

## **St. Paul's College**

### **Stepping Up Anti-infection Measures for Class Resumption**

In response to the first phase of class resumption on 16<sup>th</sup> September announced by the Education Bureau (EDB), we have stepped up our precautionary measures to safeguard the health and wellbeing of students and staff members. Adequate preventative measures have been implemented during class suspension and before school resumption so that the whole campus is thoroughly cleaned and disinfected. A massive scale of coating service using Germagic Thyme has been completed to protect the health of students and staff members. It is a certified disinfectant which can eliminate coronavirus on any surfaces up to 90 days. Other essential anti-infection arrangements will also be made to ensure that students can learn in a safe and healthy environment.

#### **A) Class Resumption Preparations**

1. During the class suspension period, the cleaning of air conditioners, water tanks, drinking water dispensers, drainage and pipes has been carried out by professional companies.
2. Classrooms, corridors, washrooms, staffrooms, lifts, the tuck shop, the library and all public areas have been thoroughly cleaned, disinfected and coated by with Germagic Thyme.
3. Over 50 alcohol dispensers have been installed at various locations so that students and staff members can clean their hands conveniently.
4. Spray machines and certified disinfectants are readily available for janitorial staff to sterilize classrooms every day.
5. Classrooms and staffrooms are equipped with one or two air purifiers which provide extra protection for students and staff members.
6. Face masks for staff and students are adequate in case spares are needed.
7. Surfaces with frequent contact such as door handles, water closets, vending machines and handrails will be cleaned with disinfectants daily.
8. Educational videos, posters and signage have been prepared so that students will be reminded of hygiene routines and reduce the risk of infection.

## **B) Essential Anti-infection Arrangements**

1. All people entering the school premises have to wear a mask, step on disinfectant mats, use hand sanitizers, and have their body temperature checked. Students who may have a fever ( $\geq 37.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  by an oral thermometer or  $\geq 38.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  by a handheld / ear thermometer) will not be allowed to enter the College. Their parents/guardians will be contacted by phone before the students can return home or seek medical assistance.
2. The school timetable has been slightly adjusted so that students can have longer recesses (20 minutes each) and leave school earlier at 1.05 p.m. The adjustment will ease the management of crowd control at the tuck shop and washrooms during the recess. Ending school earlier can let students go home for lunch.
3. Indoor ventilation will be enhanced by opening windows or doors. Air quality will be monitored regularly and air purifiers will be turned on.
4. Indoor social distance will be maximized by aligning seats in single file. These include the school hall, the library, classrooms and special rooms.
5. Drinking fountains will be temporarily turned off.
6. All extracurricular activities and afterschool tutorials will be suspended until further notice. Students should go home immediately afterschool.
7. Classrooms of smaller sizes will not be used. Relocations will be arranged to maximize the social distance.
8. The tuck shop service provider will strictly follow the re-opening guidelines to minimize the risk of viral infection and food contamination. Our service provider will also deploy extra staff to operate the tuck shop when school resumes.
9. During the recess, there will be more food-selling locations, including the self-service kiosks at the Podium. These unmanned kiosks rely on an honour system. We have trust in our students and they will pay before taking an item.

## **C) Building New Routines**

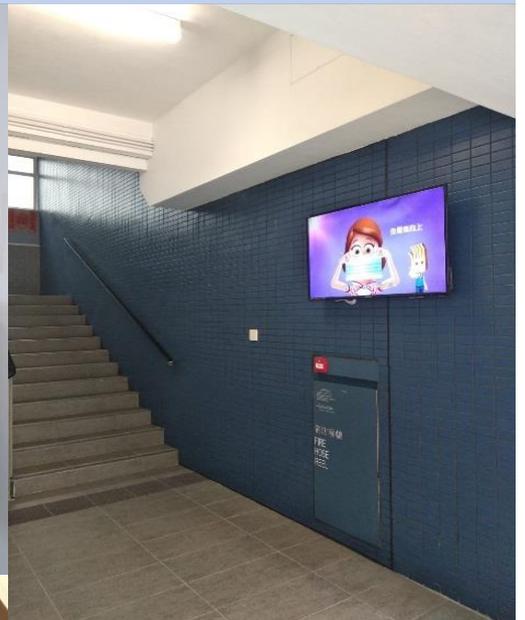
1. **Body Temperature Check**
  - check body temperature at home every morning including holidays and fill in the revised temperature record sheet before leaving home;
  - stay home and seek medical assistance if you feel unwell or have a fever ( $\geq 37.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  by an oral thermometer or  $\geq 38.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  by a handheld / ear thermometer);
  - step onto the disinfectant carpet at the school entrance to clean your shoes;
  - use the automatic alcohol dispenser to clean your hands and queue up patiently to have your body temperature checked.
2. **Use of Masks**
  - wear a face mask at all times and bring a few spare masks;
  - dispose of soiled masks or tissue paper properly in a lidded rubbish bin;
  - if you have to take off the mask, please put it in a case;
  - spare masks are obtainable from the College Office.
3. **Hand Hygiene**
  - wash hands properly with liquid soap and water for 20 seconds;
  - avoid touching shared items such as stationery, books, water taps, vending machines etc.
  - use a hand sanitizer more often.
4. **Social Distancing**
  - maintain social distance and avoid close contact with others;
  - avoid staying in crowded places;
  - no ball games or physical contact;
5. **Be Vigilant and Be Healthy**
  - bring a bottle of water to school and avoid using drinking fountains;
  - bring some snacks to school or use vending machines to avoid gathering at the tuck shop during the recess;
  - use Octopus instead of cash;
  - close the toilet lid before you flush;
  - clean your desk and drawer every day;
  - avoid dining out;
  - maintain a balanced diet, exercise regularly and take adequate rest;

Our student support team including teachers, the student counsellor, social workers and educational psychologists will work together to give students and parents the best support. Some students may be a bit emotional or unorganized after a long period of class suspension. We hope that parents and teachers will work closely together to help students rebuild their daily routines.

# CAMPUS PREPARATIONS



Campus Video



Spraying Disinfectants



Camous Posters



Body Temperature Checking Station



Automatic Alcohol Dispenser

# ANTI-INFECTION MEASURES



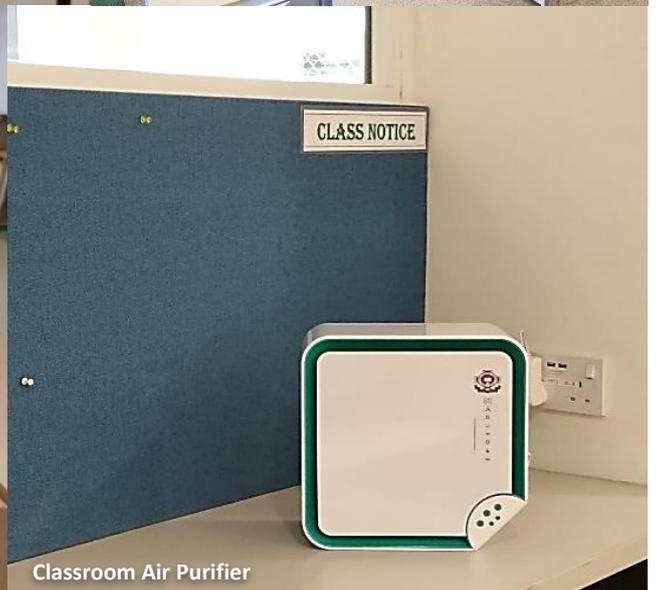
Maximising Social Distance –Hall & Library Setting



Maximising Social Distance – Classroom Setting



Spray Machines

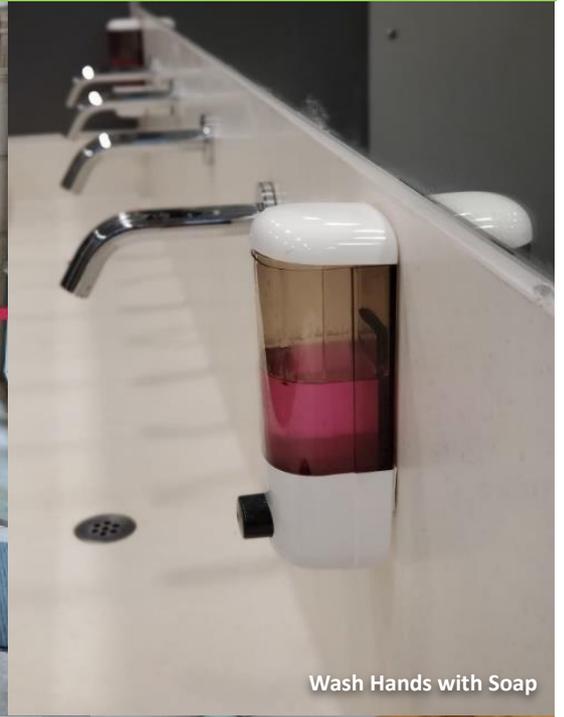


Classroom Air Purifier

# BUILD NEW ROUTINES



Daily Body Temperature Check



Wash Hands with Soap



Germagic Thyme Coating



Thermal Detector



Bring some snacks or use vending machines



Classroom Cleaning Kit