpages and online resource platforms, Curriculum Development Institute has developed other learning and teaching resource webpages and platforms. Relevant hyperlinks can be obtained from the EDB "Learning and Teaching Resources Lists" for teachers' perusal. For details, please refer to Annex 10.
- 9. Schools should conduct a regular review of the content and quality of the learning and teaching resources (including printed and electronic library collections and other reading and curriculum materials for students) of individual Key Learning Areas (KLAs) and cross-curricular subjects in the school in order to ensure that the learning and teaching resources are aligned with the curriculum aims and learning objectives, contain content and information that are accurate, complete, objective and impartial, and emphasise the development of positive values, attitudes, and behaviours among students.

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10. Enquiries may be directed to the respective **contact person** as listed in the respective Annexes.

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c.c. Heads of Sections – for information

Primary Humanities Learning and Teaching Resources "Little Seedling Tells You" Series (National Geography, Chinese History), Learning and Teaching Tips in Primary Humanities: Enquiry Learning, I am growing up, My Home Country, Overview of Primary Humanities Learning Foci (Chinese version only)

Purpose

This is to inform primary school heads about the captioned learning and teaching resources.

Details

2. To facilitate schools in preparation for the implementation of Primary Humanities, the EDB continuously provides diversified learning and teaching resources. The newly developed resources are as follows:

a.	 "Little Seedling Tells You" Series Posters National Geography: famous world heritage of our country Chinese History: "Who Knows Me Best?" Chinese historical figures quiz 			
	Students are encouraged to learn to appreciate our country's historic monuments and historical development, so as to build their cultural confidence.			
b.	Learning and Teaching Tips in Primary Humanities: Enquiry Learning			
c .	"I am growing up": Planning a balanced daily schedule			
d.	"My Home Country": Observing the etiquette when attending a national flag raising ceremony and when the national anthem is being played and sung			

- 3. Teachers can make use of the above learning and teaching resources to flexibly design learning activities or arrange students for self-learning or pre-lesson preparation. The above resources are applicable to current General Studies and Primary Humanities to be implemented.
- 4. The EDB has also developed the "Overview of Primary Humanities Learning Foci" for the Primary Humanities Curriculum Framework (Provisional Draft) promulgated on 23 November 2023. The overview lists the learning and enquiry foci, as well as the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes covered for each year level. It assists teachers in interpreting the new curriculum, enabling them to effectively grasp and plan the learning and teaching of Primary



Humanities for systematic and comprehensive curriculum planning. The captioned resources have been uploaded to the EDB webpage (https://www.edb.gov.hk/ph/resource) for teachers' reference and use.

Contact Person

5. For enquiries, please contact Ms Angela HUI of the Kindergarten and Primary Section, Curriculum Development Institute, Education Bureau on 2892 5841.











