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Dear Supervisor, Principal and Teachers,

**Keep School Clean and Join hands to Prevent Pandemic**

Hong Kong has been on high alert to fight against the human swine influenza. I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to you and your staff for your tireless efforts and dedicated cooperation in taking swift actions to step up precautionary measures in school.

Our Bureau has been working closely with the Department of Health, and maintaining close liaison with all schools to keep them abreast of updated information and guidelines. I am pleased to learn that you and all our other schools have put in place appropriate measures to keep your campuses clean and to strengthen students' awareness on personal hygiene. I am also grateful to see that you have issued letters to remind parents to heighten their attention of their children's health condition.

Although there is no sign of spread of the disease for the time being, we must not lose vigilance and must sustain the prevention work. May I appeal to all of you to continue with the precautionary measures already in place, and join our "Clean School Campaign" in support of the "Clean Hong Kong Campaign" launched by the Government.

Apart from keeping your school campuses clean, we should not lose sight of household hygiene in protecting student health. We urge you to remind parents again to attend to their children's personal hygiene and to keep their homes clean. I believe parents' support and participation is vital to effective prevention.

We will provide an additional one-off grant to all schools to subsidize their expenses on influenza pandemic prevention work. Each school will be provided with \$3,000 and details about the disbursement will be announced next week.

I appeal to your continued support to keep our schools clean and to prevent the spread of human swine influenza. Please convey my gratitude and appreciation to every staff working in your school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Suen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

(Michael M. Y. Suen)  
Secretary for Education