



YIO CHU KANG SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Keeping Our Students and Staff Safe

Yesterday, on 29 January 2020, we successfully opened the school after the welcomed, long Chinese New Year celebrations. Thank you parents for your understanding and wisdom in guiding your children in this uncertain period related to the outbreak of the 2019-nCoV in Mainland China.

There are several layers of precautionary measures we have put in place to safeguard the welfare of our students and staff so that learning can carry on meaningfully. Some of these measures include **Daily Temperature Taking** for staff and students, and **Leave of Absence (LOA)** for students and school staff with travel history to Mainland China with **home-based learning** organised for such students. To date, we have only one student placed on LOA and his well-being is monitored daily. We are grateful for all the understanding and support shown so far for such measures.

We are very appreciative of the cooperation of all staff and students, and together our daily temperature exercise is being carried out smoothly. We have also observed students exercising personal responsibility for their health and hygiene, and consciously looking out for others.

In the next few days, our teachers will be playing an active role in helping our students to understand that their individual actions and practice of social responsibility can help to keep the community safe. This includes being wary of misinformation and fake news. Every student has a part to play in practising good personal hygiene, and keeping our classrooms and school compound clean, to prevent a community spread. We will also be encouraging all our students to stay calm and resilient as circumstances continue to change. This is a good time to exercise the school's GROWTH Values of Gratitude, Respect, Optimism, Wholeheartedness, Teamwork and Honesty. Our staff and students will also find different ways to demonstrate the 2020 school theme, *Courage to Lead*.

We are encouraging everyone to look out for one another, and continue to practice personal hygiene. Do stay well with sufficient rest, exercise and hydration. Together, with vigilance and care for one another, we will all do our best to keep our school, our staff and our students safe. Do keep in touch with us through the many communication channels including Parents Gateway, and check in to our Facebook and Instagram streams for updates when they arise.

We look forward to your continued partnership in support of your child's / ward's education. If you have concerns or need for clarifications, please contact any one of the following Year Heads.

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Yours faithfully,

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