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To: Heads of Primary and Secondary Schools

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'eRead Scheme' by Hong Kong Education City

Summary

The purpose of this circular memorandum is to inform heads of primary and secondary schools of the 'eRead Scheme' and relevant activities provided by Hong Kong Education City (HKEdCity) and invite

participation of schools.

Details

2. To promote reading using information technology with minimal administrative work, HKEdCity has been providing schools with subscription service to a wide range of English and Chinese e-books from local

and overseas publishers through the 'eRead Scheme'. Schools can subscribe to the free and paid e-books

available at the EdBookShelf through different packages for their students according to their school-based

needs. The service for the 2019/20 school year is now available for subscription. For details, please refer

to the webpage at https://www.hkedcity.net/ereadscheme.

3. HKEdCity has been organising various reading activities for students every year, including 'Reading

Contract', 'Reading Challenge' and 'Top Ten Book Picks' to promote reading culture among schools. For

details, please refer to the webpage at https://www.hkreadingcity.net.

4. Besides, to support teachers and teacher-librarians in developing students' skills and motivation in

e-reading, the Education Bureau (EDB) will continue to organise relevant professional development

programmes in the 2019/20 school year. For details, please refer to the webpage of EDB at

https://www.edb.gov.hk/itepdp.

Enquiries

5. For enquiries about 'eRead Scheme' and relevant activities, please contact HKEdCity at 2624 1000

or by email at info@hkedcity.net. For enquiry about professional development programmes, please

contact Mr Thomas NG at 3698 3610 of the Information Technology in Education Section.

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