Grant Schools Provident Fund Financial Bulletin for the Quarter Ended 31 May 2020

Key Financial Data

		Quarter ended 31.5.2020	Quarter ended 29.2.2020
Contributors' Account (HK\$ million)	(a)	3,330	3,284
Net Assets (HK\$ million)	(b)	3,768	3,773
Asset cover (%)	(b) / (a) * 100	113.1	114.9

Market Commentaries

- Global central banks and governments enacted extraordinary monetary and fiscal stimulus measures to contain the downside risk of the economy due to COVID-19. The US Federal Reserve reduced interest rates to near zero, launched "unlimited" quantitative easing and provided massive loans to support the economy. After experiencing large falls in March 2020, the global equity markets stabilised.
- As the spread of COVID-19 intensified risk-off market sentiment, the US 10-year Government bond yield decreased from around 1.1% by end of February 2020 to around 0.7% by end of May 2020.
- For the quarter ended 31 May 2020, the Hang Seng index decreased by about 12.1% from 26,130 as at end of February 2020 to 22,961 by end of May 2020, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average Index decreased by about 0.1% from 25,409 to 25,383 during the same period.

Changes of Key Market Indicators In Percentage

	Currency (Change vs. HKD)	Equity (in original currency)	Bond (in original currency)
Hong Kong	N/A	-12.13	+0.70
USA	-0.54	+3.05	+3.30
Canada	-3.41	-6.58	+3.16
UK	-3.73	-7.66	+5.17
Germany	+0.72	-2.55	-1.51
Japan	-0.42	+3.48	-2.15
Australia	+2.40	-9.82	-0.09
Mainland China	-2.73	-0.97	N/A

Major Investment Activities During The Quarter

Hong Kong equities	Maintained
Hong Kong debt securities	Maintained
Overseas equities	Maintained
Overseas debt securities	Maintained
Cash and net accounts receivable	Maintained

Net Asset Allocation In Value

	31.5.2020 (HK\$ million)	29.2.2020 <u>(HK\$ million)</u>
Hong Kong equities (HKE)	606	667
Hong Kong debt securities (HKDS)	496	497
Overseas equities (OE)	1,301	1,306
Overseas debt securities (ODS)	686	711
Cash and net accounts receivable (CH/NAR)	679	592
	3,768	3,773

Net Asset Allocation In Percentage

