# Grant Schools Provident Fund <br> Financial Bulletin for the Quarter Ended 31 August 2018 

Key Financial Data

|  | Quarter ended <br> $\underline{31.8 .2018}$ | Quarter ended <br> $\underline{31.5 .2018}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contributors' Account (HK\$ million) | (a) | 3,090 | 3,048 |
| Net Assets (HK\$ million) | (b) | 3,786 | 3,744 |
| Asset cover (\%) | (b) / (a) * 100 | 122.5 | 122.8 |

## Market Commentaries

- The US Federal Reserve raised interest rate by $0.25 \%$ in June 2018, in line with the market expectation.
- For the quarter ended 31 August 2018, the Hong Kong stock market was affected by the trade tension between the US and China. The Hang Seng index decreased by about 8.5\% from 30,468 as at end of May 2018 to 27,888 by end of August 2018. However, the US stock market remained positive, and the Dow Jones Industrial Average Index increased by about 6.3\% from 24,415 to 25,964 during the same period.
- During the quarter, the accelerated trade tension between the US and China also exerted pressure on the currency exchange rate of Renminbi, though it gradually stabilised afterwards.


## Changes of Key Market Indicators In Percentage

|  | Currency <br> (Change vs. HKD) | Equity <br> (in original currency) | Bond <br> (in original currency) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hong Kong | -8.47 | +0.33 |  |
| USA | +0.06 | +7.25 | +0.35 |
| Canada | -0.46 | +1.25 | +0.35 |
| UK | -2.26 | -3.20 | -0.85 |
| Germany | -0.26 | -1.91 | +0.19 |
| Japan | -1.96 | +2.99 | -0.86 |
| Australia | -4.36 | +4.97 | +1.64 |
| Mainland China | -6.78 | -11.96 | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |

## 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

31.8.2018
(HK\$ million)

677

539

1,312

600
658


## Net Asset Allocation In Percentage



